



## AHFE Health Workgroup Minutes

DATE: March 15, 2017

TIME: 9:00 AM – 10:30 AM

LOCATION: Lincoln Building  
Pine Conference Room  
421 SW Oak Street  
Portland OR 97204

ATTENDEES: Bill Baney, Andrew Brown, Monique Carter, Sam Chase, Ryan Deibert, Erin Fisher, Drew Grabham, Janet Hamilton, Amelia Harati, Liv Jenssen, Zainab Kamara, Janet McManus, Joanne Miesen, Sarah Radcliffe, Emmy Ritter, Amanda Saul, Claudia Schroeder, Dana Schultz, Bill Toepper, Becky Wilkinson.

### MEETING DISCUSSION

- Member Updates
  - Ryan Deibert, Joint Office of Homeless Services (JOHS), provided the history on A Home for Everyone (AHFE):
    - Broad base, community lead process that formed 2-1/2 years ago
    - Primary goal is to reduce homelessness and evaluate the intersection between health and housing through the engagement of the Executive Committee, Coordinating Board and several subcommittees
    - The workgroups create strategies which are presented to the Boards to help formulate goals
  - Amanda Saul, Enterprise Community Partners, shared part of a presentation from the recent Executive Board meeting. The presentation was given by representatives from Corporation for Supportive Housing (CSH) and included current AHFE commitments.
    - \$300K to leverage new Self Enhancement Inc (SEI)/Urban League HUD PSH project (50 HH)
    - \$150K to leverage CCC's HUD PSH project (54 HH)
    - \$875K for 50 PSH placements (staff and rental assistance) – Unity Center
    - \$314K for 30 PSH placements (staff and rental assistance) - Family & DV
    - \$1.4M for mobile team to provide services to PSH units (90 HH over 18-months); will connect to an estimated 90 units of new and/or repurposed City-regulated units to be designated as PSH
    - \$400K to fund coordinated access (expansion to all CoC-funded PSH)
    - PHB's last notice of funding availability (NOFA) included a 5% mandatory PSH set-aside with extra points for providing additional PSH units.
    - PSH for Multnomah County is 1,712 units for \$330,000.000
    - City and County each budgeted \$1.6M for Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) with goal to place 190 HH
  - Reviewed System Programs/Programs
    - Coordinated Access System is a mechanism, which matches people with appropriate housing and support resources. According to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) this mechanism must be used as a standard assessment.
    - Homeless Youth System – long standing, established
    - Family System – 2 years old

- Domestic Violence System – 1/12 years old, very specific assessment
- Permanent Support for Adults – should be underway by Spring 2017; will include a mobile assessment team led by Transition Projects (TPI) and 4 full time employees
- Andrew Brown, Home Forward, shared the objectives of a newly formed workgroup, Healthcare Navigation Workgroup.
  - Analyze how clients are being routed through Medicare and Medicaid as well as create a better understanding of how these two systems work
  - Create a system that links the client to a coordinator who could navigate them to the correct systems and provide education on healthcare benefits
    - Clients are not utilizing or renewing their healthcare benefits due to being unsuccessful; prompts them to give up
- Workgroup Action Plan Review
  - Action Plan items 1-8 were reviewed with a request to provide updates or changes.
    - 1: No updates to report
    - 2: Andrew Brown confirmed Home Forward is involved
    - 3: New workgroup has been formed and officially named the Healthcare Navigation Workgroup
    - 4: Erin Fisher shared care has been expanded; group agreed that barriers occur during the patient screening process
    - 5: The Mobile Access Team is participating; no workgroup assigned but Cascadia may have news to share
    - 6 and 7: Group agreed the wording needs to be changed on both these action items
    - 8: Discussions ensued on how to inquire about the clients housing status without being evasive or adding too much time to the screening process; steps have not been confirmed for how to guide client if they do confirm they are experiencing homelessness
      - Questions should take place during triage
      - How effective are the \$5.00 vouchers; no way to track usage
      - Ryan Deibert to reach out to someone regarding the screening process in the hopes they could attend the next meeting
  - Action Plan items 9-14 will be discussed at the next meeting. Discussions will continue regarding prioritization.

## ACTION ITEMS

ITEM	ASSIGNED
1. Connect with Bill Toepper on mental health for youth	Ryan Deibert
2. Confirm screening process subject matter expert attendance at next meeting.	Ryan Deibert
3. Review Action Plan Items 9-14	All

## NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, April 19, 2017  
9:00am – 10:30am  
Lincoln Building, 421 SW Oak Street  
Oak Conference Room