NYAPRS Cultural Competence Committee Minutes
February 10, 2015

Present: Tara Davis, Malika Mohamedi, Magaly Polo, Briana Gilmore, Vernell Robinson, Leonora Reid-Rose, Harvey Rosenthal, Teena Brooks, Bonnie Feldman, William Daniels, Carole Siegel, Theresa Hall

Minutes transcribed by: Tara Davis

Meeting called to order at 12:07 PM by Harvey Rosenthal as Committee Chair had not yet joined

1. **Update on Events:** Harvey shared information about plans for Annual Conference including proposed speakers, entertainment, etc. A question was raised about whether the Diversity Bash/Fashion show would be included again and Harvey confirmed that it would. It is hoped Dr. Wilcox may be able to present at the Conference. Harvey announced the upcoming Executive Seminar would focus on the transition to Managed Care.
   NYAPRS expects to have a large turnout for Legislative Day. Theresa encouraged people to advertise this via her “Recruit 20” campaign. Briana clarified some of the logistics of the day, and will send the bus flyer and updated policy points to committee members.

2. **CC Role in Managed Care Advocacy:** Briana revised the comments that were submitted to the Medicaid Director to include Cultural Competency in the draft of the Value-Based Payment Roadmap. Carole stated that a major point is that value is emphasized over volume, and that cultural competence is a major component of quality care. It was noted that cultural competency must start with the MCOs and trickle down to providers, but it is important to be specific about what that means. The follow up will be to meet with the Medicaid Director and advocate for changes. She encouraged members to call the office if anyone needs assistance in promoting the event.

3. **NYC Peer Specialist Conference:** The committee submitted two proposals and one was accepted. Teena stated she would follow up with Theresa after the call to offer some clarification around the conference.

4. **CCC Webinar Series:** A subcommittee has been formed and Luis sent Theresa some points to review. All the presenters will have equal billing. The NYAPRS webinar platform will be used. The subcommittee has a planning meeting scheduled for tomorrow, 2/11.

5. **Met with Dr. Wilcox last month:** The committee is focusing on the WMR model. Would like to invite her to the Annual Conference.

Discussion Topics:
1. None