

Minutes of Community Advisory Council Meeting

Wednesday, June 15, 2022

CAC 2022 Retreat

Called to Order: 12:06 noon.

CAC Attendees: Pamala Dame, Nora Foster, Amy Boivin, Burl Baker, Alethea Barlowe, Raquel Mendoza.

Other Attendees: Belvin Ankrom, Yessenia Baltazar, Christopher Koski, Brittiany Lewis, Princess Osita-Oleribe

Absentees: Jennifer Little, Rebecca Adams,

Apologies: Craig Schuhmann, Melissa Pisan

Resignation: Amber Kramer

Meeting Agenda:

1. Introduction and Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by CAC Chair, Pamala Dame at 12:02pm

2. Review and Approval of minutes of June 15, 2022

Amy Boivin moved to adopt minutes, Nora Foster second. The motion was carried.

3. Public Comment / Member Feedback

There was no public comment or member feedback during the meeting.

4. Word on the Street

- Princess and Brittiany attended the annual Elder Abuse Awareness Event at the Senior Center on 06/14. The event is collaboration between Lake and Klamath counties. It had a good turnout of organizations and senior communities and CHA also provided branded gift items and gift cards for the raffles.
- The vaccine clinic and resource fair will hold on June 18 at Asi Es Mi Tierra 1042 E Main St Klamath Falls, Or, 97601. COVID-19 vaccine doses for individuals five-years and older. There will all be flu vaccines, food boxes, raffles, bouncy houses, free food, and more fun sponsored by community and state agencies.

5. Healthier Oregon Program and OHA Update

- Bevin Ankrom announced that this is her last CAC meeting with CHA. A new innovator agent will be taking over for her from the next CAC meeting.
- Air filtration device distribution – Wildfire Smoke
CHA has agreed to distribute air filter devices to CHA members. OHA is in the process of shipping about 700 units for distribution. These devices will be made available to CHA members, Fee for Service (Open Card) members and adult foster homes. The legislature is expected to allocate additional funding to continue this program into 2023.
- Healthier Oregon
OHA has awarded grants to 18 community partner organizations dedicated to assisting CWM members moving to Healthier Oregon. The evaluation committee reviewed the proposals based on the Request for Grant Proposal (RFGP) scoring criteria and an assessment. To ensure that OHA reaches the maximum number of regions and communities within the state, OHA CPOP intense to award 18 grants, one to each of the following apparent successful prospers. Asian Health and Service Center, Catholic Community Service of the Mid-Willamette Valley and Central Coast, Centro Cultural de Washington County, Central Latino Americano, Euvalcree, La Clinica de Valley Family Health Center, Inc. dba La Clinica, Latino Network, Mid-Willamette Valley Community

Action Agency, Mosaic Medical, Natives of the Wild Indigenous Alliance, Northwest Family Services, Olalla Center, Oregon Latino Health Coalition, Project Access Now, Rinehart Clinic, The Immigrant and Refugee Community Organizations, Unique Community Health Center dba Aviva Health, and Virginia Grace Memorial Health Center.

OHA will compile a list of the specific organizations that will be working with Klamath County healthier Oregon members. The CPOP team which includes all regional outreach coordinators, will be in front of training in coordination with grantees, community partners and CCOs.

There is no update to the bridge program currently.

➤ **OHA released COVID-19 vaccine Breakthrough Report**

COVID-19 vaccine breakthrough cases reported 44,363 cases of infection during May 2022. The latest breakthrough report can be found [here](#); of those 21,100, 47.6% were unvaccinated people, and 23,246 or 52.4% were vaccine breakthrough cases. Among the breakthrough, the point is 14,506, or 62.4%, were fully vaccinated and boosted. To date, there have been 2030 three 873 COVID-19 vaccine breakthrough cases in the Oregon period; of those cases, 69,105, or 29.5%, were fully vaccinated and boosted at the time of infection, 2.6% of all vaccine breakthrough cases have been hospitalized, and 0.6% have died. The median age of vaccinated people who died is 80. COVID-19 vaccines are safe and effective at protecting people from getting seriously ill-being hospitalized and passing. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommends that everyone age five and older stay up to date with their vaccines, including getting boosters when eligible.

In-door masking is recommended for Lane, Douglas, and Jackson Counties because of their high COVID incidence and hospitalization rates.

➤ **1115 Medicaid waiver update:**

OHA is currently negotiating with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Service (CMS). OHA is working with CCOs and community partners for timely responses back to CMS and incorporating their feedback into the planning, and negotiation with CMS through July 2022.

➤ **The task force on universal healthcare.**

Listening sessions for Oregonians about task force on universal healthcare according to regional communities to listen, learn and provide feedback to the work affordable and equitable healthcare.

6. CHA/CHIP Updates

This was presented by Valeree Lane of Klamath Public Health.

The 2021 Klamath community health assessment (CHA), which is now available on Healthy Klamath website is a point in time assessment of the health status of the county. CHA is conducted every three years and forms the basis for the community health improvement plan (CHIP). This CHA/CHIP effort is grounded in equity. The CHIP allows the community to identify the top priorities, create goals and a plan for three years. There are 3 categories on the CHIP survey– factors of health, behavioral health, and climate change. The CHA received well over a thousand responses, and the CHIP survey has so far received about 20% of that. The CHIP survey will be open till July 2022. The entire community and especially people who are not typically included in these types of conversation are welcome to fill out the survey as individuals and to share the same with their networks. Listening session for this CHIP process will be conducted in communities all over the county in June and July. CAC members are welcome to be engaged in this work and to send feedback to the CHA/CHIP leadership. The completed CHIP will be published this October, per the current workplan. It will inform the funds and resources that agencies and partners will invest in this community till the next cycle of the CHA/CHIP.

7. Review CHIP Annual Report Draft

Princess presented to the CAC the expectation of the CAC on the CHIP efforts and community engagement activities. While acknowledging that the restriction in the pandemic era that has hampered community outreaches, she encouraged the CAC to consider ways they would like to work on the CHIP priority areas, with schools and with adolescent providers on prioritized health focus areas, for instance. With funding from CHA, this CAC can design and implement assessments and/or interventions that will improve the health outcomes of CHA members and the larger community in CHA's service area. She reiterated the unique place this CAC serves as the only one in the county and as the bridge between the CHA and its members.

Amy suggested seeking inputs from key stakeholders in any area the CAC decides to intervene on.

8. CHA Updates/Announcements

- Flex Ride Process has been finalized. This additional transportation support to CHA members will commence this week. The request can be made on the Community Exchange Platform (CIE), Healthy Klamath Connect, and on CHA website. Members are also welcome to call CHA or TransLink for this service.
- CAC members are encouraged to promote the use of the CIE platform to individuals and agencies in Klamath. It is a service that CHA is already paying for, and it has immense benefits in facilitating information exchange and closed loop referrals. Sending and receiving referrals on the platform increases accountability and improves analytics of where the needs are for the community. Also, organizations can use the platform to display their information, updates, and resources, thus making it easier for people in the community to access free and reduced-cost health, human and social services available in the community.
CHA will be offering cascaded trainings with organization as needed. It will also be offering regular office hours open to agencies in the community to seek support and answers they may have as they use the platform.
- SHARE Initiative: The 4 projects sponsored in 2021 have all received the first fund disbursement per their contracts. They have also submitted their midterm reports and are now in the process or requesting their second fund disbursement. The 2022 round of the SHARE Initiative funds is less the amount committed in 2021 and the open call for application for it will open in the third quarter of this year. The CAC is welcome to recommend community benefit initiative that CHA could sponsor through this mechanism. Housing is a huge priority for SHARE Initiatives.
- Air filtration: CHA is working with the state to receive the air filtration devices and will be distributing them this Summer with the help of Sky Lakes Out-Patient Care Management outreach service and the mobile Hub of Integrated Health Services to communities in outskirts of Klamath.

9. CAC Applications: None for this meeting.

- Princess reported on some of the outreach efforts she has embarked on for the CAC membership recruitment. She emphasized the need for more consumer (OHP) members on this CAC, especially people of the Hispanic community. The CAC Chair recommended a view of earlier CAC applications to find individuals eligible and available to serve on the CAC.
- Application received responses filed annually to give updates and collection of demographics. Also, reach out to others who did not get accepted when applications were complete.

10. Meeting was ended at: 1:15 pm

Next meeting

Date and Time: Wednesday July 20, 2022, 12:00 – 1:30 pm