



Community Advisory Council (CAC)
Monday, April 12, 2021, 12–2pm
Jackson Care Connect, 33 N. Central #320,
Medford, OR – Teleconference

Minutes

A meeting of the Jackson Care Connect (JCC) CAC was held on Monday, April 12, 2021 at Jackson Care Connect – Via Teleconference

Committee Members Present: George Adams, John Curtis, Chelsea Reinhart, Don Bruland, Craig Newton (Co-Chair), Rich Rohde,

Committee Members Absent: Barrett Gifford, , Jackson Baures (Co-Chair), Jacquie Jaquette, Leonore Bugarin

Non-Committee Members Present: Brenda Borchman,

Staff Present: Nancy McKinnis, Sam Watson, Edith Cortez, Romy Carver, Janet Holland, Jennifer Lind, Yelena Voznyuk, Julia Jackson, San Sunowen, Riki Rosenthal

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by Nancy McKinnis at 12:03pm. The Welcome Message and Introductions followed, including recognition of World Health Day.

Approval of Minutes:

Committee members reviewed the minutes from the March meeting. CAC member moved to approve the minutes with no corrections, CAC member seconded the motion to approve. **Minutes approved through vote**

Amendments to the minutes: none

Word on the Street – All

CAC members shared community “Word on the Street” and noted the following:

- Options for Helping Residents of Ashland-created 8 years ago as a center for homeless services in Ashland. Project Turnkey was approved in Ashland and will convert a motel to support housing for housing insecure individuals. Partnering with Rogue Retreat on a land shelter location and updated on the status of housing supports for individuals with mental health diagnoses and those who are low income. Also updated that the no camping ordinance was passed by the city of Medford.
- Deaf and Hard of Hearing updates: CAC members will be facilitating a group for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing that meets locally on the 21st of this month. KTVL channel 10 news has taken a proactive approach to improve their closed captioning service. There is also a project supporting folks with training on how to legislate for the deaf and hard of hearing at the state level, and a video training tool is being created.

Crisis Response Team – Julia Jackson

Julia Jackson, JCC Behavioral Health Director provide an update on the Mental Health Crisis Project. Meetings are taking place the last Tuesday of each month. JCC and AllCare have contracted with Diana Bianco, a strategic facilitator who attended the March Meeting. She will be putting together a draft to present at the April meeting. Julia offered to share meeting minutes with anyone interested in reading them.

BOD Update – Jennifer/John Curtis/ Craig Newton

Jennifer, John and Craig shared an update for BOD meeting that was originally scheduled for April was cancelled as it conflicted with a full day BOD retreat that was being held by CO. JCC's Strategic Plan was approved and accepted. The BOD is working on how they can engage the committees more intentionally. February meeting focused on the Clinical Advisory Panel, May will focus on the CAC. This will be an opportunity to share back with the BOD members what the CAC is working on. BOD members completed Fraud Waste and Abuse training. It was also reported that the CAC membership applications were reviewed and approved by the BOD.

COVID-19 Update – Jennifer

Jennifer shared a COVID-19 update and referred folks to the Jackson County Health and Human Services website for additional information. Eligibility for vaccinations has been opened to everyone over the age of 16 in the state of Oregon. In preparation, CCOs are focusing on outreaching members with underlying conditions. We are working with external partners including public health with the goal of a 75% vaccination rate among JCC members.

Tribal Representative Update – Pamela Gutman/Brenda Borchman

Brenda from the Coquille Tribe provided information on purchased and referred care to orient CAC members to the how tribal member receive services. She discussed the Coquille Wellness Clinic, the healthcare entity that sees all tribal members and descendants that are enrolled. They currently work with members in Coos, Jackson, Curry, Lane and Douglas Counties, and services are open card. She has appreciated the partnership with JCC and the CAC to learn how to better serve their members in Jackson County.

Discussion was had about what services or knowledge their elders may know about, with an agreement to further the conversation offline. Nancy offered to present at any tribal meetings to provide information to their members about JCC's benefits and how we may support them with their health and social determinant of health needs.

OHA Update – Nat Jacobs

Nat was unable to be present to provide an update, Nancy requested folks to read through Nat's update and e-mail with any questions.

CHIP Grant Funding – Sam

Sam provided an update on the 2021 CHIP grant process, which is being finalized, and will take place in the fall. The CHIP grant budget, along with others, have seen a decreased from last year as we develop a strategic plan for housing supports and identify where reallocation of funding needs to take place.

Announcement – Sam

Sam gave the update about Nancy accepting the Health Equity Program Specialist position. Discussed the transition and support that will continue to be provided until a new Community Engagement Specialist is recruited and onboarded.

Adjourn – There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned by the co-chair at 2:00 pm. The next CAC meeting is scheduled for **Monday, May 10, 2021 from 12-2pm.**

Approval of Minutes:

Craig Newton (Co-Chair)