



**Coast to Cascades Community Wellness Network (CCCWN)
Regional Mental Health/Substance Use Disorder Coalition
Meeting Summary
Held virtually – Microsoft Teams
May 12, 2025
10:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.**

Participants: Heidi May-Stoulil, Chair, Maisa Athamneh, Avalon Mason, Shelagh Baird, Suzie Beaupre, Karla Clem, Bryan Decker, Frederick Edwards, Danette Killinger, Jesse Noble, Stephan O’Hair, Latori Lager, Jolynn Meza Wynkoop, James Page, Josh Pankau, Tanya Pritt, Jane Russell, David Simmons, M.D., Shauna Taylor-Hubert, Justin Thomas, Sheila Thompson, Blue Valentine, Caitlyn Weinberger, Emily Yeast, and Shelley Hazelton

Welcome/Introductions:

Heidi May-Stoulil, Chair, welcomed everyone to the meeting and led introductions.

Meeting Minutes:

The committee reviewed the minutes from the April 14, 2025, meeting of the Regional Mental Health/Substance Use Disorder Coalition. **Jane Russell moved to approve the minutes as presented, with Bryan Decker seconding. Members 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 and Work Plan Highlights were noted and distributed prior to the meeting.

- **Jolynn Meza Wynkoop** – We are at the end of the third year period of the grant. The grant ends the end of August 2025.
- In April, the Partnership Against Alcohol and Drug Abuse (PAADA) had their Spring Youth leadership Academy for high school students. There were 28 students that attended the academy.
- In April, the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians trained six of their staff to become doula certified.
- Community Conversations start next week. Added the link in the Chat. These are stigma reduction workshops, with Tedra Cobb scheduled May 19-22, 2025, in Linn and Lincoln Counties. Will provide food and beverages.

- a. **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.
- b. **Tuesday, May 20, 2025 – 10:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.** – Community Conversation – Lincoln City Community Center, Lincoln City, Oregon.
- c. **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.
- d. **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.

Josh Pankau moved to approve the HRSA RCORP-I HIWAY Project Grant written report and Work Plan highlights as presented, with Sheila Thompson seconding. Members unanimously approved the motion.

Update – Regional Overdoses:

Discussions followed around regional overdoses.

- **Shelagh Baird** – Shared information from the Samaritan Health Services Individual Overdose Report for Reporting Period: April 1, 2025 – April 30, 2025. The report shared information by hospital, patient race, patient ethnicity, patient age, patient gender, and shows information on Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome (NAS)/Neonatal Opioid Withdrawal Syndrome (NOWS) for each of the Samaritan Hospitals.
 - a. Good Samaritan Regional Medical Center (GSRMC) – 15 overdoses.
 - b. Samaritan Albany General Hospital (SAGH) – 9 overdoses.
 - c. Samaritan Lebanon Community Hospital (SLCH) – 6 overdoses.
 - d. Samaritan North Lincoln Hospital (SNLH) – 5 overdoses.
 - e. Samaritan Pacific Communities Hospital (SPCH) – 3 overdoses.

NAS/NOW numbers:

- a. GSRMC – 0.
 - b. SAGH – 5.
 - c. SLCH – 1.
 - d. SNLH – 0.
 - e. SPCH – 0.
- **Heidi May-Stoulil** – Noticed an uptake in the 65+ age group. SAGH had several overdoses as well in the 18-39 age group.
 - Are we able to get a comparison to the other months – Year-to-date report and compare to last year as well. ***Will provide this at the next meeting.***
 - **Blue Valentine** – Can send overdose numbers. Would be nice if we can get overdose data from local health departments and be able to see information from Lincoln County.
 - **Jesse Noble:**
 - a. Lincoln County overdose numbers have stayed the same.
 - b. The community of Lincoln County recently faced a loss with a missing Newport fishing boat Captain. The boat he was on capsized and sank at the entrance to Gray’s Harbor recently. There are mental health supports out there. The local Chapter of Fisherman’s Wives is organizing things as well.

Behavioral Health Resource Networks (BHRN) Update:

Coalition members provided Behavioral Health Resource Networks updates.

- **Bryan Decker – Benton County** – Will start the new BHRN grant cycle July 1st. There are some housing options that are *no* longer there, including their program. Effective July 1st, Unity Shelter in Benton County will be suspending operations of its shelter programs, including the Men’s Shelter, Room at the Inn (Women’s shelter), and the Emergency Hotel Shelter Program.
- **Maisa Athamneh – Linn County:**
 - a. Emergence is launching its Connections Co-Dependency Group, which will run on Mondays from 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. This group is for substance use disorder (SUD) clients, as well as Reflections clients, who are voluntary.
 - b. Expenditure reports for the BHRN for Quarters 10-12 - Quarter 11 expenditure report was due May 1, 2025, and the Quarter 12 report is due June 1, 2025.
- **Dr. David Simmons – Coastal Samaritan Treatment and Recovery Services (STARS)** – There is a delay in opening of the Coastal STARS facility due to mechanical materials from suppliers getting delayed in shipping, which will cause a delay in insulation, and a delay in the opening date. The date for opening will be mid-September to the beginning of October 2025.

Announcements/Additional Business:

Coalition members provided further announcements and additional business.

- **Heidi May-Stoullil:**
 - a. Would like to change our meeting time to a one-hour meeting starting with the June 9, 2025, meeting.
 - b. If anyone had ideas for content for future meetings, please let her know. We can look at bringing in speakers if there is interest. Ideas generated from members included the following:
 - It would be great to potentially produce a shared goal that we could all work on together.
 - Partner spotlights where they share a 10-minute presentation on what they have been up to (Harm reduction agenda item).
 - Since this is a regional meeting, see cuts in programs. Take a team approach to things. When there are cuts, we can come together to address deficits and share if we know about funding sources.
 - Cover any grant requirements that we need to ensure we meet.
 - Share successes and obstacles we are seeing and how to partner together.
 - Share needs and opportunities for BHRN and other community partners to support each other’s missions.
 - Trend graph for the overdose numbers and show what substance was involved if possible. There is diagnosis data should be available as well. Dr. Simmons noted that he thinks he is about to get access to that data, and it might be something we are able to report on in the future.
 - Invite some additional mental health providers to attend this meeting to hear on mental health services and updates regarding this.
- **Karla Clem** – Pacific Communities Hospital District Foundation's Request for Art Proposals to enhance the healing environment at Coastal-STARS is ongoing.

They are seeking proposals for artwork (including donated or sponsored art, as well as art that will be purchased) to help adorn the walls at the Coastal-STARS facility. A copy of the flyers 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.

Next Meeting:

The next meeting is scheduled for June 9, 2025, at 10:30 a.m.

Adjourn:

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Shelley Hazelton
Grants and Sponsored Programs

(These meeting minutes are the true and accurate record of the meeting.)