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**Health & Human Services Committee**

Monday April 15, 2013 6:30pm

**Present:** Christina Curry, Donna Gill, Diane Henderson, Jennifer Jones, Cicely Harris, Stephen Watkins, Deborah Yates **Board:** Tamara Martin

**Excused:** Chair Hazel Dukes

**Absent:** Ibrahima Diafoune, Cheryl Smith

**Community Guests:**

Katherine Nickson, Community Activist  
Health Center

Valerie Wright, Harlem Hospital

Yvonne Watson, Tenant Association

Shana Melius, Preserve Our Legacy  
the Aging

V. Vann, Community Resident  
Aging

Diana Halperin, Ryan Adair Community

Dr. Cheryl DelBridg, Touro College

Theodora Kennedy, Nation of Islam

Carolina Villanueva, Brookdale Center for

Ashley Faustin, Brookdale Center for the

The April 2013 Health & Human Services Committee meeting opened with an introduction of all committee members and visitors.

**Brookdale Center for the Aging**

Ms. Villaneuva and Ms. Faustin came before the committee to notify the board of the services available for east and central Harlem. The associates focus on research, training and advocacy including adult protective services. Caseworkers are on staff for professional development. The program, in partnership with Hunter College, also supports an Article 81 (law guidance) certificate program. Representatives will be scheduled for the May or June general board meeting.

**Ryan Adair Community Health Center**

Ms. Halperin came before the committee to share that services at the Ryan Adair located at 124th and Manhattan Avenue have expanded as her colleague first informed in Nov 2012. A grant funded by the Fan Fox Leslie Samuels Foundation has allowed for the initiation of the 'Golden Care' geriatric program. It provides a full time social worker to provide crisis

intervention and social services. Each Tuesday a geriatrician is on staff joining the daily 4-6 providers servicing the current 500 geriatric patients in the practice.

### **Preserve Our Legacy**

Preserve Our Legacy's mission is to inform and educate all individuals, especially the ethnically diverse communities, about the benefits of adult stem cells and treatment options they provide via peripheral blood stem cells (PBSC), bone marrow and/or umbilical cord blood donation. They provide two Umbilical Cord Blood Programs. The public program is geared to expectant mothers who wish to donate umbilical cord blood. The private program provides new mothers the ability to store their baby's cord blood for their own personal use. The organization has a fundraiser on May 1<sup>st</sup>, "Spare Cells Saves Lives Networking Fundraiser"  
<http://preserveourlegacy.org/spare-cells-saves-lives-networking-fundraiser/>

### **Grant Opportunities:**

The committee had a brief discussion about the possibility of researching grant opportunities that may be beneficial to the Central Harlem community. Ms. Harris shared some information she's gained about the PEP Program through her works with a community service organization. PEP (Post Exposure Prophylaxis) programs are operating out of the St. Luke's and Roosevelt Hospitals. Ms. Wright of Harem Hospital agreed to assist with introducing the idea to the Hospital and appropriate administrators.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- **WHCR, 90.3 FM** City College radio station airs 'Healthy Harlem' program every Thursday 7pm
- **Harlem Hospital** is participating in multiple Heath Walks, flyers placed in the office and posted on Facebook. It is also holding a hosting a blood drive May 9<sup>th</sup> 12-6pm
- **Touro College** hosting Annual Health Fair being held April 19<sup>th</sup>, flyers were shared, posted on Facebook in addition to an e-blast to the CB 10 community email list

### **Community Advisory Board Updates:**

- Harlem Hospital/Renaissance CABs will host public breakfast in May 2013
- Metropolitan Hospital will host a Mental Health forum in June 2013

Meeting Adjourned 7:45pm

**\*\*\* NEXT MEETING: Monday May 20<sup>th</sup> 6:30pm \*\*\***

