

Response to Questions on the FY 2016 Budget

Request By: Supervisor Gross

Question: Please provide additional information on the proposed closing of the Annandale Adult Day Health Care Program site.

Response: Over the last four years in spite of demographic increases in the aging population and concerted efforts to market the Adult Day Health Care (ADHC) Program, the Health Department has experienced a decline in the average daily attendance from 138 in FY 2010 to 96 in FY 2014. The steady decrease in enrollment has also resulted in a decrease in revenue. It is believed that, in part, this is due to the proliferation of Long Term Care options available to residents in the County (e.g., Program for All Inclusive Care of the Elderly [PACE], Assisted Living Facilities with Memory Units, Home Care Agencies and new ADHC Centers). While the increase in options has created more opportunities for some County residents, those with limited resources still rely heavily on the County ADHC services because they are provided on a sliding fee scale.

The Annandale ADHC site has an average daily attendance of 24 participants. If the Annandale ADHC site is closed, the Health Department has the capacity to provide services at the remaining four ADHC sites. It is anticipated that many of the participants will move to the Lincolnia ADHC site as it is only five miles away and will be newly renovated. The Lincolnia ADHC site currently has the capacity to serve an additional 16 participants per day; therefore, 16 (or two-thirds) of the participants at the Annandale ADHC site can be served at the Lincolnia ADHC site. If more than 16 participants from the Annandale ADHC site wish to attend the Lincolnia ADHC site, staff is looking to implement a waitlist and will move participants off the wait list once a slot is available. This will not preclude a participant from attending another ADHC site while he/she waits for a slot at the Lincolnia ADHC site. If the Board wishes to accommodate all 24 participants currently attending the Annandale ADHC site at the Lincolnia ADHC site, 1/1.0 FTE position and \$66,805 could be restored from the ADHC Annandale reduction. This position would be redeployed to the Lincolnia ADHC site and will increase capacity so that all to Annandale ADHC participants can be accommodated at the Lincolnia ADHC site.

Additionally, the Health Department is working with the Department of Neighborhood and Community Services to conduct a comprehensive transportation review of all ADHC participants. Based on this review a plan will be developed to maximize the County's transportation resources while maintaining an acceptable program site for all participants and their families.

The Lincolnia senior site is undergoing a renovation which will require relocation of the ADHC program to another space until July 15, 2015. This will temporarily limit the number of participants who can be served at the Lincolnia ADHC site; however, since this reduction will not be implemented until July 1, 2015, it is not anticipated that this should significantly impact service delivery. There will be capacity within the remaining four ADHC sites to serve the Annandale ADHC participants and/or the Annandale ADHC site could remain open until July 15, 2015.