

Moveable Feast Responses
Questions from June 17, 2014 Data Panel to Planning Council

1. How many clients of the 102 person long waiting list are Ryan White clients?**[Tom Bondarenko]** ALL 122 are receiving Ryan White services from other Ryan White providers and referred to us by Ryan White service providers. At the end of each RW fiscal year, when M Feast accepts reprogramming monies, we are able to eliminate the wait list for the last 3 months of the fiscal year. On March 1, when the new grant is effective, and has usually been decreased from the previous funding year, clients previously served are removed from service and placed on a wait list, as well as any new referrals.
2. In 2015, the recommendation is to collapse Ryan White Part D into Part C, as both parts serve the same, or similar, populations. What would this change do to increase or decrease access to care and services?**[Tom Bondarenko]** It may have no direct impact on Home Delivered Meals. The impact comes in the funding level.
3. How many clients living with HIV are aging (50+) or have co-morbid conditions?**[Tom Bondarenko]** in 2013, 215 clients were 50+yrs; all living with comorbidities.
4. Is there any way for the food bank/home-delivered meals application to be shortened? The length is a barrier.**[Tom Bondarenko]** The application reflects all the conditions and qualifications required by the Ryan White Care Act and HRSA. M Feast does not dictate the application that we use for Ryan White Services. (N.B. – M Feast application for non Ryan White Clients is one page).
5. Do you provide education presentations for providers on the importance of referring clients to a nutritionist?**[Tom Bondarenko]**
We do, but it is not part of our Ryan White contact. We do this because we believe in the importance of educating health providers about the importance of good nutrition. Please call Laura Saunders at M Feast if you are interested in having a presentation.

6. Are you finding more older patients needing your services? How are you addressing the aging HIV population?*[Tom Bonderenko]*

Our increase in request for services is actually from a younger population, AA men ages 22-35. That said, about 10 % of the individuals we serve are age 50+. We serve all clients the same, regardless of age, though we tailor our information to make it age appropriate. Obviously an older population may have more health related issues, more co morbidities, and our Dietitians provide nutrition to them as appropriate for their current state.