The GCACH Report

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1 Practice Transformation Workgroup Kicks off!



The Practice Transformation Workgroup kicked off with a robust discussion on data, metrics, roles, and expectations on April 12th in Pasco.

In attendance were representatives from Providence, Yakima Valley Farm Workers, Consistent Care, SignalHealth, Community Health of Central Washington, Virginia Mason Memorial, Kittitas Valley Healthcare, Molina, Comprehensive Healthcare, WA State Allied Health Center of Excellence at Yakima Valley College, Blue Mountain Heart to Heart, Tri-Cities Community Health, Eastern Washington University, and Qualis Health.

Success in transformation is largely linked to the adoption and performance of Patient-Centered Medical Homes, so the PTW is part of GCACH's strategy to engage leaders in facilitating PCMH transformation within their own organizations and helping scale and spread practice transformation. If the April 12th meeting was an indicator of engaged leadership, we are on a **great** path forward! THANK YOU to the PTW Workgroup!

2 GCACH STAFF TITLE CHANGES

To keep pace with our evolving roles in the Medicaid Transformation, GCACH has gone through some organizational changes. Wes Luckey has been named Deputy Director of GCACH, and Sam Werdel is the Director of Practice Transformation. Rubén Peralta's new title will be Community and Tribal Engagement Specialist. Congratulations and THANK YOU to our GCACH Staff for assuming new responsibilities, titles, and workload!

3 WORTMAN MEDICAL SCIENCE CENTER HOUSES KADLEC FAMILY RESIDENCY CLINIC, CBC MA AND PARAMEDIC TRAINING PROGRAMS



Board Member Dan Ferguson and Carol Moser were treated to an ad hoc tour of CBC's new Medical Science Center after meeting with the CBC Dean of Health Sciences, Mary Hoerner and Interim Dean, Kim Tucker. The subject of the meeting was Workforce. CBC's current Medical Assistant program includes Community Health Worker training brought in by the Department of Health. The Medical Science Center was named for Rand Wortmer, former Kadlec CEO, and a visionary for "growing" health professionals in the community.

Kadlec uses the first two floors as a working medical clinic for its family medicine residency program, and CBC has the third and fourth floors for multiple subjects for students going into the healthcare field including Medical Assistants and Paramedicine.

4 Practice Transformation Workflow Committee

Carol presented a compelling yet humorous presentation on how the PCMH Model is the initiative that not only envelops Transformation of Care, the model additionally aligns with all the Medicaid Demonstration Project areas. The providers and other members were engaged and contributed to discussions related to measures during Wes's data presentation. Wes presented great data that thoroughly pointed out the disparities, population health and some overall statistics within the region and the relation to the metrics.



5 Northwest Rural Health Conference Highlights

Carol, Sam and Rubén attended the Northwest Rural Health Conference March 26th- March 28th in Spokane, Washington. Two presentations stood out to GCACH Staff the most; The Caring for Communities through Collaboration and Partnership Development and the Integrating Oral Health into Primary Care presentation.

During the Caring for Communities presentation, speakers Bridget Beachy, Director of Behavioral Health at Community Health Central Washington, Leslie Robison, PhD, Clinical Psychologist at Pullman Family Medicine, and Becky Corson, Clinical Administrator at Mid-Valley Clinic shared the integration of the behavioral health model into their organization. Attendees enjoyed learning about the integration process through such vibrant and passionate speakers. To view the full presentation, click here!

Madelen Chaplow from Arcora, presented "Preventing Dental Disease in Pediatric Primary Care." This presentation touched on the importance of dental hygiene in children and the need to engage primary care. Did you know, dental disease is the #1 chronic disease in children and is 100% avoidable? To view the full presentation, click here!

6 COMMUNITY AND TRIBAL ENGAGEMENT SPECIALIST- RUBÉN PERALTA

Rubén Peralta, our Community and Tribal Engagement Specialist, has been traveling throughout our GCACH region visiting LHINs and attending events with the purpose of establishing relationships and gaining knowledge on the more localized matters. He is also making connections with a variety of partners and stakeholders.

It is impressive to find individuals throughout our region who are so passionate and committed to the health and wellbeing of their communities. Like the two young Yakama Tribe members who passionately described what they are doing to address the behavioral health challenges the Tribe is facing. Or the SE WA Health Partnership leaders advocating for approaches that are tailored to their older, agricultural, multi-county, and sparsely populated region. Or the health fair held in the Vista Hermosa Community attended by over 800 agricultural workers near Prescott.

The level of engagement and passion found in our communities is needed for the success of any endeavor and it is a clear indication of what the future holds for the wellbeing of our region.







7 YAKIMA BLUE ZONES PROJECT



What about Yakima's "Live Longer, Better Yakima" Blue Zone Project? A Blue Zone Project is a community wellbeing initiative that's designed to unite our worksites, grocery stores, restaurants, schools, and residents towards one common goal: making healthy choices easier. On Tuesday, May 1, Yakima is hosting national

speaker, Tony Buettner, who will present on how Blue Zones Project can help improve wellbeing for all individuals and organization. Visit the <u>Blue Zones Project</u> website to register!

8 \$\$ Initial Distribution of Engagement Dollars \$\$

GCACH Staff, Committees, and Board of Directors, are working diligently to get engagement dollars to providers. First payment of engagement dollars is expected to be released by June 2018. Make sure to get signed up in the Financial Executor Portal or you can't receive any payments!

9 WA FINANCIAL EXECUTOR PORTAL

Registering in the portal is mandatory for any organization to be able to be paid through GCACH. The individual who filled out the LOI and provided contact information is the individual that is receiving emails to register for the portal for each organization. Unfortunately, the portal is not user friendly on the ACH side and we cannot change this email without personally contacting PCG, however, if that individual registers for the portal, they can add other emails/administrators. To date we have 25/70 providers registered in the portal. We will be making personal calls to each organization to see if we can help in any way. PCG also provided a recorded training that provides answers to FAQ and a how-to guide on how to register for the portal. This training can be found here: https://pcgus.webex.com/pcgus/ldr.php?RCID=ef80c2e8cbf452e78a18af993f51cb96.

Please feel free to contact Kylee Spence or Diane Halo for any questions in registering for the WAFE Portal.

10 LHIN CONTRACT STATUS



GCACH is very excited to say we have received 5/6 fully executed contracts for the LHINS. To date we have received all deliverables from two LHINS and a third is on the way. That is almost a 50% completion in a short amount of turnaround time. The LHINS are working very diligently toward our goals and are excited for what the future brings.

11 WELCOME DIANE HALO, FINANCE AND CONTRACTS COORDINATOR

Diane Halo servers as the Finance and Contracts Coordinator of Greater Columbia Accountable Community of Health.

Prior to joining Greater Columbia ACH, Diane was employed at Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, RJ Lee Group - Center for Laboratory Sciences, and Trios in Kennewick. Diane brings experience in risk management in healthcare, financial reporting, contracts, and project management. She also brings a variety of knowledge to the team; earning two associate degrees from Columbia Basin College in Business Administration and Business Innovation with a bachelor's degree in Project Management.

