



## Health Workgroup Minutes

DATE: Wednesday, August 16, 2017

TIME: 9:00 AM – 10:30 AM

LOCATION: Lincoln Building  
Pine Conference Room  
1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Pine Conference Room  
421 SW Oak Street  
Portland, OR 97204

ATTENDEES: Andrew Brown, Sam Chase, Kendra Castaldo, Ryan Deibert, Pam Hester, Liv Jenssen, Sam Kaan, Jan McMann, Amanda Saul, Claudia Schroder, Danny Stribling, Emily Volpert, Jenny White.

### MEETING DISCUSSION

- Welcome and Introductions
  - Liv Jenssen led the group through introductions.
    - Danny Stribling, Community Outreach Specialist at the Taft Home, gave an update about the Taft Home. They have open beds at the Taft Home. Please contact Danny with any pertinent information.
    - Ryan Deibert from the Joint Office of Homeless Services provided an update on the county procurement process, which should be posted in two weeks. This will be posted broadly and will be sent to this group as well. There has been a series of discussions and surveys regarding current gaps.
    - Mike Savara from Central City Concern gave an update on Bud Clark Commons case management services.
    - Kendra Castaldo from Cascade Aids Project spoke about job openings at Cascade Aids Project.
    - Home Forward will be releasing a Request for Proposals (RFP) for an elderly home care coordination program, which has sustainable funding. They're looking for folks who have infrastructure and some expertise in working with older populations.
    - Planning for severe weather shelters for winter 2017/2018.
- Sub-Workgroup Updates and Next Steps
  - Data Sub-Workgroup
    - Sam Kaan, Liv Jenssen and Sam Chase met to discuss the data collection and the intent of the workgroup. They are aiming to support the workgroup to develop better situational awareness about existing sources of data and developments with monitoring and assessment efforts connecting homelessness, healthcare, human services, and public health so that the workgroup can access and contribute to these efforts.
    - Sam talked about a variety of opportunities for education in data sharing processes
      - Multnomah County Health Department (MCHD) client mobility and burden of disease (Jason Thompson to come back in September or October to update the workgroup)
      - Oregon Health Authority-Department of Human Services (DHS) database integrating Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), Supplemental Nutrition

- Assistance Program (SNAP), Medicaid (and at some point, Homelessness Management Information Systems (HMIS))
- MCHD data-sharing with HMIS (Ryan working with Paul Lewis, MCHD Health Officer; County Legal reviewing scenarios)
- Accountable Health Communities research led out of OHSU as an assessment opportunity in health systems and clinics (Sam talking to Janet Hamilton)
- Coordinated Access strategy (we have several experts on the workgroup)
- Disability Rights Oregon (DRO) hospital discharge efforts (recommendation to invite someone from DRO to talk about their efforts - Ryan and Amanda to discuss?)
- Frequent Users System Engagement (FUSE), Corporation for Supportive Housing (CSH) model (Ryan involved with grant proposal to Meyer Memorial Trust due next month; Year 1 set up data-sharing and Year 2 identify priority people and link to housing)
- Reliance Health Information Exchange (Janet Hamilton has knowledge of this)
- MCHD social determinants screening in clinics (Sam learning more)
- Multnomah County Service Coordination Portal (Sam can update the group as this develops)
- Sam asked the group for what information would be useful.
- How do we do better data sharing between HMIS and public health organizations?
- We first have to identify what are the most useful data sources.
- Nine rural counties in Oregon funded to do social determinant screening on Medicaid and Medicare beneficiaries. 75,000 people will be screened. This is from a federal grant. If they could find additional funding for the Portland Metro area, with additional intervention work, it could be very impactful for the data collection and for the health of the community.
- The group discussed the Reliance Health Information Exchange
- How is this data going to help us increase linkages between health and housing?
- The Policy Sub-Workgroup has not met since the last meeting
- Services Sub-Workgroup Update
  - Liv Jensen and Erin Fisher discussed the AHFE Health Workgroup Support and Mental Health Services and Clinics proposal handout. Liv pointed out the importance of the [www.chcs.org](http://www.chcs.org) website and the 100 million Healthier Lives Initiative.
  - Erin led the group through the handout and discussed the lack of nursing care in the community right now, and possible education and connection opportunities for those folks.
  - Sam Kaan asked about a sustainability platform for this type of program, and validated measures for
  - Jenny White pointed out the Center for Healthcare Strategies website for an example of good return on investments
- Brainstorm: Ideas for Presenters at Future Meetings
  - Should we have someone come in from Oregon On?
  - The group discussed holding a meeting and asking Permanent Supportive Housing providers to come in and talk about the gaps that they have
    - How do we define “permanent supportive housing”?
      - How do we advocate for resources for Permanent Supportive Housing?
      - There will be a fishbowl discussion
      - Sam Kaan proposed the question: What do people who are moving into permanent supportive housing need to be successful?

- Remember: Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) Summit coming up on September 14, 2017. Formal invitations will be sent when the location is finalized.
- Ryan Deibert explained the Executive Committee asked for a planning charge for Chronic Homelessness. How are we meeting their needs or not meeting their needs? The A Home For Everyone (AHFE) workgroups have been brainstorming through Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats (SWOT) analysis on ability to respond to the needs of chronically homeless folks.
- Central City Concern (CCC) is doing a survey of folks who are in their services.
- We could hold a Coordinated Access systems panel to address levels of vulnerability
- We could welcome a visitor from the Housing Alliance
- Review Training PowerPoint
  - Liv Jenssen walked the group through the Health Navigation Overview PowerPoint and asked the group for feedback.
    - Emily Volpert distributed the PowerPoint to everyone through email, so folks will be able to send their feedback and edits to Liv Jenssen for incorporation.

## NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, September 20, 2017  
9:00 AM – 10:30 AM  
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