



Health Workgroup Minutes

DATE: Wednesday, October 18, 2017

TIME: 9:00 AM – 10:30 AM

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

ATTENDEES: Liora Berry, Andrew Brown, Kendra Castaldo, Ryan Deibert, Rhea Graves, Pam Hester, Liv Jenssen, Janet Hamilton, Zainab Kamara, Jan McManus, Rachel Post, April Rohman, Amanda Saul, Mike Savara

MEETING DISCUSSION

- Welcome and Introductions
- Project Access Now: Proposal reduce discharging people into homelessness from hospital.
 - Central City Concern (CCC) to fulfill a triage role.
- Care Oregon Medicare reducing their provider network
 - Concerns identified for veterans
 - Process was initiated to create better system alignment.
 - Concerns over the communication surrounding this change; many clients were unaware.
- Tent City: A KGW documentary on some of the complexities of homelessness.
 - An independent research company conducted surveys with people experiencing homelessness.
- Mayor Wheeler issues a memo and pledges support in finding revenue sources to increase supportive housing and maintain permanent shelter beds.
- City/County Supportive Housing Planning Resolution
 - Prepare a plan to create 2000 units of supportive housing by 2028.
 - Process will be open to receiving information on how to create more units, but need a plan for a minimum of 2000 units.
 - Process will be open to expediting this production process.
 - The process allows space for a variety of models including recovery focused housing, harm reduction, scattered site, etc.
- Metro 2040 Planning Grant
 - October 26th will vote on this grant
 - Will define the need in each regional counties
 - Will assess regional resources and funding options
 - Our health partners are already operating in the Tri-County region.
 - This will bring regional counties to the planning table.
- CSH Fuse Analysis
 - Aims to identify shared frequent users across systems by focusing on the intersections of different systems e.g. health/behavioral Health, criminal justice, homeless Services etc.
 - Allows for identification of priority supportive housing interventions.
 - Can be scaled to address more than the initial pilot allows.
 - **Question:** Is anyone performing system analysis about why individuals become high-utilizers?
 - Discussion about a change in Oregon Housing Alliance (OHA) supportive housing definition.

- Liv Jenssen, Multnomah County, to contact Royce Bowlin of OHA Behavioral Health, about these changes and distribute updates to the Health Workgroup.
- Ryan to reach out to Central City Concern (CCC) for a discussion on this.

ACTION ITEMS

ITEM

1. Policy/Advocacy sub-workgroup will meet before the August meeting.
2. Requested a reference sheet about current year AHFE funding allocation.
3. Send out Strategic Priorities Survey to workgroup members.
4. Inform group about OHA changes in supportive housing definition.

ASSIGNED

Amanda Saul

Ryan Deibert

Jurisdictional Staff

Liv Jenssen
Ryan Deibert

NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, November 15, 2017

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM

Lincoln Building

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