



**Benton, Lincoln, Linn Regional
Oral Health Coalition of Oregon (Regional
Oral Health Coalition-ROHC)
Joint Meeting with Benton County, Lincoln County
and Linn County Oral Health Coalitions
Meeting Summary
Microsoft Teams
November 21, 2023
2:00 p.m. – 3:05 p.m.**

Attendance: JoAnn Miller, Christy Anderson, Maisa Athamneh, Shelagh Baird, Bryan Decker, Karen Hall, Jen Hanson, Linda Mann, Carrie McHill, Jolynn Meza Wynkoop, Molly Perino, Savanna Sam, and Shelley Hazelton

Welcome:

JoAnn Miller welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Meeting Minutes:

The August 15, 2023, meeting minutes of the Benton, Lincoln, Linn Regional Oral Health Coalition of Oregon Joint Meeting with Benton County, Lincoln County, and Linn County Oral Health Coalitions was presented. **Shelagh Baird made a motion and Molly Perino seconded the motion to approve the August 15, 2023, meeting minutes of the Benton, Lincoln, Linn Regional Oral Health Coalition of Oregon Joint Meeting with Benton County, Lincoln County, and Linn County Oral Health Coalitions as presented. The motion was voted upon and was unanimously approved.**

Update – Communities Helping All Negotiate Change Effectively (C.H.A.N.C.E.) Dental Clinic:

Bryan Decker and Molly Perino provided a C.H.A.N.C.E. dental clinic update.

- **Molly Perino** – They are seeing 4-7 patients on Mondays. So far, most have had insurance, except for one and they were able to walk the patient to the Department of Human Services to get signed up for Oregon Health Plan coverage. Working on the compressor situation. Also, working on bringing a restorative care dentist in once a month.
- **Bryan Decker** – Things are going well. Happy to be able to provide these needed services to the community.
- **JoAnn Miller** – Did send Julie Manning a message to try to get Dr. Walt Manning, retired dentist, to volunteer at the site. Is there a day that works best?
 - a. **Molly Perino** – Staff is there on Mondays. Looking at proposing to come back on Fridays as well.

- b. **JoAnn Miller** – Will follow up again with Julie Manning and have her contact Molly Perino if Dr. Walt Manning is willing to volunteer.
- **JoAnn Miller** – Does Benton County Oral Health Coalition also meet?
 - a. **Molly Perino** – They just meet jointly with this Regional Oral Health Coalition.
 - b. **JoAnn Miller** – Linn County Oral Health Coalition has not met since COVID and meets jointly as well with the Regional Oral Health Coalition.

Coast to Cascades Community Wellness Network (CCCWN) Website:

Jolynn Meza Wynkoop reported on the CCCWN website.

- She is working with a website designer to update the CCCWN website.
- The webpage will contain different headings – About, Health Programs (lists Oral health programs, Regional Coalitions, Newsletters, Resources, 5210, Recover. We want the website to be informative and provide good resources to those visiting the website.
- There are three main Coalitions that report up to the CCCWN and will be listed on the website and one of these includes our Regional Oral Health Coalition. Will include information about the Coalition, members, could also include contact information. Also, would like a place to include the Strategic Plan and meeting minutes over the past year.
- Should anything else be included?
- Jolynn Meza Wynkoop noted that she will put together a draft and bring back to this Coalition. *Will ask for feedback on the webpage either through an additional meeting or via email.*
- This Coalition will meet again in February.

Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) Rural Health Care Services Outreach Program Oral Health Grant - Co-location Project Update and Grant Project – Community Outreach:

Shelagh Baird led discussion around the Oral Health Grant Co-Location Project and community outreach.

- We are on year 3 of the Oral Health Co-Location Grant. Would like to have a discussion on ideas for spending grant funds. We can not promote the Expanded Practice Dental Hygienist (EPDH) in the hospital, but we can help provide funding for projects and items needed for health resource fairs, etc. The grant is for Lincoln County. We could also partner and leverage other funding to do a regional effort.
- We could look at doing another media type campaign.
- **Linda Mann** – We need to also look toward sustaining the model once grant funding is over. We do not want to see this go away. We could reach out to others and other states and see what people are doing that is similar.
- **Shelagh Baird** – We could look at a workshop with other organizations and providers and bringing in community members.
- **Karen Hall** – The dental hygienist in Roseburg at Mercy Hospital is being paid by the hospital. Maybe we can find out how their hospital pays for it and a workshop or summit could include their model.

- **Carrie McHill** – They do have the Business Expo in Lebanon at the River Center. Have we set up a booth in the past for this? Would this be something that would be beneficial? There is a poster that notes it is scheduled for April 18, 2024. This might be an option to involve the community for the Lebanon program.
- **Shelagh Baird** – The Business Expo is a Lebanon event. We do need to look at creative efforts for Lincoln County.
- **Karen Hall** – Maybe look at a Business Expo model in Newport.
- **Molly Perino** – Shared a You Tube link on – Community Health Centers of Benton and Linn Counties School Based Dental Program. It talks about the school sealant/fluoride varnish and Silver Diamine Fluoride program and is in English and Spanish. The video is shared out at the schools and with parents. There is a link to a QR code, and they have received a lot of comments that people love the videos. It is a 1-2-minute video. The cost was approximately \$1,500. A professional production company helped. Maybe this is something we might want to think about doing something similar for outreach.
 - a. **Karen Hall** – Have you considered a QR code/consent form online?
 - b. **Molly Perino** – There is a link and available form, but there is not a fillable form yet.
 - c. **Shelagh Baird** – We have used HMA out of Eugene for our media campaign. We could look at doing a similar type thing and using Capitol Dental Care as our partners
 - d. **JoAnn Miller** – Can we do one for Lincoln County with Capitol Dental Care?
 - e. **Linda Mann** – “Yes,” we can look at doing this.
 - f. **Molly Perino** – They had a good response. At the Charter School, almost all the student population turned in the form. There was a consent form to fill out and return.
 - g. **Shelagh Baird** – We would need to have it approved by the schools. Have Facebook and List Serve.
 - h. **Molly Perino** – Most of their schools included it and had it available online.
 - i. **Karen Hall** – Maybe preschools in Lincoln County – Would be great with the video. We do have a great consent return rates for the preschools.
- **Shelagh Baird** – The Coastal Samaritan Treatment and Recovery Services (STARS) Program/building will open in August 2024. We are hoping to replicate what we have at C.H.A.N.C.E. with a dental chair at this facility.
- **Shelagh Baird** – Additional funds in Year 4 need to be tied to Lincoln County. If you have any additional ideas, please let her or JoAnn Miller know your thoughts and ideas.
- **Karen Hall** – Savanna Sam started to provide bags with supplies to pregnant women. Can we create some more things like this? Oral health is important during pregnancy.
- **Shelagh Baird** – There was a Community Health Resource Fair that targeted Mam and Latinx on November 8, 2023. Savanna Sam attended this and provided women’s health dental kits.

- **Savanna Sam** – She will be attending a Health Resource Fair in Lincoln City as well on November 30, 2023. She gave out 50 bags at the other event. It was a successful event.
 - a. For OB patients, a remote RN reaches out first then connects her. Maybe give a video to her. She just started giving out bags.
- **Christy Anderson** – Thank you for the women’s health dental kits. We wanted to make sure you know how much we appreciate the supplies.
- **Shelagh Baird** – Will be reaching out to AHM Brands and meeting with them on the media campaign. Hoping Savanna Sam will join as well and can discuss some ideas with them.
- **JoAnn Miller** – “Yes,” we can discuss some ideas with AHM Brands and try to get some ideas for Lincoln County.
 - a. Also, can Capital Dental Care take patients with a voucher that come in for an emergency dental need?
 - b. **Linda Mann** – Will need to check. They have a dentist in the Lincoln City office. *Will check with the manager.*
 - c. **JoAnn Miller** – Then when Savanna Sam goes to the different events and fairs, she could hand out a dental voucher. There is Lakeside Dental but was also curious if Capital Dental Care office(s) in Lincoln County could take on dental vouchers as well.
- **Karen Hall** – Could we use some of these funds to pay for an MTI dental van to come more frequently to the region?
- **Savanna Sam** – “Yes,” a dental van is very needed on the coast. Have had people ask about a dental van.
- **Shelagh Baird** – Do not think there is a problem framing as part of existing efforts like with Project Homeless Connect. We have tried to get the dental vans for events such as this. We were not able to get them to the Center for Health Education when this event was there. There is a certain generator or power, or plug needed. Eva Gonzales with Housing Authority of Lincoln County oversees and organizes the dental vans for Lincoln County. We can partner with a healthcare type of event.
- **JoAnn Miller** – Certain churches had outlets that were able to be used for the dental vans.
- **Shelagh Baird** – *Will set up a meeting with Savanna Sam to discuss further.* Loves the idea of doing a video like what Molly Perino did.

Strategic Plan for Oral Health in Benton, Lincoln, and Linn Counties

JoAnn Miller noted that Brandan Kearney is finishing up on the Strategic Plan. Will send out when it is completed.

JoAnn Miller:

- We need to look at different priority areas of focus.
 - a. The Lebanon City Council approved to move the water fluoridation agenda item forward. The anti-fluoridation people were present. It will be voted on November 24, 2023.

- b. There are lots of good things going on in our state with the Oral Health Collaborative of Oregon – Is the Coalition that was spearheaded by Christian Moller-Andersen. There is the Health Teeth Bright Future group as well.
- c. When we look at water fluoridation, we want to be proactive and look at putting together a packet of information for new City Council members. If we can create something and give to them when they are first elected, it will help them be aware of the benefits of water fluoridation. We need to be prepared and proactive. We need dental experts to help and have something that is eye appealing with bullet points that hit the facts and information about our region. How do we be proactive when these things happen? Oregon is 49th in the nation for water fluoridation.
- d. **Molly Perino** – Maybe we look at comparable counties such as Lincoln County schools vs. Benton County schools in comparable size and fluoridated vs. non-fluoridated. Good to compare schools in Corvallis vs. schools in Lincoln County.
- e. Look at older people as well and compare adults and seniors living in
- f. fluoridated communities as well.
- g. **Shelagh Baird** – Grew up in a non-fluoridated place. We need to provide education around it and outreach.
- h. **JoAnn Miller** – How do we get data from city to city?
- i. **Carrie McHill** – Talked with Dr. Kurt Ferre about water fluoridation at the OPHA conference.
- j. **Karen Hall** – Could also research Corvallis vs. Albany or other similar cities – as mentioned – one with water fluoridation and one without.
- k. **Karen Hall** – Part of the challenge would be to determine if people drink tap water or bottled water, but Dr. Kurt Ferre would most likely know this. There should be data somewhere.

Program/Coalition Member Updates:

There were no further updates provided.

2024 Meetings:

There was discussion on keeping the Regional Oral Health Coalition meetings quarterly and having them joint meetings with the local Oral Health Coalitions. *Those present agreed to have the Benton, Lincoln, Linn Regional Oral Health Coalition of Oregon meet jointly with the local Oral Health Coalitions quarterly on the third Tuesday at 2:00 p.m.* The next meeting will be scheduled in February.

Adjourn:

With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 3:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

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