



**Coast to Cascades Community Wellness Network (CCCWN)
Regional Mental Health/Substance Use Disorder Coalition
Meeting Summary
Held virtually – Microsoft Teams
April 14, 2025
10:30 a.m. – 11:10 a.m.**

Participants: Jennifer Beckner, Shelagh Baird, Suzie Beaupre, Bryan Decker, Stephanie Dreiling, Gaby Esquivel, Jamie Freeman, Andy Hertel, Danette Killinger, Heidi May-Stoulil, Elizabeth Merritt, Jolynn Meza Wynkoop, Thien Nguyen, Jesse Noble, Stephan O’Hair, James Page, Tanya Pritt, David Simmons, M.D., Shauna Taylor-Hubert, Justin Thomas, Blue Valentine, Jef Van Arsdall, Benton County Sheriff, Emily Yeast, and Shelley Hazelton

Welcome/Introductions:

Jennifer Beckner, Chair, Lincoln County Health and Human Services, welcomed everyone to the meeting and led introductions.

Meeting Minutes:

Committee members reviewed the meeting minutes of the March 10, 2025, meeting of the Regional Mental Health/Substance Use Disorder Coalition. **Bryan Decker made a motion and Tanya Pritt seconded the motion to approve the meeting minutes as presented. Attendees unanimously approved the motion.**

Federal/State Grants Reports and Updates:

Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) Rural Communities Opioid Response Program – Implementation (RCORP-I) – Helping Impact Women and Youth (HIWAY) Project Grant for Lincoln County:

A HRSA RCORP-I HIWAY Project Grant written report, Work Plan, Year 3 Progress Report, and Data Supplemental report were all noted and distributed prior to the meeting.

- **Jolynn Meza Wynkoop** – Will be doing edits to the Work Plan.

Shelagh Baird made a motion and Jesse Noble seconded the motion to approve the HRSA RCORP-I HIWAY Project Grant written report, Work Plan, Year 3 Progress Report, and Data Supplemental report as presented. Attendees unanimously approved the motion.

New Coalition Chair:

Discussion focused on a new Coalition Chair.

- **Jennifer Beckner** – We discussed previously trying to find a new Chair for the Regional Mental Health/Substance Use Disorder Coalition. Heidi May Stoulil has stepped up and expressed interest in being Chair for the Coalition.
- **Shelagh Baird** - Have touched based and welcomes Heidi May Stoulil as Chair.
- **Heidi May Stoulil** – Shared information regarding her background. Works in Behavioral Health and is the Director of Specialty Practices at Samaritan Health Services/Samaritan Medical Group. Has been in mental health for 20 years and supports substance use disorder and the Samaritan Treatment and Recovery Services (STARS) residential and recovery clinic.

Members agreed for Heidi May Stoulil to be the Chair of the Regional Mental Health/Substance Use Disorder Coalition.

Everyone thanked Jennifer Beckner for all her work and for Chairing the Coalition.

Upcoming Events:

Discussion followed on upcoming events.

- **Jolynn Meza Wynkoop** – Had a discussion with the HRSA Project Officer they were curious what we are doing with certain events so wanted to solicit any feedback from anyone if they have any type of plans with any upcoming events. Here are a couple of events coming up.
 - a. **Prescription Drug Take Back Day** – Scheduled for April 26, 2025.
 - b. **Mental Health Awareness Month** - May is Mental Health Awareness Month.
- **Jennifer Beckner:**
 - a. Met with the Lincoln County Health Promotion Team. They will be doing the Hands Across the Bridge event in Waldport in September. The City of Waldport was going to do an event at the same time but decided to keep the Hands Across the Bridge event.
 - b. Lincoln County Drug and Specialty Court has a special living recovery group. Have reached out to them on funding. Excited to see this group.
- **Thien Nguyen:**
 - a. Shared a flyer - Community Conversations, stigma reduction workshops, with Tedra Cobb scheduled May 19-22, 2025, in Linn and Lincoln Counties. Discussions will be around stigma surrounding substance use disorders and treatment.
 - **Monday, May 19, 2025 – 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.** – Community Conversation and **1:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.** – Facilitator Leader Training (for those interested in training on how to run their own community conversation) – Oregon Coast Community College in Newport, Oregon.
 - **Tuesday, May 20, 2025 – 10:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.** – Community Conversation – Lincoln City Community Center, Lincoln City, Oregon.
 - **Wednesday, May 21, 2025 – 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.** – Community Conversation and **1:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.** – Facilitator Leader Training – Boulder Falls Inn Club Room in Lebanon, Oregon.
 - **Thursday, May 22, 2025 – 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.** – Community Conversation – Communities Helping All Negotiate Change Effectively (C.H.A.N.C.E). Recovery Conference Room in Albany, Oregon.

- The Behavioral Health Resource Network and our HRSA Helping Impact Women and Youth (HIWAY) Grant will be funding the event. We cannot, however, use grant funds for catering or food so if community partners or anyone would like to step in and help or has suggestions let him know.
 - The workshops are capped at 25 people per workshop.
- **Jolynn Meza Wynkoop** – We will be having a Violence Prevention Summit on May 23, 2025, with a focus on youth. The summit will be held at the Chinook Winds Casino in Lincoln City. We have over 75 people registered to date. Will share the link to Eventbrite to register. Eventbrite will show the full agenda and who the presenters are. There will be a keynote speakers and different sessions throughout the day along with a panel discussion. The event is free, and we will provide food.

Update – Regional Overdoses:

Discussions followed around regional overdoses.

- **Shelagh Baird** – Shared information from the Samaritan Health Services Individual Overdose Report for Reporting Period: March 1, 2025 – March 31, 2025.
 - a. Good Samaritan Regional Medical Center (GSRMC) – 11 overdoses.
 - b. Samaritan Albany General Hospital (SAGH) – 12 overdoses.
 - c. Samaritan Lebanon Community Hospital (SLCH) – 6 overdoses.
 - d. Samaritan North Lincoln Hospital (SNLH) – 2 overdoses.
 - e. Samaritan Pacific Communities Hospital (SPCH) – 7 overdoses.

There were overdoses involving teenagers.
- **Shelagh Baird** – Law enforcement data – Benton County Sheriff’s Office – Statistics through March 2025 - Total of 25 with 2 fatalities and 23 non-fatal with Naloxone administered.
- **Jef Van Arsdall, Benton County Sheriff** – This time last year for Benton County Sheriff’s Office statistics, there were 35 overdoses with 2 fatalities.
 - a. Blue Valentine has been great to work with.
 - b. With the jail, have offered 40 take home kits and 11 people took them. They also give the take home kits out with probation.
- **Jennifer Beckner** – In Lincoln County, they have a Naloxone program in the jail as well. Also, now with the Oregon Health Plan, there is a program where incarcerated individuals can get the Oregon Health Plan for 90 days. Lincoln County will be applying for the program.
- **Jef Van Arsdall, Benton County Sheriff** – “Yes,” with the 1115 Waiver. Working with Oregon Health Authority too with opioid use disorder and treatment and would like to be able to give shots through the County Health Department.
- **Jennifer Beckner** – They offer Sublocade in the jail in Lincoln County, which they help pay for through grants. Hepatitis C is another big one that has a significant cost each month.
- **Jef Van Arsdall, Benton County Sheriff** - They take Suboxone in the jail. Would like to go directly to shots.
- **Blue Valentine** – Had two reports of overdose reversals for March.
- **Jesse Noble** – They are getting weekly increment reports and showing the same as last year or down. Seeing Fentanyl and something else with it. There is not as much antidotal reporting.

- **Jennifer Beckner** – Do we have anything to target youth? Heard Oregon Health Authority was going to take some of the settlement money and target youth and then have not heard anymore. Do have concerns.
- **Jesse Noble** – Lincoln County Public Health will partner with school-based health centers in May and meet at the middle school and high schools to discuss Fentanyl. The goal is to meet over the lunch period and provide chocolate chip cookies. Will do this the first week of May for the middle and high schools in Lincoln County. Will partner with Angell Job Corps.

Oregon Youth Development Grant Opportunities:

Shelagh Baird shared about the Oregon Youth Development Grant opportunities.

- There are grants available for Oregon youth development:
 - a. **Reengagement Opportunity Grant** – (Mid-March-early April 2025) – Reconnect youth to high-school level education, provide outreach for reengagement services, deliver education, training, support services to lead to high school completion, and provide reengagement services.
 - b. **Job and Work Readiness Grant** - (Late march-Mid-April 2025) – Support youth development and skill building for work readiness, provide essential employability skills training, increase paid work experiences/apprenticeships/internships and industry recognized credentials, and encourage multi-sector collaboration with ROG grantees.
 - c. **Community Investment Grant** – (Mid to late Spring 2025) – Increase youth engagement and connection to school and community, reduce barriers and support access to services, increase youth participation in safe and welcoming programming and connection to positive role models, support and promote wellbeing of youth.
 - d. **Youth Violence and Gant Reduction Grant** – (To be Determined for Fall 2025) – Expose factors exposing youth to violent and/or criminal activity, direct community outreach and/or intervention services, support re-entry and wrap around supportive services, and support prosocial activities and positive safe spaces.
- Will forward the Request for Information.
- **Jennifer Beckner** – There is a Youth Development Coalition that is part of Oregon Health Authority that looks for funding for older youth, ages 10-18. There were state funds that went into the Coalition for youth innovative projects.

Behavioral Health Resource Networks (BHRN) Update:

Coalition members provided Behavioral Health Resource Networks updates.

- **Jennifer Beckner, Lincoln County** - The Oversight and Accountability Council, which determines funds distribution with the BHRNs will be reviewing things and received feedback on the process for the BHRNs and funding. They will be looking at funding formulas and have been instructed to review all recommendations made. They did increase some funding for some of the programs. Can keep staff in current BHRN so they are able to keep the harm reduction worker. Because of changes, they must redo the milestones and workplan. Had one week to complete the changes, which was impossible. The Oversight and Accountability Council did come back and said it was not obtainable and gave additional time. If BHRNs have not used all their funding for this funding cycle by June 30, 2025, they will need to return the remainder funding. The new funding cycle begins July 1, 2025. With her new role with Lincoln County Health and Human Services, she will be splitting duties between BHRN and housing.

- **Thien Nguyen, Linn County** – With a lot of partners that wanted to expand, it is most likely it will not happen. They will try to maintain certain levels. There were those partners that converted to residential treatment and housing.

Announcements/Additional Business:

Coalition members provided further announcements and additional business.

- **Shelagh Baird** – Shelley Hazelton posted in the Microsoft Teams Chat a message and flyers from Karla Clem, Samaritan Health Services, Director of Foundation, at the coast. They are seeking proposals for artwork (including donated or sponsored art, as well as art that we will purchase) to help adorn the walls at the Coastal-Samaritan Treatment and Recovery Services (STARS) facility. There are Requests for Proposals in English, and one is Spanish. A copy of the flyer was posted in the Microsoft Teams Chat. A preference will be given to proposals from people who have lived experiences with substance use disorder and who either reside in or have strong ties to Lincoln County.
- **Jolynn Meza Wynkoop** – We will be bringing to Linn County and Lincoln County the Documentary Screening, “Recovery City” that follows different women in their recovery. Shared a link to the trailer for the screening in the Microsoft Teams Chat. If interested in helping or helping with food/snacks, please contact her or Thien Nguyen. With the events in Lincoln County will have a general screening and then one specific to women in recovery and hope to provide childcare. Participants will watch the screening and then there will be conversations with the filmmaker and one of the women accompanying the filmmaker after the screening. In Linn County, there will be two general community viewings.
- **Emily Yeast, Samaritan Health Services, Clinic Nurse Mid-Wife** – Samaritan Health Services and InterCommunity Health Network (IHN)-Coordinated Care Organization (CCO) are partnering together for prenatal postpartum care at two Reconnections Counseling sites. Will possibly be using a mobile van and providing outreach in the jail and other places, as well.

Next Meeting:

The next meeting is scheduled for May 12, 2025, at 10:30 a.m. Heidi May Stoulil will be the new Chair and will run the meeting.

Adjourn:

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Shelley Hazelton
Grants and Sponsored Programs