



Curry Community Health Improvement Plan Coalition Meeting

Wednesday, February 3, 2021

Zoom remote meeting

Attendees

Carrie Prechtel and Sam Engel (AllCare Health), Laura Williams (Advanced Health), Bonnie Ell (Advanced Health/UW-Every Child), Lualhati Anderson (Older Adult Behavioral Health Initiative- Coos Health & Wellness), Starla Paris (DHS Self Sufficiency), Corinne Potts (South Coast Regional Early Learning Hub & Advanced Health CAC Member), Paula Thompson and Marie Simonds (Wild Rivers Coast Alliance), Pamela Winebarger (Brookings Harbor Community Helpers/Food Bank), Laura McKeane (AllCare Health), Cody Alvey (Bright Eyes Midwifery), Laura Moore (ORCCA), Quinn Arrington (AllCare Health, Tribal Liaison), April Jordan (Advanced Health Curry CAC & Board Member), Mellissah Hendrickson (SCBEC and Advanced Health Curry CAC), Cameron McVay (AllCare Health, Community Manager), Kayce (Advantage Dental), Chad McComas (Ex., Director of Rogue Retreat), Annie Donnelly (SOWIB), Samantha Roberts (Oasis Shelter Home), Summer Matteson (Curry County), Nancy Torney (Curry Community Health)

OHA Updates – Bevin Ankrom

- OHA update for attached to email

Communications Updates

- Email Kevin Roeckl oregonboy1@charter.net to get any information included in the next CHIP newsletter and/or on the website
- **Oral Health/Laura McKeane:**
 - Laura mentioned that she felt the workgroup report template felt intimidating- the Curry CHIP Communications team will work to simplify the report template- Laura reviewed her Oral Health report listing the community partners involved and she referenced the 2018 oral health CHA data that's driving their work to provided dental services in the underserved areas of Curry, focusing now on Port Orford
 - Laura referenced their workgroup's goals to work on integration and get oral health services started in Port Orford provided by Advantage Dental in partnership with Coast Community Health. They will also offer a voucher program (for those not on OHP)
 - Long term indicators- increase preventative measures

Workgroup Updates

- **Housing & Homelessness/Beth Barker-Hidalgo:**
- Beth reported via email that the Curry Homeless Coalition delivered dry bags, sewing kits, toe warmers, hand sanitizer, & hard surface sanitizer spray to the Brookings Homeless Task Force this week and also ordered tarps for BHCH, for pick-up at FM.

- **Access to Health/Connie Hunter:**
 - Not present but Connie sends regular email updates to community partners
- **Food & Nutrition/Pamela Winebarger:**
 - Short term targets: snack pack program still underway
 - Last of “plant a row” – 1800 lbs of grown food received last year for families in need
 - Free produce program coming to Curry
 - Can recycling fundraiser in the works- see details below in the community updates section
- **Youth & Seniors/Bonnie Ell:**
 - High-level strategies:
 - Support efforts to mitigate trauma, increase supports that address the social-emotional health of our youth & seniors, support collaborative efforts
 - Strengthening family preservation & the protective factors that influence that (ACEs, overall supports, etc)
 - Coordination of services and systems
 - E.g. CHA data shows that Curry County ranks low for foster placement – relates closely with Every Child Curry who is working on:
 - Explore Fostering Coffee House events via Zoom are being held for anyone who wants to learn more about foster care. Join the next event that works for you (it doesn’t matter which county is hosting the event):
<https://everychildoregon.org/events/>
 - A tutoring and enrichment program for children in care and relative siblings
 - Trauma-Informed Parent Training programs for foster parents and families of origin
 - Foster Parent Night Out (support and respite)
 - Essential tangible needs support system- My NeighbOR
 - South Coast Regional Early Learning Hub (Corinne)
 - Supporting programming in Curry County to raise up families and children in Curry County, grants available \$5-\$50k. *For more details see the community information updates below.
 - Senior and older adult support
 - Harmony & Me (Tricia) working on Zoom intergenerational music classes, Care-A-Grams and “senior cyber portable tech labs”, Teens teach technology to get COVID vaccine sign-ups (**They are in need of teen volunteers) For more information email Tricia at: info@harmonyandmemusic.com
- **Behavioral Health & Addictions/Nancy Tourney:**
 - Focused on increasing suicide awareness
 - Staff trained to provide Question Persuade Refer (QPR) training in BH school district, will reach out to other school districts and community
 - Stigma/myth busting last year, hoping to do this virtually this year
 - Prevention/awareness brochures available in 100 locations
 - Oregon ranks 4th in suicide-related crisis texts, most crisis texts received 10pm-2am, 72% of texters are youth – see <http://www.zeroattempts.org/charts/ctl-issues.html> for additional data
- **Economic and Workforce Development/Elizabeth Lortscher- new workgroup member:**

- State Rehabilitation Council (SRC) meeting- Elizabeth Lortscher will be attending on behalf of Curry.
- Lack of services and knowledge of existing services in our rural communities
- Students/teachers report lack of understanding of services available (Beth will be working to help get that information on services available, such as online virtual filed trips) to our local school districts)

Communications Team:

- Healthy Curry County Oregon (<https://www.healthycurryoregon.org/>) is live – email Kevin at oregonboy3@icloud.com for newsletter entries and/or website for the website
- First newsletter of 2021 should be sent out by March.

Community Info, Upcoming Events, Etc.

- Aluminum can drive fundraiser for the Brookings Harbor Food Helpers thru February, drop offs can happen 10 am-4 pm, Wed-Sat at Curry Community Cares (across from Superfly on Memory Lane)
- 3rd Wed/month, 12:30-2:30 pm- food distribution at Brookings Church of the Nazarene
- AllCare Health will be partnering in hosting a COVID Clinic at Kalmiopsis Elementary School in Brookings from 9 am- 5 pm
- 211info database. If anyone has brochures or information about your organizations, please send an electronic version of that document to becky.yaeger@211info.org.
- United Way of Southwestern Oregon has ongoing COVID-19 relief grant cycles. February grant cycle applications are due Feb. 10th. <https://unitedwayswo.org/emergency-relief-fund/>, contact info@unitedwayswo.org for more info or to find out more about participating in the Grant Allocation Review committee.
- Corinne Potts: A community conversation will be held Feb. 4, 2021 surrounding Healthy Families Oregon to try to identify a backbone organization or thinking partners. Also, Preschool Promise & Baby Promise child care slots are now available in Curry County for foster children, and families who are eligible for ERDC or at or below 200% of poverty. To apply for Preschool Promise or Baby Promise slots, parents need to visit <https://www.screlhub.com/apply-for-prek> (see flyers for more info).
 - The SCREL Hub is accepting applications for Community Investment Funds! To be eligible, applications must impact pregnant mothers and/or children age 0-6 and their families in Coos, Curry, and Coastal Douglas Counties, and address at least one of the Early Learning System goals in Raise Up Oregon. Projects or programs must be completed between now and June 30th, 2021. We will continue to accept applications on an ongoing basis until all the funding has been awarded. Investments for programing range from a minimum of \$5,000 to a maximum \$50,000.If you are interested in applying for funding please submit an interest form at www.screlhub.com/apply-for-funds
- Starla Paris: For info on SNAP benefits contact Starla at email below and attached is a DHS flyer she provided about Economic Impact Payment and the Earned Income Credit. (STARLA.K.PARIS@dhsosha.state.or.us).

Next Meeting:

Wednesday, March 3, 2021 (2-4pm @ Zoom)