DON'TS FOR PLANNING COUNCILMEMBERS

- Don't become involved in procurement
- Don't violate—or ignore violation of—Council policies
- Don't focus on individual provider issues—think about service categories
- Don't focus on individual PLWHA needs (not even your own)—focus on the needs of all PLWHA
- Don't make or be swayed by impassioned pleas—focus on the data
- Don't take disagreements personally

IMPORTANT TAKEAWAY

- Planning Council has clearly defined legislative responsibilities
- Planning Council decisions must be data- driven, using the best available data
- Responsibilities are interrelated—emphasizing the importance of committee work
- Many functions are best done in collaboration with the Grantee