

Umatilla County LCAC Meeting Minutes

June 18, 2021, Via Google Hangouts

Meeting called by	Amy Ashton-Williams, LCAC Co-Chair
Called to order	8:35 AM
Adjourned	9:59 AM
Notetaker	Tiffany Thomas, LCAC Coordinator

Welcome and Introduction

Attendees:

Janet McFarlane LCAC Co-Chair, Amy Ashton-Williams, Troy Soenen LCAC Chair, Courtney Valenzuela, June McFarlane, June Bernard, Brittany Dunham, Sandra Waters, Jenny Galloway, Marci McMurphy, KayLynne Todd, Cheryl Pearce, Erin Bartsch, Jenna Reeves, Jessica Reker, Kristen Owen, Lola Lopez, Darrin Umbarger, Maria-Ximena Williams, Doulas Latinas, Alisha Lundgren, Rebecca Gardner, Mysty Boyd, Sandra Hernandez, Karen Wheeler

Minutes: Janet McFarlane (St Anthony Hospital) - made a motion to approve the May 2021 minutes. Kristen Owen (Lifeways) - seconded the motion. The May 2021 Minutes approved, and the motion carried.

Discussion: What We Are Hearing From The Community

Sandra Waters (OHP member). I have not personally had any issues with OHP. One of the problems that I face is that my prescriptions come out of Washington by mail. Specialists are not always here in town. I have heard from others that OHP transportation is not always reliable. June Bernard (OHP member) - Me and my kids have used OHP transportation and it has worked out well. We have not been denied access to transportation. I work with people in the community, and they might have struggled if there was a notice under 24 hours. I am appreciative of having OHP during my pregnancy and Covid. I feel that the providers worked together, and I feel lucky that providers work closely together. One thing I have heard is that the dental part is a struggle. Sometimes getting to the dentist can be difficult. It took me three weeks to get my son to the dentist. Another concern I have heard is the dentist pulling teeth instead of saving teeth.

Jenna Reeves Stensrud (OWHN) - Transportation was an issue with dental issues when I worked at Headstart. Sometimes they would shuffle people to Walla Walla because of long wait times for appointments.

Courtney Valenzuela (MODA) - EOCCO dental has been a concern, and we want to keep hearing the issues so that we can bring it back to dental. We have a new access point in Hermiston. We have a pediatric dentist. Sometimes it is also challenging to get help with vision contacts and glasses.

June Bernard (OHP member) - I had to pay for my vision exam because it was not covered under OHP.

Troy Soenen (GOBHI) - The dental can be a valuable resource.

Courtney Valenzuela (MODA) - I can reach out to them and see when they will be back in action.

Amy Ashton-Williams (OWhN) - We found a metrics coordinator and that is Amanda Walsborn. Jim went on to better things like enjoying his grandchildren.

Discussion: Demographics Survey Marci McMurphy

Marci McMurphy (GOBHI) - The demographic survey has closed, and we had 26 responses. The community health plan survey is still open. It is due June 30th. It should close on Tuesday. We need to start synthesizing information. We received 26 responses. We have to report information on our entire county. How do you identify gender; Majority female. Two Asian and Two Native Americans, what is your ethnicity? The majority is non-Hispanic, the primary language being English. Some people in the survey identified themselves as having disabilities. Many people have education degrees and LCAC member affiliations. We had five people identify as being OHP members. Someone identified as a parent and or guardian of an OHP member. We also asked, "Are you a chairperson, or do you represent an organization that represents OHP members?" We will send the information to OHA.

Sandra Waters (OHP member) - To whom did we send this survey? Was it to only the LCAC or community? Did we include mental and physical in the survey?

Marci McMurphy (GOBHI) - The demographic survey was sent to the LCAC via email. We did not want to limit people to a disability. We asked people if they identify as having a disability.

Darrin Umbarger (Clearview Medical) - is there a report template to follow on the CBIR? To be broad on disabilities is covering how everyone has a disability. Wearing glasses is a disability.

Discussion: LCAC Community Health Plan Updates- Troy Soenen

Troy Soenen (GOBHI) - The SHARE Program is a program that will use reinvestment funds. The first portion is focused on housing. An application will go out in July, and we are looking to fund projects. We have a flyer that we will share that will show what it can cover. We are hoping the have applications back in August and then get the funding out in September.

Courtney Valenzuela (MODA) - I had feedback from LCAC, and they suggested that we present projects that have a plan to set in motion or ones that are happening as we speak. This application cycle is different from CBIR. LCAC will go over the applications and go over scoring.

Troy Soenen (GOBHI) - Hopefully, we will have at least one project that we will be working on. Everyone can participate. CAPECO is a key partner, and we would want to make sure that they had this information.

Discussion: Update on Subgroups- Janet McFarlane

Janet McFarlane (St Anthony Hospital) - I have gotten some good feedback from meetings. We have Tribal, Education, Human Services. The Tribal subgroup and Youth subgroup have met. That is fantastic, and I have not heard from the Education subgroup or Human Services subgroup yet. I have sent multiple emails, and I am waiting to hear back from subgroups.

Mysty Boyd (Lifeways) - Regarding the Public Health subgroup, it was a good meeting, and the focus was on bringing in OHP members. We will meet again on the 14th of July.

Jenna Reeves Stensrud (OWHN) - We had a short discussion on how to recruit OHP members. Karyn might have people in mind. We talked about why we recruit and why it is essential to hear OHP members. We talked about the need for OHP participation. We will meet again in July and then again in the fall.

Amy Ashton-Williams (OWhn) - There was a good discussion about why the subcommittee is needed and the benefit of pulling health care together. The discussion that we had in our subgroup was about the importance of hearing OHP voices.

Troy Soenen (GOBHI) - We also talked about having LCAC materials. It would be nice to have a business card or flyer. We could visit where OHP members are. Maybe we will show up and do a brief presentation. We could do something over a calendar year so that it would not be taxing on people.

Kristen Owen (Lifeways) - We strategize how to approach people and not to overwhelm members. Maybe have an informal meeting to solicit member input that does not require them to speak at another forum.

Janet McFarlane - (St Anthony) - A card that subcategorized the groups to feel welcome and decide how they would like to participate.

Marci McMurphy (GOBHI) - We discussed where we could meet youth where they are at. We talked about how we could send a message to youth to include parents to also participate on behalf of their children. An idea is having a motivating to take a scholarship if the youth attended so many meetings.

Janet McFarlane - (St Anthony) - I will follow up with groups and gather information.

Troy Soenen (GOBHI) - I will talk to someone at GOBHI to develop a form. There are LCAC dollars to use for resources. IT would be great if committees could develop things and know that they can have help with LCAC dollars if needed.

Discussion: Marci McMurphy CBIR Update

Marci McMurphy (GOBHI) - We will get the template out shortly.

Troy Soenen (GOBHI) - We have to get some things cleaned up otherwise, we should be good for 2021 funds.

Amy Ashton-Williams (OWhN) - When LCAC funds came into OWhN there was \$25,290.81, we have had some expenses. We had facebook fees—two times at \$25 each. Then the coordinator expensed \$3,850. We have money for subcommittees to do activities and host events.

Darrin Umbarger (Clearview Medical) - Could the scholarships come out of the money available.

Troy Soenen (GOBHI) - If you have LCAC support, it could be a good use of funds.

Marci McMurphy (GOBHI) - I have reached out to the superintendent to see how scholarships work. I am figuring those things out so that I can put a plan together to send out.

Discussion: Community Updates

Alisha Lundgren (UCo) - There is so much to share. There is a community rewards program to incentivize covid vaccines to increase the reach. You have to be a 5013c to apply. You can not have money coming from other covid related projects. There is an application online where you can apply. There is a dashboard link that shows statistics by zip codes. You can email in questions if you want to know about the process. Some pharmacies and clinics have been helping. We were at the Pendleton Farmers Market last week and will continue throughout the next few months. We will be there again on July 9th. If anyone has ideas on places where we can have an event, let me know. We were doing some filming for our video. That will come out on our social media account when it gets finalized.

Troy Soenen (GOBHI) - I want to recognize that Alisha has been nominated as the EOCCO public representative.

Erin Bartsch (UMCHS) Early learning program for kindergarten sign up June 27th 12pm-2pm at Victory Square Park for the Guatemalan to help sign up children for school and offer resources. There will be free tacos.

Janet McFarlane - (St Anthony) - We went out to Keystone and vaccinated about 53 people. Community health worker Amanda Waterland did outreach at the aquatic center to youth and parents. I hope to be there on July 14th from noon-3pm.

Sandra Waters (OHP member) - There was a lot of information that was there at the aquatic event. There was a huge distraction with moms and kids wanting to get their freebies.

Marci McMurphy (GOBHI) - Regarding the fruits, and veggies program and Umatilla Morrow Head start, with changes in employment, how we can get the fruit and veggies program going again. How has it operated in the past, and how can we refigure it so that it won't be so labor-intensive and we will bring information once we have something put together

Amy Ashton-Williams (OWhN) - At the end of September, we will offer CRM training in Spanish. CRM's are people who have lived experience with a substance use disorder. They have to have two years that they have not used substances. The training ~~will~~ be free. On another date TBD, we will do another training offered in English. If you have questions, you can email me. If you have anyone interested, please let me know.

Jessica Reker (Good Shepherd Hospital) -

Family Safety Awareness Event Saturday, June 26th from 9am-1pm outside in Good Shepherd's parking lot. Hope to see you there! This event features a Crash Car display by ODOT, Children's Bike Rodeo, Free helmet fittings, Car Seat inspections and installations, over 20 community partner vendors and more!

Next meeting scheduled for July 16th, 2021, via Google Meet