



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

### Lake County CHIP Minutes

**Date and time:** February 14, 2019 – 3:00 p.m.

**Place:** Lake County Senior Center.

**Partnership members and staff in attendance:** Arvinder Singh, Paul McGinnis, Francine Winters, Michele Totten, Charlie Tveit, Will Cahill, Estela Gomez, Gillian Wesenberg, Andrea Wishart, Judy Clarke, Gloria Stringer, Erin-Gage Patrick and Vanessa Marler.

LCAC co-chair Arvinder Singh called the meeting to order at 3:06 p.m. and asked all members to introduce themselves. Singh then presented the January minutes for approval. Charlie Tveit moved to approve the minutes as amended. Judy Clarke seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**Incentive measure update:** Paul McGinnis spoke on the EOCCO analytics data and how much money will be getting back. Unfortunately, they will be getting less money back in 2019. Next, Paul spoke about the change in the incentive measure list for 2020. From 19 measures, the list is down to 13 for 2020. SBIRT incentive measure after taking a break in 2019 is back on the list for 2020. There is a new measure which is assessments for kids in DHS custody. Childhood immunizations status and a measure on cigarettes is on the 2020 list. Depression screening is back with Immunization incentive measure. For the Immunization measure, the age starts from 11 yrs. old. To this Judy Clarke replied that there are no school exclusions for 11 yrs. olds and that was going to be a challenge this year.

Next, Paul discussed the strategy to capture adults with diabetes saying that Advantage Dental did a good job meeting that measure. Also, dental sealants measure was met for 2019.

Then Paul spoke about the well child visits for 3, 4, 5 & 6 yrs. olds and how it was different from developmental screenings measure. He mentioned that time and effort invested by the communities for developmental screenings measure would have been wasted due to it not being on the list.

#### **CHIP updates:**

- **FoodCorps.:** Singh spoke about the Martin Luther King Day of Service event which was hosted by FoodCorps. service member Helena Van Brande. The event was held on January 20<sup>th</sup> at the Fremont Elementary school. Parents and children attended the event which had a garden-themed crafts such as bird feeders, paper pots and home for worms. Snacks and refreshments were available. Event had a good turnout.
- **Living Well:** Singh then informed the council of the Living Well with chronic pain classes that were active and the Chronic pain support group which was being led by Noelle Freeman and Jane Lincoln.
- **PIT Unsheltered population count:** January 29<sup>th</sup> was the date for the point in time count in Lake County. There were teams present in Christmas Valley, Paisley and Lakeview. Staff from KLCAS (Klamath and Lake Community Action Services) were present to support the teams. So far the official count is 151. For

the last few years, the official unsheltered people count for Lake County was 3. This updated count will allow us to apply for grants.

- **Call to Action:** Singh distributed a flyer which advocates a call to action towards Climate, Health and Equity. EOHLA (Eastern Oregon Healthy Living Alliance) has been passing around the flyers to the counties they serve in to get feedback about the call to action. This is a push to have the state recognize climate change as a public health emergency. The flyer has a list of priorities. The idea is to adopt new policies in the state legislation, new investments, and new regulations. Singh then went on to get the council's response. Charlie Tveit responded first saying how some of the priorities will benefit the Lake community such as priorities involving transportation and setting up distribution centers. However, Charlie wanted more information on what it would cost individual counties. Will Cahill mentioned the issue of the urban and rural divide and spoke about reports that show that the urban areas are responsible for a larger carbon footprint than rural areas. However, when it comes to bearing the brunt of the damage to environment, rural areas are unfairly pulled into the solution which result in unwanted consequences. Singh chimed in saying that Lake County has history when it comes to the logging industry and how regulations negatively impacted the industry and the economy. Will Cahill mentioned he is skeptical about the cattle methane gas release data which is being circulated. Gloria Stringer spoke about there being a higher leaning among the urban kids about the environmental concern than rural kids. Then there was discussion about how Lake County has a carbon neutral status and were doing better than most areas in the state and Lake County does not need a call to action. Francie suggested confirming with the Lake County commission about the carbon neutral status. It was decided to not be a part of the call to action movement.
- **Lake County Expo:** Singh informed the council about the Lake County Expo event on February 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Lake County community Fairgrounds arena. There will be community partners and health partners stations.

**Grant updates:** Singh spoke about a grant available for Public Health with the deadline of March 1<sup>st</sup>. Judy Clarke said that the public health department was understaffed and this was a good grant on the surface but the numbers don't add up and some angles in the RFP needed to be worked out before deciding to apply for it.

Paul McGinnis then mentioned the 3 EOCCO applications for Lake County and the spending will begin on March 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Public Comments:** Paul McGinnis informed the council about the massive shake up happening at GOBHI (Greater Oregon Behavioral Health, Inc.) and basically GOBHI is broke. Paul then informed the council of his resignation and named personnel who will be replacing him. Tracy Blood and Linda Watson will be working with Lake County Community Advisory Council. He also mentioned that the GOBHI CEO has resigned and Karen Wheeler is the interim CEO.

Gloria Stringer shared about the Teen Dating Violence awareness event. It was a movie event with pizza and drinks available. She was disappointed about the low turnout. Will Cahill responded saying the good work the Crisis Center is doing and also mentioned the work Abby Finetti is doing relating to talks with 6<sup>th</sup> graders. Charlie Tveit added that this is a huge issue and how he was glad the school is actively taking part in it.

Andrea Wishart announced that they have hired a new person as the community liaison from KLCAS. Her name is Abigail Switter and she'll be joining us soon. Then Andrea gave updates on the public transportation carried out by the Senior Center.

Francie Winters shared information about the RCORP spending which is about \$12,000.

Vanessa Marler informed the council about the opening of the dental office on March 2<sup>nd</sup>. They'll be getting an outreach hygienist by March 6<sup>th</sup>.

Arvinder Singh adjourned the meeting at 4:38 p.m. The next LCAC/CHIP meeting is scheduled for March 12<sup>th</sup>.

