



Lake County Community Health Improvement Partnership (CHIP)
700 South J Street
Lakeview, OR 97630

Lake County CHIP/LCAC Minutes

Date and time: October 14, 2021 – 3:00 p.m.

Place: Virtual Meeting (Zoom)

Partnership members and staff in attendance: Michele Totten, Arvinder Singh, Kristi Albertson, Susan Pointere, Paul McGinnis, Judy Clarke, Heidi Martinez, Linda Watson, Vanessa Pingleton, Suzannah Burke, Audrey Egan, Marci McMurphy, James Williams, Courtney Valenzuela, Marc Fulmer, Melanie Lasley, Tracey Blood, Estela Gomez, and Karen McClain.

Susan Pointere called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m. and asked all members to introduce themselves.

Susan Pointere then asked the members to review the September meeting minutes. Paul McGinnis made a comment about Motivational Interviewing under the Grant updates and said that he has provided the link to view the webinar.

Susan Pointere asked the members to pass a motion to approve the meeting minutes. James Williams passed a motion to approve and Suzannah Burke seconded the motion. The September meeting minutes were approved unanimously.

Public Comment: Marci McMurphy mentioned that GOBHI (Greater Oregon Behavioral Health, Inc.) had completed a comprehensive behavioral health plan. One of the priorities of the health plan is housing and a housing summit will be held on December 1st and will be virtual. The housing summit will include all 12 Eastern Oregon counties. Registration will be sent out sometime next week.

Kristi Albertson inquired about the process of purchasing the OWL cameras. Susan Pointere responded that a request is submitted and has to be approved by EOCCO (Eastern Oregon Coordinated Care Organization) and/or GOBHI.

EOCCO update & COVID Vaccine Metric Discussion: Audrey Egan discussed the new incentive program for the COVID19 vaccines. EOCCO will provide a \$200 Amazon gift card to the first 200 EOCCO members to receive their first COVID19 vaccine on or after October 1st and dropped the link to the EOCCO website for additional information. Audrey Egan then spoke about the emergency tracking for COVID19 metric. The improvement target is at 47.7% and the current EOCCO counties rate is at 36.5%.

Linda Watson discussed the RCHP (Region Community Health Partnership) meeting at which all the Eastern Oregon counties participated and was held virtually on October 13th. Linda Watson called on Susan Pointere to share her thoughts on the listening and sharing sessions. Susan Pointere said that it was a good use of time and gave one insight into the work that other counties are doing. She could relate with similar struggles that other

counties were going through and felt the sharing/discussion on the challenges and opportunities was helpful. She gave a shoutout to Summer Prantl for giving information about programs that allow us to use Flex funds which will help us to serve our members better. Paul McGinnis commented whether there was a process for distribution of how the Flex funds go across the 12 counties and if the EOCCO needed to report to OHA regarding this. Linda Watson replied that Summer Prantl will be willing to come to an LCAC meeting and share more information. James Williams commented that it was nice to see other County Commissioners there and share their issues.

EOCCO Member Comment: None

EOCCO Member Retention and Recruitment Update: Susan Pointere mentioned the good work Clara Morris had done with the listening group sessions that helped us to figure out a better method for recruitment and retention for the CAC membership. Some of the things we built into our budget are the OWL cameras which we intend to place not only at the Lake Health District where we typically hold the in-person meetings or hybrid but also looking at our community partners where people could go if they didn't want to be in a healthcare facility but still wanted to be able to interact with us. We also want to get one of them up at our Christmas Valley area so members who are interested, have this opportunity where this technology is in place.

LCAC Selection Committee Update: Linda Watson inquired whether the Outback Strong website can have a place to house a piece about LCAC membership. Suzannah Burke answered that surely the website can have a place to have that information.

VISTA Updates: Suzannah Burke shared with the LCAC that she has secured representation from organizations to be on the Outback Strong positive social norms committee. Organizations are the Senior Center, Early Learning Hub, Public Health, Lake health District and OSU Extension. First meeting was on October 1st and the committee discussed mission statement and goals. Future meetings will be held on first Thursday's from 1 p.m. – 2 p.m.

CBIR Updates: Marci McMurphy shared that she is waiting to hear back from Safeway if we are good to go with the Veggie Rx program.

Kristi Albertson shared updates on the mental health priority. Counselors at the North end of the county are in the process of scheduling second round of case supervision for EMDR (Eye Movement Desensitization and Reprocessing). Then, Kristi Albertson mentioned the Sources of Strength program which is active in Lakeview and North Lake schools. This year the LCAC has funding to introduce the program in Paisley. Lastly, the other CBIR grant is an opt-in grant for language services to get more Spanish language interpreters for the Health District.

CHIP Updates: Arvinder Singh shared about the Backpack program. The Lakeview schools are leading this program and getting assistance from the Lake County Foodshare and the Health District. The goal of the program is to close the gap in meals for children between Friday lunch and Monday breakfast. Program starts on October 22nd.

Community Partners Updates: Heidi Martinez spoke about the Suicide awareness picnic and there being flyers advertising free gun cases and gun locks.

Adjourned: Susan Pointere adjourned the meeting at 4:20pm. Next meeting is scheduled for November 11, 2021 at 3:00pm.

