



Lane Community Health Council

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October 10, 2023

7:00am-9:00am

Hybrid Meeting

Minutes

Present: Dr. Patrick Luedtke, Lane County Health, and Human Services; Ms. Isis Barone, Community Advisory Council; Dr. Pilar Bradshaw, Eugene Pediatrics; David Butler, McKenzie Willamette Medical Center; Ms. Eve Gray, Lane County Health, and Human Services; Ms. Lindsey Hopper, PacificSource; Ms. Melanie Maples, Willamette Family Inc.; Dr. Robin Virgin, PeaceHealth Medical Group; Mr. Chad Westphal, Looking Glass; Dr. Vipul Lakhani, Oregon Medical Group

Absent: Ms. Ali Canino, South Lane Mental Health; Mr. Tony Scurto, Lane Education Service District; Ms. Kristin Soto, Capitol Dental Care; Dr. Catherine York, Northwest Surgical Specialists

Staff: Ms. Rhonda Busek, Lane Community Health Council; Ms. Suzy Kropf, Lane Community Health Council; Ms. Lauriene Madrigal, Lane Community Health Council

Guests: Ms. Jacqueline Moreno, Lane County Health & Human Services; Dr. Mark Buchholz, PacificSource; Ms. Kellie DeVore, PacificSource; Ms. Erin Fair Taylor, PacificSource; Ms. Leslie Neugebauer, PacificSource; Mr. Dustin Zimmerman, Oregon Health Authority; Ms. Kayla Watford, Lane County Health & Human Services; Ms. Sadie Baratta, Lane County Health & Human Services; Ms. Megan Romero, PacificSource; Ms. Katharine Ryan, PacificSource

I. Call to Order, Welcome & Introductions, Announcement, Public Comment

Dr. Luedtke called the meeting to order at 7:02 am. Introductions were made.

Public Comment: There was no public comment.

II. Consent Agenda

Dr. Luedtke presented the consent agenda including the following actions. It was noted that the LCHC financials were not included in this month's consent agenda, as the Finance Committee did not meet this month. The financials will be presented at the next meeting. **A motion was moved and seconded to approve the consent agenda. The motion passed unanimously.**

- **Approval of September 12, 2023, Minutes Lane Community Health Council Board:** No questions or discussion.
- **CCO Director Report:** No questions or discussion.

III. Community Impact Committee

- **Charter:** Ms. Gray presented the Community Impact Committee Charter, including the updates to the Voting Members Section, which includes the addition of people with lived experience and diverse community experience. **A**

motion was moved and seconded to approve the Community Impact Committee charter. The motion passed unanimously.

- **CBI Update:** Ms. Gray shared that the focus of the CBI grant cycle was food insecurity, particularly working with organizations that are run by or serve Black, Indigenous, People of Color (BIPOC) communities and/or faith-based organizations. Ten applications were received, seven projects were recommended for funding. Upon review, the CIC had questions for some applicants regarding the provisions of healthy foods, and project sustainability. They have received responses to these questions, and the CIC will make final recommendations at the next board meeting. It was noted that the recommendation may exceed the available CBI funds, in which case a recommendation would be made for how to use other available funds to fund these projects. It was noted that there are \$360,000 available in funds, and the total amount requested exceeded \$1M.
- **2022 Quality – SDOH-E Update:** The SDOH-E Quality Improvement funds will be available soon. The CIC considered the Board’s four strategic priorities to inform this grant process: youth access to behavioral health and healthcare, the healthcare workforce, housing and homelessness, and food insecurity. It was determined that the healthcare workforce did not fit the criteria for the SDOH-E funds, so we will look to fund projects in the other three priorities. It was noted that there will be a quick turnaround to award these funds. Due to this, there may be opportunities for the Board to spread the word about this opportunity, to ensure that decisions can be made by December and funds distributed by the end of year.

IV. Finance Committee Update

- **PacificSource Financials:** Ms. DeVore presented the August financials report, which included a year-to-date operating income of \$18.2M, ahead of the budgeted amount of \$11M. This includes \$2M of positive adjustments related to prior years. There was \$587k reserved for large cases this month with \$49k in estimated reinsurance recovery. Ms. DeVore also reviewed the August 2023 Financial Results – Per Member Per Month, Claims Expense – Paid/Accrued & IBNR, trailing 12 months results, and Emergency Department and Inpatient Admit Trends. July & August CAK/HOP revenue is overstated for the month due to overpayment from OHA and will be adjusted in September. Ms. DeVore provided details about the HRS: Flexible Services budget line, noting that the claims expense exceeds the budget as there is no longer a limit for flex services. Ms. Fair Taylor noted that the volume and cadence of Flex Services requests has increased substantially for CCOs across the state. A request was made for data on impacts of the use of flex funds in improving health outcomes for those who need the services the most. PacificSource staff will explore this and bring findings back to the board. The board discussed ways to partner with Primary Care Providers. Additionally, the CCO is considering changes to funding HRS Flexible Services as Health-Related Social Needs (HRSN) services become available through federal funding through the 1115 Waiver. It was noted that the PacificSource Financials were not shared with the Finance Committee this month due to their canceled meeting. PacificSource Financials will be presented at the next Finance Committee meeting.

- **LCHC Treasurer Update:** Ms. Busek shared that she has continued outreach in the finance community to fill the LCHC Treasurer role and Finance Committee Co-Chair position. She is talking with Ms. Jamie Louis Smith from Heritage Bank, who was recommended by our CPA. Ms. Smith is considering the position and currently reviewing the bylaws and responsibility of the role. Ms. Busek shared that in addition to her financial acumen, she also has experience with healthcare, as she was previously the CFO for Serenity Lane. Ms. Busek will continue discussions and outreach and will share back updates. It was confirmed that we do not have business with Heritage Bank.

V. Nominating Committee

Dr. Bradshaw reported that the Nominating Committee discussed the following positions and recommendations:

- LCHC Community Impact Committee: John Johnston resigned from the LCHC Community Impact Committee Healthcare Sector – Behavioral Health position. Shanti Rios, Executive Director for Center for Family Development is being recommended for consideration for the Healthcare Sector – Behavioral Health position.
- Clinical Advisory Panel: John Johnston resigned from the LCHC Clinical Advisory Panel - Behavioral Health Substance Abuse position. Megan Post, Licensed Clinical Social Worker, Center for Family Development is being recommended for consideration.

After discussion, a motion was moved and seconded to approve the Nominating Committee’s recommendations. The motion passed unanimously.

- VI. Exceptional Parks Healthcare Event:** Ms. Busek shared that the Eugene Parks Foundation is in the process of discussing new and innovative ways to work within their park structure and increase opportunities for physical exercise. They are seeking community support of the concept of Exceptional Parks, in preparation for the next step of seeking funding investments in improving equipment and park structures. Recently, there was a panel conversation for businesses through the Eugene Chamber of Commerce. Eugene Parks Foundation invited LCHC to co-host a similar panel event, with the Healthcare field. LCHC has agreed to this partnership. The panelists for this event include Dr. Luedtke, Dr. Bradshaw, and Todd Salnas (Slocum). The event will be hosted at the Shedd on November 16th, 5:30 – 7:30 pm. An invitation to the board is forthcoming. It was noted that this event is not a fundraiser. A comment was made regarding ensuring that parks be available in underserved regions, including rural Lane County. It was noted that this event could be an opportunity to welcome the public to join LCHC Board meetings with public comment. Additionally, Ms. Busek noted that LCHC will be featured in an article in the Chamber’s Open for Business magazine upcoming issue.

VII. 2023 Spending Plan/Policy:

- Community Reinvestment Policy: Ms. Busek presented a draft of the Community Reinvestment Policy, as requested by the Board at the last meeting. The Policy includes guidelines for the Use of Funds, Roles and Responsibilities, Community Impact Committee Responsibilities, and Community Advisory Council

Responsibilities. **A motion was moved and seconded to approve the Community Reinvestment Policy. The motion passed unanimously.**

- **2023 Spending Plan:** Ms. Busek then shared updates on the 2023 Spending Plan. For Food Insecurity, Dr. York is the Board Champion. The goal is to reduce food insecurity over the next five years by providing access to healthy food and education through a coordinated rural and community effort. Partners for this work are Food for Lane County and Lane County Soil and Water Conservation. There is an opportunity to work with a consultant, Katrina Van Dis, Ensoterra, and Co-Founder of Oregon Community Food Systems Network, to do an environmental scan of current opportunities for growing food, storage/distribution of food, and sustainability. There could also be an opportunity to create a community coalition to design and build a food system for Lane County and create grant opportunities related to growing food, storage/distribution of food, and sustainability as agreed upon by a community coalition. The board and meeting guests discussed opportunities to align with other environmental scan efforts, including work done by the Willamette Food and Farm Coalition, who manages the Double Up Food Bucks program. Additional comments included interest in creating grant processes for these funds rather than directed funding, and the need to provide culturally appropriate foods. For Housing and Homelessness, Dr. Virgin is the Board Champion. The Goal is to work with community partners to consider community conditions and opportunities to reduce the number of individuals who are facing homelessness in Lane County. The partners are PacificSource Community Solutions, housing organizations, and Lane County. Opportunities include conversations with the Lane County Housing Coalition related to potential opportunities for Technology related to the upcoming 1115 Waiver related to Housing as an OHP Benefit. Additional opportunities may be possible through Connect Oregon. For the Healthcare Workforce, the Board Champion is Dr. Luedtke. The goal is to increase workforce in the healthcare industry over the next 5 years. Enhancing education and training programs that will in turn support provider access. Partners include higher education institutions, Lane County Medical Society, Connected Lane, PacificSource Community Solutions, State and provider organizations, and the Center for Medical Education Research (CMER). An opportunity will be to participate in a feasibility study with PeaceHealth Medical Group regarding a residency program, as well as engagement with higher education to identify potential opportunities for investment in health care occupations. Dr. Bradshaw shared current opportunities with the Balmer Institute which will be brought back to the next meeting. The board discussed recruitment opportunities to bolster the healthcare workforce, including “trailing spouses.” It was noted that Lane Workforce Partnership has engaged in the past around establishing systems to support the workforce. Ms. Busek noted that she is the Healthcare Strategist for CEDO, and Lane Workforce Partnership and Travel Lane County are represented, and this work is taking place for the workforce overall. For Youth Behavioral Health Access, the Board Champion is Dr. Lahkani. The goal is to increase coordinated youth access to healthcare resources utilizing a partnership between the healthcare community and youth organizations over the next five years. Partners include 15th Night, youth,

schools, healthcare groups, and Lane County Community Partnerships Program. Opportunities include doing an environmental scan of needs of youth across spectrum of healthcare. Consider additional Rapid Access Networks to address identified needs that are in high demand. Additionally, there is an opportunity to align work with current community work including Lane County Community Partnership Program youth behavioral health grants. Comments were made about the intersectionality of the four strategic priorities and a need to think about the work holistically rather than siloing efforts.

- VIII. Oregon Health Authority Updates:** Mr. Zimmerman shared that there are some staffing changes at OHA and recruitment is underway, including the search for the OHA Director. He then shared that OHA is submitting state plan amendments to CMS to cover non-retained adult vaccines (travel vaccines). Comments will be accepted until Friday, October 13, 2023. He then shared that the new Quality Metrics page is available, including program resources, committees, and workgroups. There is also a new comparison document for Supporting Health through Reinvestment (SHARE) Health-Related Services (HRS) and In Lieu of Services (ILOS). Redeterminations are ongoing. Inaccurate letters were sent to approximately 19,000 members. New information is being sent to these members. They will be able to stay on OHP until the end of the year.

- IX. Clinical Advisory Panel:** Dr. Virgin shared that the last CAP meeting focused on charter review and robust discussion of 2023 quality metrics performance progress. Details were requested regarding metrics including the postpartum metric and addiction treatment. The CAP also welcomed Dr. Breckenridge from Lane County's Community Health Centers. The charter will be brought back to the Board for approval at the next meeting.

- X. Community Advisory Council:** Ms. Watford shared a summary of updates from the September CAC Meeting Updates, which included an update from Ms. Megan Romero on an overview of PacificSource's SHARE spending plan. The 2023 plan largely prioritized organizations serving rural Lane County. Award recipients will be shared as they are accepted. The CAC also approved the Request for Proposal for the Youth Mental Health Spending Plan, led by Lane County's Community Partnerships Program in collaboration with the CAC Prevention Workgroup. Ms. Watford invited the board to consider opportunities for collaboration as the Board prioritizes Youth Behavioral Health Access. Ms. Watford then reviewed the CAC Health Equity Committee's three goals: increase healthcare access and accountability; support meaningful community engagement strategies; and improve data to help address health inequities. The board discussed barriers that limit access to ADA services and culturally competent service providers in the community. It was also shared that PacificSource is doing an inventory of CBOs that serve sexual and gender diverse folks and people with disabilities, an effort that will be led by Health Equity Liaison, Ms. Leilani Brewer. The board discussed the evolution of training for providers and specialties around Sexual Orientation Gender Identity (SOGI) and services for LGBTQIA2S+ services. Additional questions for the board to consider include what supports do members need and how can the CAC learn more about what support providers need.

- XI. Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:01 am.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Suzy Kropf". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Suzy Kropf (she, her)
Community Health Program Manager
Lane Community Health Council