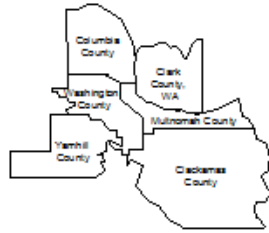




Portland Area HIV Services Planning Council

Advocacy and planning for people affected by HIV in the Portland metro area

Ryan White Program, Part A



Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: November 1, 2022

Approved by Planning Council: December 6, 2022

Grantee: Multnomah County Health Department



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MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, November 1, 2022, 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm
Virtual Zoom Meeting

AGENDA

Item**	Discussion, Motions, and Actions
Call to Order	Bri Williams called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM.
Welcome & Logistics	<p>Bri Williams welcomed everyone to the Planning Council meeting and reviewed meeting logistics.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please say your name each time you speak • Please “raise your hand” or type questions in the chat box • We will mute and unmute folks as needed during the meeting • If you're calling in (not viewing slides), please mute yourself to minimize background noise, unless you have a question / comment • Meetings are recorded for accurate meeting minutes. <p>Attendees introduced themselves via chat.</p> <p>The group reviewed the Council Participation Guidelines (see slide).</p>
Candle Lighting Ceremony	Troy Preble led the lighting of the ceremonial candle in memory of all of the people who have passed from HIV and AIDS, and mentioned some of his friends that had died.
Announcements	<p>Announcements: See slides.</p> <p>Announcements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • World AIDS Day is 12/1 • Partnership Project has World AIDS Day Facebook page; send event information to Julia Lager Mesulam for posting
Agenda Review and Minutes Approval	<p>The agenda was reviewed by the Council, and no changes were made.</p> <p>The meeting minutes from the October 4 meeting minutes approved by unanimous consent.</p>
Public Testimony	None.
Open Enrollment	<p><i>Presenters: Julia Lager Mesulam, Nick Tipton, Myriam Polanco</i></p> <p><i>Summary of Discussion:</i> See slides.</p> <p>Partnership Project (Julia Lager Mesulam)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have been doing open enrollment since Medicare started • Open enrollment for Marketplace and off-exchange started today • 200 people for whom we know we need to do enrollment

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Busy reaching out to approximately 500 people, enrolling and confirming current coverage • Will have more and more Medicare folks • If you're not getting a call back, this is probably why – very busy, time sensitive work <p>Health Services Center (Nick Tipton)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have several hundred clients we will be assisting • Have eligibility specialists in place this year in addition to case managers • Will be consuming a large amount of focus • Doing extra training of new people this year <p>CAREAssist (Myriam Polanco)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Today is first day of open enrollment for qualifying health plans and off-exchange plans • First official webinar on Thursday for open enrollment • Plan is to have clients currently on qualifying health plan enrolled in off-exchange • Clients who receive disenrollment letter from Oregon Health Plan due to over income will also be enrolled in off exchange plan • If there is a reason why someone needs to stay on a qualifying health plan, that will need to be approved on case-by-case basis by Myriam Polanco or Joanna Whitmore <p>CAP SW Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work very closely with EHIP (Evergreen Health Ins Program- WA version of CAREAssist) Insurance advocates to confirm and change needed insurance plans for 2023. • The list of approved plans from EHIP will not be sent out until after the Washington Health Benefit Exchange (WAHBE) informs us of clients' status. • Some clients currently enrolled in Cascade Gold plans will only be offered Cascade Silver plans when they shop for 2023 policies on the Washington HealthPlanFinder. This is because WAHBE has calculated that when all subsidies are factored in, these clients will have the same benefits as a Gold-level plan but at the reduced Silver-level cost. • Process continues to be streamlined and most clients are auto- renewing. EHIP will send these clients a letter and ask that they return a 2023 Plan Confirmation Form. • A few more Medicare MAPD plans were offered for Medicare OE. • We are assisting folks who are undocumented or don't have a SS number in enrolling in an individual plan directly through Regence. This has been a streamlined process in the past, and we're hoping it continues to be that way. We have many clients currently using only EIP coverage that we can get insurance during OE using these individual plans (not through the health exchange). • Not expecting any surprises for Open Enrollment, but still waiting for the list of QHPs (Qualified Health Plans) that will be covered by EHIP.
End HIV Oregon Integrated Plan	<p><i>Presenters: Linda Drach, Bri Williams</i></p> <p><i>Summary of Discussion:</i></p> <p>See slides.</p>

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	<p>Linda Drach presented the End HIV/STI Oregon Integrated Plan for 2022-2026 (see slides).</p> <p>Comments / Questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Q: Does HRSA or CDC require any kind of report back on an annual basis. A: No, not on this. However, this is discussed during site visits. • If you have any questions at any time, contact Linda Drach at linda.drach@dhsosha.state.or.us • Link to dashboards: https://www.oregon.gov/oha/PH/DISEASES/CONDITIONS/HIVSTDVIRALHEPATITIS/Pages/countyleveldata.aspx <p>The Planning Council agreed to move forward with this plan by unanimous consent. HGAP staff will send a letter of concurrence.</p>
<p>Contingency Planning – Small Groups</p>	<p><i>Presenters: Amanda Hurley, Greg Fowler, Diane Quiring, Emily Borke</i></p> <p><i>Summary of Discussion:</i> See slides.</p> <p>Contingency Planning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We need contingency plans for 3 scenarios: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Decrease up to 3% ○ Flat funding ○ Increase Up to 4.9% • Process <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Small groups draft proposals for 3 scenarios ○ Share proposals with the large group ○ Discuss and come to consensus • Contingency plans must follow the rationale of the original allocation proposal <p>The Council split into three small groups to discuss and draft proposals for all three scenarios.</p> <p>The small groups will present their proposals at the next meeting.</p>
<p>Evaluation and Closing</p>	<p><i>Presenter: Bri Williams</i></p> <p>Thank you for participating in this meeting. If you have feedback / comments / ideas, please include them in your evaluation.</p>
<p>Adjourned</p>	<p>5:45 PM</p>

ATTENDANCE

Members	Present	Absent*	Members	Present	Absent*
Emily Borke, she/her	X		Marisa McDowell, she/her		E
Tom Cherry, he/him	X		Scott Moore, he/him	X	
Claire Contreras, she/ella	X		Jamal Muhammad, he/him	X	
Carlos Dory, him/his	X		Laura Paz Whitmore		A
Michelle Foley, she/they	X		Troy Preble	X	
Greg Fowler, he/him	X		Diane Quiring, she/her	X	
Taylor (Gleffe) Silvey, she/her	X		Tessa Robinson, she/her	X	
Kris Harvey, he/him	X		Nick Tipton, he/him	X	
Shaun Irelan, he/him	?		Joanna Whitmore, she/her	X	
Julia Lager-Mesulam, she/her	X		Abrianna Williams, she/her (Co-Chair)	X	
Rob Lawrence, he/him		A	Michelle Wilson		A
Heather Leffler, she/her		L	Shane Wilson, he/him		A
PC Support Staff			Guests		
Lisa Alfano			Ashley Allison (ORAETC)		
Jonathan Basilio	X		Rayna Appenzeller (ORAETC)	X	
Laura Bradley			Vanessa Leja	X	
Aubrey Daquiz, she/her	X		Myriam Polanco (she/her/ella)	X	
Jenny Hampton, she/her (Recorder)	X		Linda Drach (OHA)	X	
Amanda Hurley, she/her	X				
Marisa McLaughlin, she/her					
Kim Toevs, she/her or they/them					

* A = Unexcused Absence; E = Excused Absence; L = On Leave