

**EASTERN OREGON COORDINATED CARE ORGANIZATION  
SHERMAN COUNTY COMMUNITY ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING  
MEETING MINUTES**

Thursday, February 6th, 2020  
Sherman County OSU Extension Office  
Moro, Oregon

**Members Present:** Al Barton (phone-in), Amber Degrange, Amy Asher, Ashley Danielson, Cindy Brown, Kristen Slatt, Mike Smith (phone-in) Nadja McConville, Paul McGinnis, Tom McCoy

**Members Absent:** Wes Owens, Teri Thalhofer

**Guests Present:** Marci McMurphy, Neita Cecil, Estella Gomez, Victor Mondragon

**Local County Coordinator:** Ursula Schaefer

The meeting was called to order by Kristen Slatt at 3:04 PM.

Introductions were made.

Minutes by: Ursula Schaefer

**Additions to the Agenda:**

- Paul added a Staffing Update to Other Business.

**Summary of Actions Taken**

**Approval of minutes**

- Minutes for January 2nd, 2020 meeting were approved, pending a few minor corrections. Paul moved motion to accept minutes. Amber seconded. Minutes approved pending corrections.

**Letter of approval for PH grant**

- Amber moved motion to support Kristen's letter of approval. Amy seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

**Public Input/Open Comments**

- No open comments or public input was given.

## Reports & Updates

### Frontier Veggie Rx 2020

- Recent article in Times Journal- front page news about Frontier Veggie Rx!
- Sherman Medical Clinic has opted not to be a prescriber for this next year.
- New prescribers include Carey Silcox at the Senior Center, Ashley Danielson, Amy Asher at Sherman Co Prevention and Sue Mabe at OSU Extension.
- Sherman Clinic will be referring participants to the new prescribers.
- We will find out in March if we are approved for the 2020 grant cycle.
- Marci is going to Grant City this month to share about the program. They are interested in participating and want to learn more.
- Application will be reviewed next Tuesday. The EOCCO board will meet Feb 23<sup>rd</sup> to review LCAC projects, Opt In's and New Ideas projects.

### EOCCO Progress Report

- Paul reviewed the 2019 Overall Summary of the EOCCO progress report. A handout was available for all attendees.
- Now that we are in the beginning of a new year we will not see a report for a few months as numbers will be too small to interpret.
- The margin of making measures is sometimes as small (in Sherman Co.) as one or two people/visits.
- Adolescent Well Care (not on measures for 2020), Colorectal Screening, DHS custody, ED Utilization (not on measures for 2020), ED Utilization for Mental Illness measures were met. Dental Sealant & Developmental Screen measures got close but didn't quite reach the target. These two also happened to be the ones with the most community involvement. We managed to change the way we did sports physicals- policy change- this system of care will be left in place and hopefully these assessments continue to happen even without the measure.
- New measure for 2020: Cigarette Smoking Prevalence. We are curious as to why this measure is asking for a count but not a performance change. We know cessation products & services have been shared with our providers.
- New measure for 2020: Immunizations for Adolescents.
- We are below the goal of 75 % of people going to their PCP (for any reason). It's hard to meet these measures without folks initiating care.
- In April EOCCO will provide the cost of utilization report that shows how people in Sherman County used services. Other data will include information about who *didn't* come into the clinic.
- Paul does not think a determination has been made regarding how many measures need to meet to get moneys back from OHA.
- Moneys used to come in the form of reimbursement. The payment structure has changed this year- the money is now being provided upfront and then owed back if measures are not met.

### **Columbia Gorge Health Council Survey Results**

- Coco Yakey from Columbia Gorge CCO sent data from the community health assessment, which includes data for Sherman, Gilliam & Wasco counties. The data for the 3 counties was aggregated however so we do not have numbers specific for Sherman County.
- CORE, the research group at Providence was responsible for collecting the data and providing survey results. Coco explained that according to CORS, if the number of respondents was “too small” they weren’t going to release the data.
- The number of surveys given out in the county *should have been* sufficient enough that we were guaranteed to have some results come back.
- Selected, randomized mailings were sent out and “field tasking” distribution was also done.
- The reason Sherman County wanted to be involved in another CHA was so that we could get these results!
- Results were presented in percentages, with no numbers provided for how many actual respondents. We also were not told the total number of surveys distributed.
- Ashley was asked by the CAP to be part of the field distribution. Amber Degrange never heard about the survey and works directly with OHP members.
- We are supposed to pay 5K for the data but CAC members don’t feel this is appropriate if the county specific data cannot be provided.

### **OHA Updates**

- OHA is going in a new direction with an emphasis on equity.
- Keeping OHP members’ front & center, and providing quality of care over quantity of care and reaching positive health outcomes is at the forefront of efforts by OHA.
- Health Equity and equal access to healthcare is also in the focus of OHA leadership, and Director Pat Allen.
- Estella’s role allows her direct contact and communication with the OHA director, and as such she has the opportunity to be a liaison between the CAC and OHA.
- OHA’s Transformation Center acts as a “learning hub”; Supports CCO’s and communities to reach metrics, and provides resources and trainings. Online training is provided through the links on the OHA website.
- Trainings and PowerPoint presentations are recorded and archived for later viewing.
- 2020 contracts between OHA and the CCO’s has gotten more specific in terms of how providers are being paid.
- These increased regulations ensure accuracy and accountability.
- Estella advocates for trainings in Eastern Oregon and brings the rural perspective to State meetings.
- 2020 Contract between OHA and CCO’s is more specific with more requirements and regulations for the CCO’s – including how services/providers will be paid, etc.

- CAC charters are being revised as part of CCO 2.0

### **CHP Priorities**

- Columbia Gorge Health Council- Community Health Assessment is complete.
- Community Health Plan priorities (CHP)- picking up from priorities identified from a community health assessment done 3 years ago. Would like community input to prioritize the priorities. Sherman LCAC members should identify that they are members for data purposes.
- Some priorities that were identified in 2016 have not been met and have carried over.
- Sherman LCAC identified the following three areas as priorities in 2019:
  - Children's Health
  - Food Insecurity
  - Mental Health
- Kristen read definitions of all priorities for members.
- Members were asked to select 5 of the 13 priorities identified during the 2016 assessment, which they felt were most important for Sherman County.

### **Oregon Communities Foundation Grant**

- Grant would go towards a "Parenting Rx" program that would expand parenting education in Sherman, Gilliam and Wheeler counties.
- They have asked that Sherman LCAC members complete and share a survey which was provided to members via email.
- Linda Watson from EOCCO and Tammy Pierce from GOBHI missed this month's meeting due to bad weather in Eastern Oregon, but will attend the March LCAC to follow-up.

### **EOCCO Public Health Grant**

- Grant is due March 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Teri Thalhofer reached out to clinics with interest in partnership. Response was not significant.
- Teri is now requesting permission for Kristen to sign letter of support for proposed outreach by an NCPHD RN to provide outreach services to Sherman County.

### **Staffing Update from Paul McGinnis**

- Paul has resigned his position with EOCCO effective March 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Gilliam County was asking about telehealth.
- The Director of OHSU telehealth dept. will be holding a meeting remotely from Noon-1 p.m. on March 5<sup>th</sup>, the same day as our next LCAC meeting.
- The presentation and slides will be about telehealth in Oregon and will include the Sherman County Clinic and any others interested.
- Marci McMurphy will be the new EOCCO person with the Sherman LCAC.

**Next Meeting:**

Sherman County LCAC

Date: Thursday, March 5th, 2020 at 3:00pm

Location: OSU Extension Office-Sherman County, Moro, Oregon

**Meeting adjourned at:** 4:47 p.m.