



Oregon Solutions-Community Health Team (OS-CHT)

Meeting Summary

February 19, 2014 Project Team Meeting
Columbia Gorge Community College – HOOD RIVER

Participants:

Co-conveners Commissioner **Karen Joplin** and Dr. **Frank Toda**

Josh Bishop, PacifiSource; **Eli Bello**, The Next Door; **Anne Carloss**, Hood River County School District; **Katy Chavez**, Oregon Child Development Coalition; **Joella Dethman**, Hood River Commission on Children & Families; **Kristen Dillon**, Mid-Columbia Gorge Family Medicine; **Judee Flint**, Oregon Child Development Coalition; **Janet Hamada**, The Next Door; **Ellen Larsen**, Hood River County Health Department; **Annette Liebe**, Governor Kitzhaber's Office; **Paul Lindberg**, Mid-Columbia Children's Council; **Paul Moyer**, One Community Health; **Bonnie New**, Gorge Ecumenical Ministries; **Marvin Pohl**, Region 9 Area Agency on Aging; **Molly Rogers**, Wasco County Department of Youth Services; **Erin Rudolph**, Providence Hood River Memorial Hospital; **Barbara Seatter**, Mid-Columbia Center For Living; **Matthew Solomon**, Mid-Columbia Children's Council; **Dan Spatz**, Columbia Gorge Community College; **Teri Thalhofer**, North Central Public Health District; **Mark Thomas**, Providence Hood River Memorial Hospital; **Devon Wells**, Hood River Fire & Rescue; **Catherine Whalen**, Mid-Columbia Medical Center; **Cassie Whitmire**, Hood River County School District; **Chelsea Wooderson**, Mid-Columbia Children's Council; **Coco Yackley**, Columbia Gorge Health Council.

Guests: **Bev Stein**, Oregon Solutions

Staff: **Jim Jacks**, Oregon Solutions Project Manager

Welcome & Introductions

Co-conveners Commissioner Joplin and President Toda welcomed everyone and thanked them for participating. Individual self-introductions were made and three "moments of excellence" were shared.

Naming Our Structure

The project team has clearly expressed the need to call our "Hub" something else due to the existing Four Rivers Early Learning Hub. The name selected should be easily translated into Spanish. Current potential names include:

Columbia Gorge Community Health Alliance (CGCHA)

Gorge Bridges to Health (GBH)

Health Alliance of the Gorge (HAG)

Health Team – The Gorge (HTG)

Specific words people like in any prospective name include (alphabetical order): Alliance, Bridges, Columbia, Community, Connection, Gorge, Health, and Team.

A name will be chosen at the March meeting.

Declaration of Cooperation DRAFT Review

Jim Jacks explained that the culmination of an Oregon Solutions process is the signing of a Declaration of Cooperation (DoC). A DoC is a voluntary list of commitments that each organization has agreed to. It spells out who will do what by when. It functions as the roadmap or playbook the community uses to move forward together.

Each team member was given a draft of the project team's DoC and an FAQ. This incomplete first draft will be filled in and significantly revised before the March meeting. We expect the leader of each organization to sign the DoC at a one hour signing ceremony sometime in April.

Financial Sustainability Update

Coco Yackley was asked to provide the project team an update about the Columbia Gorge Health Council's recent transformation dollar decisions that related to community health workers. The CCO received \$3.1 million of requests and had \$1.3 million to spend. Coco reported that initial investments and seed monies were made in the following areas:

- T200 targeted outreach program which was started through healthcare organization investments was funded for an additional 12 months of operation. The T200 represents the 200 OHP members in the region most likely to be high utilizers of healthcare in the near future. This initiative includes use of a social service information solution called Clara.
- Establishing a center of excellence for Community Health Workers, Case Managers, Outreach Workers, and front-line staff that deliver health promotion and well-being services. Approximately 50% of the start-up funds were provided.
- Initial seed money for starting a 'hub' model for connecting community health workers in their existing organizational structures. As part of this initial seed money, additional licenses for the Clara software are included to help jump-start the effort.

For additional information on Clara, see the attached document.

Lead Agency/Umbrella Workgroup Recommendation Discussion & Decision

The project team was briefed about the Workgroup's recommendation. Q&A and discussion followed. A couple of amendments were made. The project team used a five finger consensus method to come to a separate consensus agreement on each of the three parts of the workgroup recommendations.

The project team **agreed:**

- 1. Use an existing organizational structure instead of establishing a new umbrella.**

The project team **agreed:**

- 2. Criteria for picking an existing organization(s) to lead the effort include:**
 - a. Has expertise on OHP billing practices and payment ecosystem**
 - b. Can apply for and manage grants and has adequate eligibility**
 - c. Has track record of effectively convening and listening to advisory councils**
 - d. Has operational expertise in contracting; can contract for services**
 - e. Works regionally today and currently operates in both Hood River & Wasco counties**
 - f. Has a track record of managing any real or perceived conflicts of interest, if agency is also a provider of services**
 - g. Organizational commitment to long term success**

The project team **agreed:**

3. **The following three existing organization(s) are in the Top Tier for lead agency consideration:**
 - a. **Combination of Columbia Gorge Health Council & PacificSource**
 - b. **The Next Door Inc.**
 - c. **Mid-Columbia Center For Living**

Outcomes/Pathways Workgroup Recommendation Discussion and Decision

The project team was briefed about the Workgroup's recommendation. Q&A and discussion followed. An amendment was made. The project team used a five finger consensus method to come to a consensus agreement on the workgroup recommendation.

The project team **agreed:**

That the top tier of outcomes for the "Hub" to pursue beginning in 2014 includes:

- **Enrollment – this means more than just OHP**
- **Developmental screenings**
- **Reenrollment**

Preparation Homework for March Meeting

Everyone should come to the March 19th meeting prepared to make a decision about who the lead agency should be. The co-conveners assume this will require a significant amount of thinking, analysis and conversation for some of you. It is important that you send Jim Jacks any questions or concerns that you have. He is also able to help gather information that you need to be ready to make a decision.

Workgroup

A Pathways Workgroup was formed. Any project team member is welcome to serve on it. In addition, if there is a staff member at your organization that isn't on the project team but you think should participate on the Workgroup, please contact Jim Jacks ASAP with their name, phone number and email address. The Workgroups will meet once for 2-3 hours. They will make recommendations to the full Project Team at the March 19th Project Team meeting. Please let Jim Jacks know ASAP if you want to participate.

The Workgroup's goal is to create pathways for each of the three outcomes (Enrollment, Developmental Screenings and Reenrollment) the Project Team approved at the February 19th meeting. Its 14 members include: Eli Bello, Katy Chavez, Kristen Dillon, Judee Flint, Marvin Pohl, Erin Rudolph, Barb Seatter, Matthew Solomon, Teri Thalhofer, Mark Thomas, Catherine Whalen, Cassie Whitmire, and Martha Zapien Health Coordinator at Mid-Columbia Children's Council and Doreen Hotchkiss Education Manager at Mid-Columbia Children's Council.

Action Items

Jim J	Distribute meeting summary
Jim J	Schedules and staffs the Pathways Workgroup
Jim J & others	Organizes outreach to primary care providers, including the March 6 th CAP meeting
Jim J & others	Do we need a "CHW definition?"
Everyone	Do your "homework" from above
Everyone	Mark your calendars with our last meeting date (see below)
Jim J	Work with co-conveners and others to develop and frame the February agenda

Reminder: 2014 Meeting Dates

The last Project Team meeting date of the Oregon Solutions process is:

Wednesday, March 19th, from 9 am - 12 pm, in The Dalles, CGCC campus

A one hour Declaration of Cooperation Signing Ceremony will occur sometime in April.

The co-conveners adjourned the meeting at 11:35 am.