



Greater Columbia Accountable Community of Health

Collaboration • Innovation • Engagement

Leadership Council

Meeting Minutes

October 17, 2019 | 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

ATTENDANCE	
Participants (*: called in, †: GCACH Board Member, Bold Lettering for presenters and panelists)	Kendra Palomarez, Patrick Jones, Shane McGuire, Kirk Williamson, Estalcio Beltran, †Sandra Suarez, Kevin Martin, Diane Campos, Nancy Riggle, Lindsay Boswell, †Rhonda Hauff, Diane Jones, Michelle Sullivan, Jocelyn Pedrosa, Lisa Hefner, Sierra Foster, †Ronni Batchelor, Kari Isaacson, Rozanne Tucker, Laura Rehwaldt, Rachel Anderson, †Martha Lanman, Chelsey Eaton, Morgan Linder, Christina Rodriguez, Hayley Middleton, LeAnne Turnbull, Barbara Mead, Shawna Banner, Norman Thiel, Sara Clark, †Leslie Stahlnecker, Shannon Jones, Bertha Lopez, *Cora Bourbon, *Desree Mendoza, *Jean Murrow, *Bill Dunwoody, *Joleen Carper, *Jorge Rivera, *Minnie Smith, *Molly Schutt, *Nicole Austin, *Deb Watson
Staff (*: called in)	Carol Moser, Wes Luckey, Becky Kolln, Sam Werdel*, Rubén Peralta, Rachael Guess, Diane Halo, Jenna Shelton, Martin Sanchez, Lauren Johnson, Chelsea Chapman
MEETING PRESENTATIONS & REPORTS	
Welcome & Introductions (Dr. Patrick Jones)	Dr. Patrick Jones opened the meeting with Welcome and Introductions of the group.
Local Health Network Improvement (LHIN) Reports	<p>The LHIN leaders spoke to the projects that were supported via GCACH funds.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kirk Williamson of Benton Franklin Community Health Care Alliance spoke to the focus on an in-depth survey analysis that led to identifying priority health needs for the region which include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Behavioral health challenges ○ Access and cost of all health care ○ Social determinants of health ○ Next steps include support for local programs and initiatives, as well as statewide leadership • Rhonda Hauff of Yakima County Health Care Coalition spoke to the organization’s background (i.e. member organization representation, member interests: inter-professional networking and care teams). She spoke to the Patient Activation Measure (PAM) Pilot, which would use the LHIN funding. The PAM tool uses coaching and motivational interviewing to help patients make important decisions related to their health.

- Dr. Kevin Martin of Kittitas County Health Network spoke to the organization’s projects which include piloting a digital Health Commons- which is a mechanism for people across agencies to share information and referrals about individuals. Many accomplishments were mentioned (e.g. 75 people participating from 21 network partners. Future priorities include meaningful community engagement, evaluation and performance management, and expansion of Health Commons. GCACH sponsorship and training have been distributed to all partners.
- Martha Lanman of SE Washington Rural Health Network spoke to the background of the organization (e.g. member organization representatives and past activities). Prioritized projects to be considered for GCACH community health funds and other potential grant opportunities include:
 - Healthy kids
 - Telehealth/ telepsychology
 - Community-based care coordination
 - Transportation
 - Navigators for insurance enrollment
 Martha provided an update on Community Health Fund Initiatives which include:
 - Insurance navigator in each county
 - Transportation funds in each county (gas cards to help individuals in need get to medical appointments)
 - Garfield food bank
- Morgan Linder of Blue Mountain Regional Community Health Partnership spoke to the background of the organization (e.g. membership participants), past activities, which includes a Community Health Assessment. Results showed a heavy focus on Social Determinants of Health, risk factors, and health outcomes. Future activities involve Community Health Improvement Plan Implementation, targeted outreach, and to strategize by utilizing the training fund.
- Becky Highfill of Whitman County Health Network spoke to the history, members, and the Community Needs Assessment. The findings showed needs for more oral health services, access to affordable health care, mental health services, and food insecurity

Third Party Administrator and Grantees

The LHIN leaders selected Third Party Administrators to find organizations that mitigate Social Determinants of Health. Those organizations included:

- Rozanne Tucker of Three Rivers Community Foundation spoke to their organization’s focus on bringing organization’s together via grant ceremonies. There is a clear opportunity on collaboration and dedicated time to work together. Out of the applications received, 80% will go to housing and mental health. No grantees were present.
- Lindzay Boswell of Yakima Valley Community Foundation / Kittitas County Health Network spoke to the background of the organization and its focus on health outcomes. The focus areas for Kittitas County Health Network included housing, justice, and nutrition. Grantees were:
 - Rod’s House
 - Yakima Neighborhood Health Services—Rhonda Hauff spoke to expanding the medical respite program using these funds. This is for folks who are coming out of the hospital but aren’t well enough to return to the streets. She

	<p>also spoke to Rod’s House, which is an overnight shelter for youth and young adults. Rod’s House aims to find housing for youth under 18.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Dr. Kevin Martin of HopeSource spoke to bringing medically appropriate meals to those without access. The focus is on building that infrastructure. ● Kari Isaacson of Blue Mountain Community Foundation / SE Washington Rural Health Network spoke to how the funding made their efforts more effective. Two grants covered behavioral health, transportation, and assistance for people who are significantly compromised (rent, fix the car, etc.). Grantees were: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Nancy Riggle of Valley Residential Services spoke to the funding that supported a wheel-chair accessible vehicle. ○ Norman Thiel of Sunbridge Community Center spoke to clinic that serves Medicaid clients. Services have been expanded to greater hours to better serve individuals. ○ Shane McGuire of Columbia County Health Systems spoke to how access isn’t enough. Transportation is a huge barrier to making appointments. The solution with GCACH funds was to cover a cost of a vehicle to transport patients (in comfort). ○ Lindsay of the Student Health Center spoke to the funds supporting operations costs, which allows greater quality of care to students thanks to a boost in administrative support. ○ Other grantees include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Superintendent of the Dayton public school addressed bullying by increasing mental health services at school. ● Becky Highfill of Pullman Regional Hospital Foundation spoke to their focus on expanding the trauma informed practice and came across Strengthening Families, who trains and educates families to be more resilient.
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ADJOURNMENT & MEETING SCHEDULE

Adjournment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Meeting adjourned by 11:30am. ● Minutes taken by Chelsea Chapman
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Thank you for your time and engagement with Greater Columbia Accountable Community of Health!
The following 2019 Leadership Council Meetings will be held from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at United Way of Benton & Franklin Counties (401 N Young St, Kennewick, WA 99336) on the following dates:
No December Meeting
Thursday, January 16