



**Coast to Cascades Community Wellness Network (CCCWN)  
Regional Mental Health/Substance Use Disorder Coalition  
Meeting Summary  
Held virtually – Microsoft Teams  
August 8, 2022  
10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.**

**Participants:** Jennifer Beckner, Maisa Athamneh, Sheila Aviles, Shelagh Baird, Stephanie Cameron, Sharee Cooper, Jeannie Davis, Ed.D., Bryan Decker, Christine Felt, Molly Gelinas, Gayle Goodworth, Sara Hartstein, David Hickerson, Todd Jeter, Joanna Kubes, Lalori Lager, Kimberly Lane, Marie Laper, Ursula Marinelli, Avalon Mason, Michelle Means, Jolynn Meza Wynkoop, JoAnn Miller, LaMonte Morgan, James Page, Mara Sargent, Justin Thomas, Chuck True, Jef Van Arsdall–Benton County Sheriff, Sara Vogel, and Shelley Hazelton

**Welcome/Introductions:**

Jennifer Beckner welcomed everyone to the meeting and led introductions.

**Meeting Minutes:**

The July 11, 2022, meeting minutes of the Regional Mental Health/Substance Use Disorder Coalition was presented. **Shelagh Baird made a motion and Lalori Lager seconded the motion to approve the July 11, 2022, meeting minutes as presented. The motion was voted upon and unanimously approved.**

**Federal/State Grants Reports and Updates:**

**Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) Regional Assessment and Implementation Disaster (RAID) Plan Update:**

A written RAID grant report along with the Work Plan Summary and Progress Updates was noted and distributed prior to the meeting.

**HRSA Rural Communities Opioid Response Program (RCORP) Implementation Grant – Bridges to Recovery Project Update for Lincoln County:**

A HRSA RCORP Bridges to Recovery Grant written report was noted and distributed prior to the meeting.

**HRSA Rural Communities Opioid Response Program (RCORP) Implementation III Rural Communities Supporting Women and Youth (RC-SWAY) Grant:**

A HRSA RCORP RC-SWAY Grant written report and Work Plan Highlights was noted and distributed prior to the meeting.

## **Samaritan Treatment and Recovery Services Update:**

### **HRSA STARS Rural Health Opioid Program (RHOP) Update:**

A HRSA STARS Rural Health Opioid Program serving Sweet Home and Brownsville written report was noted and distributed prior to the meeting. A flyer, “Honoring Overdose Awareness” for a candle lighting ceremony scheduled for August 31, 2022, was also noted.

### **Measure 110 Access to Care Grant Report:**

A Measure 110 Access to Care Grant written report was noted and distributed prior to the meeting.

**Shelagh Baird made a motion and LaMonte Morgan seconded the motion to approve the HRSA RAID Grant written report, HRSA Bridges to Recovery Grant written report, HRSA RC-SWAY Grant written report, the HRSA STARS Rural Health Opioid Program written report, and the Measure 110 Access to Care Grant written reports as presented. The motion was voted upon and unanimously approved.**

### **Regional Overdose Data Collection – Next Steps:**

Jennifer Beckner reported on the Regional Overdose Data Collection meeting that was held on July 28, 2022.

- She and JoAnn Miller had run into issues with data collection with obtaining information on fatal and non-fatal overdoses so a meeting was scheduled to talk about overdoses in the region and data collection.
  - a. There were discussion regarding the Overdose Detection Mapping Application Program (ODMAP) that provides near real-time suspected overdose surveillance data to support public safety and public health efforts in mobilizing an immediate response to a sudden increase or overdose spike events.
  - b. We also looked at FirstWatch that securely captures, translates, and transmits information about 9-1-1 callers, patients, and systems via triggers all in real-time. There is a cost associated with this system.
  - c. Attendees shared data and how their organization collects data.
  - d. There were a lot of great ideas and she was excited to see who attended the meeting on July 28, 2022.
  - e. The Albany Police Department presented data and they have almost doubled their overdose deaths. Last year there were 4 overdose deaths. This year in 2022, to date, there has been 7 overdose deaths.
  - f. We are seeing an increase in the number of women overdosing and an increase in youth overdosing.
  - g. Peter Banwarth, Epidemiologist with the Benton County Health Department was there as well and created a data app and data collection form for Harm Reduction Workers to use. Harm Reduction Workers enter data and includes information on refills for Narcan.
  - h. Will look further at how to proceed and schedule additional meetings as needed.
- It was noted that some providers can't access FirstWatch and ODMAP. First responders, fire department personnel, police department personnel can access.

It wouldn't particularly be helpful for a Peer Support Worker. Is there something that a Peer Support Worker could access?

- a. Will need to look at and discuss this further.
- **Jef Van Arsdall, Benton County Sheriff** – Will use ODMAP. Have been in contact with Nick Hurley, Chief of Police for the City of Corvallis, Ken Rueben, Chief of Police for the City of Philomath, and Mike Kissell, EMS Division Chief, Corvallis Fire Department and will work with privacy prime analyst to gather information to put in ODMAP. The Sheriff's Office is the central suppository for this.
- **Jennifer Beckner** – There was some concern expressed regarding longitude and latitude and targeting houses from information entered and gathered with ODMAP.
  - a. **Jef Van Arsdall, Benton County Sheriff** – With ODMAP will use to enter and look up numbers – Can't utilize to gather intelligence information.
- **Jennifer Beckner – Lincoln County** – Two or three agencies are moving to a new information system and using a special reporting system for now. The Toledo Police Department and the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office will follow and use ODMAP.
- **Jennifer Beckner** – We will need to look at following up with Benton County. We do need a consistent reporting database.

#### **Behavioral Health Resource Network Updates:**

Updates were provided for the Behavioral Health Resource Network grants through the State of Oregon.

- **Avalon Mason – Benton County** - Things are progressing for their grant. The Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) has been approved and accepted. Will be doing monthly meetings and looking at policies and data gathering to be consistent. Their first meeting will be this Friday.
- **JoAnn Miller – Linn County** – The MOU is signed. All partners are waiting to hear on the state contract/service agreement. Michelle Means will be taking over as Coordinator for this grant and will facilitate team meetings once the contracts are signed and in place.
  - a. **Jennifer Beckner** – What about harm reduction for Linn County?
  - b. **JoAnn Miller** –The Oregon Health Authority (OHA) - Oversight and Accountability Council didn't approve Linn County Alcohol and Drug for funding. They were going to provide harm reduction services so as a result we don't have a full Behavioral Health Resource Network for Linn County. Narcan distribution. HIV, Hepatitis C, and other field testing is identified as harm reduction. Will look at contracting within the next 6-12 months with Family Assistance and Resource Center Group in Lebanon to do needle exchange. James Page with Albany Comprehensive Treatment Center is doing some harm reduction services.
- **Jennifer Beckner – Lincoln County** – They are struggling to come up with and agreement and consensus. One of their proposed partners wasn't funded. OHA told them to work with another organization that they have attempted to work with previously and haven't been successful. There is a lot of mistrust so trust needs to be built and they don't have the history of working with this group.
  - a. Organizations are being asked to submit their updated budgets. Lincoln County is over allocation by \$2,000,000. Have trimmed some things down.

- b. There have been a lot of agencies that have set up meetings to discuss things with OHA. Need to focus on what is important legislatively.
  - c. Every partner with the Behavioral Health Resource Network must sign an MOU.
  - d. OHA has indicated that Lincoln County might need to have two Behavioral Health Resource Networks. Multnomah County may possibly be doing this as well.
  - e. Hoping to come up with negotiation to make all partners comfortable to sign the MOU.
  - f. Lincoln County Health and Human Services will be the fiscal agent and will have oversight and do all the reporting.
  - g. OHA has checked the box and approved, but if there is no consensus on the MOU then we can't go anywhere. OHA was asked to be the facilitator at a meeting that didn't happen.
  - h. Jennifer Beckner noted that she will meet separately with the outside entity they are trying to bring into partner to see if they can work on things and start to build that trust. The hope is that all partners will come to consensus.
  - i. Need to get final budget changes to OHA today.
  - j. There were three applications requesting over \$1,000,000. They cut Lincoln County Health and Human Services \$800,000, and other partners including Communities Helping Addicts Negotiate Change Effectively (C.H.A.N.C.E.) also cut back on funding.
  - k. **Kimberly Lane** – Represents the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians harm reduction program. When Jennifer Beckner speaks to the other outside entity, please keep in mind they cannot have people speak for their relationship and on their behalf.
  - l. **Jennifer Beckner** – She has had conversations with Tribal representatives originally. When she brings up concerns these will be brought up directly by the providers to the new entity.
  - m. **Jennifer Beckner** – Hopes to come up with language and ideas in common so everyone can work together.
- **Justin Thomas** – Listened to some of the sessions with the Oversight and Accountability Council and they didn't want agencies in Linn County for example to identify their self as harm reduction unless they provide all services. Linn County Alcohol and Drug was denied because due to drug testing.
    - a. **Jennifer Beckner** – It was confusing and not consistent. One partner was funded for harm reduction and only had peer harm reduction mentor services and nothing in budget for harm reduction. There were other programs and partners throughout the state that were not funded because they didn't provide all harm reduction services. Linn County Alcohol and Drug was denied and there was a program not in their collaboration that was almost funded \$30,000 to do drug testing. One agency might be funded for what another county wasn't funded for. Everything needs to be equitable. One provider was denied funding and OHA felt they could add a new agency in that spot. OHA gave power to the Oversight and Accountability Council. The Secretary of the State did audit the first round and a report came out in June. Nothing has happened since the report came out.

- **JoAnn Miller** – Working on letter from the CCCWN for Marty Cahill to sign to send to the Secretary of State noting concerns.
  - a. STARS was funded for Linn and Lincoln County for residential treatment services, but STARS wasn't funded for Benton County.
- **Jennifer Beckner** – Programs offering Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) in Lincoln County include Lincoln County Health and Human Services, Equinox, and Samaritan Health Services. There is a provider at Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians. Since COVID, Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians is offering MAT services to Siletz Tribal members only.
  - a. The Oversight and Accountability Council didn't want to fund doctors and nurses. We can't do MAT services without providers.
  - b. Currently, have active MAT prescribers, which is all "in-kind services." Requested funding for a provider for MAT clients.
  - c. The Oversight and Accountability Council did fund MAT for the Bridges to Recovery Program. It was tabled and relooked at and then it was funded.
  - d. Wishes there was additional time allotted for the last two applicants with the Benton County portion of STARS and Faith, Hope and Charity. Some Oversight and Accountability members were not familiar with where Benton County was located.
  - e. Hopes all issues will be addressed soon.

**The Behavioral Health Resource Network updates were approved by consensus.**

**HRSA Rural Communities Opioid Response Program – Implementation (RCORP-I) – Helping Impact Women and Youth (HIWAY) Project Grant:**

JoAnn Miller reported on the HIWAY Project Grant.

- Lead Coalition – Coast to Cascades Community Wellness Network.
- Samaritan North Lincoln Hospital is the lead agency/fiscal agent for the grant.
- The grant period is from September 1, 2022, through August 31, 2025.
- Funding - \$1,000,000 for three years.
- The purpose of the grant is to support prevention, treatment, and recovery for substance use disorder (SUD), including opioid use disorder (OUD). The overall goal of the program is to reduce the morbidity and mortality of SUD, including OUD, in rural Lincoln County.
- The target population includes women, childbearing age women, pregnant women, youth, Black, Indigenous, and other People of Color, and LGBTQIA2S+.
- HIWAY Project grant partners include:
  - a. Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians
  - b. Faith, Hope and Charity
  - c. Lincoln County Health and Human Services
  - d. Lincoln County Sheriff's Office (Non-funded partner)
  - e. Northwest Coastal Housing
  - f. Olalla Center
  - g. Partnership Against Alcohol and Drug Abuse
  - h. ReConnections Counseling
  - i. Samaritan Health Services

- j. Samaritan House
- k. Samaritan Medical Group (Non-funded partner)
- l. Samaritan North Lincoln Hospital (Non-funded partner)
- m. Samaritan Pacific Communities Hospital (Non-funded partner)

**Additional Business:**

Additional business was noted.

- **JoAnn Miller** – We will be having Listening Sessions as part of our Community Health Needs Assessments with one for the valley held on August 23, 2022, at Linn-Benton Community College (LBCC) Chinook Hall from 5:00 p.m. -7:00 p.m. There will be another listening session on August 24, 2022, from 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. at the coast at the Center for Health Education. Attendees are asked to R.S.V.P. to Rochelle (Shelley) Hazelton at [rhazelton@samhealth.org](mailto:rhazelton@samhealth.org)
- The annual Summit sponsored by Linn, Benton, Lincoln Partners for Health is scheduled for August 19, 2022, from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. The title of the summit is “Wellbeing and Mental Health Resources for a Post-Pandemic Environment. The summit will be held at LBCC Chinook Hall. It will be in person and virtual.
- **Ursula Marinelli** – The STARS coastal facility is moving forward. An architect has been hired. There has been three vision and planning meetings scheduled. We are looking for funding.
  - a. **Jennifer Beckner** – Is the architect treatment focused?
  - b. **Ursula Marinelli** – It is a regular architect but they have a researcher that is looking at how the environment affects people mentally and emotionally (looking trauma-informed design).
- **Molly Gelinis** – Will be having an International Overdose Awareness event in the STARS parking lot in Lebanon on August 31, 2022, from 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Everyone is invited. Will have a candlelight vigil. She, Peer Support Specialists, Harm Reduction Workers will all provide education and support and honor those that have experienced overdoses and those who have lost someone to an overdose. They have purple tea light candles. Held a similar event last year and had some skaters from the skate park come over and participate. That was one of the biggest highlights from past events.
- **Jennifer Beckner** – International Overdose Awareness Day is August 31. National Recovery Month is held for the month of September.

**Next Meeting:**

The next meeting is scheduled for September 12, 2022, at 10:30 a.m.

**Adjourn:**

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Shelley Hazelton  
Community Health Promotion