



Lane Community Health Council

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October 8, 2024

7:00am-9:00am

Hybrid Meeting

Minutes

Present: Dr. Patrick Luedtke, Lane County Health, and Human Services; Dr. Catherine York, Northwest Surgical Specialists; Mr. David Butler, McKenzie Willamette Medical Center; Ms. Ali Canino, South Lane Mental Health; Ms. Tannya Devorak, Community Advisory Council; Dr. Lana Gee-Gott, Northwest Medical Homes; Ms. Lindsey Hopper, PacificSource; Ms. Molly Johnson, Advantage Dental; Ms. Jamie Louie-Smith, Heritage Bank; Ms. Melanie Maples, Willamette Family Inc.; Dr. Robin Virgin, PeaceHealth Medical Group; Mr. Chad Westphal, Looking Glass

Absent: Dr. Philip Capp, Optum; Mr. Tony Scurto, Lane Education Service District; Ms. Eve Gray, Lane County Health, and Human Services

Staff: Ms. Rhonda Busek, Lane Community Health Council; Ms. Lauriene Madrigal, Lane Community Health Council

Guests: Dr. Mark Buchholz, PacificSource; Ms. Kellie DeVore, PacificSource; Ms. Erin Fair-Taylor, PacificSource; Ms. Megan Romero, PacificSource; Ms. Tricia Wilder, PacificSource; Ms. Kayla Watford, Lane County Public Health; Mr. Dustin Zimmerman, Oregon Health Authority

I. Call to Order, Welcome & Introductions, Announcements, Public Comment

Dr. Luedtke called the meeting to order at 7:00 am. Introductions were made.

Dr. Luedtke announced that the Board will meet virtually November 2024 – January 2025. The Annual Board Retreat will be held on February 11, 2025. The Board agreed to meet 7:00 am – 11:00 am in person.

Public Comment: There was no public comment.

II. Consent Agenda

Dr. Luedtke presented the consent agenda including the following actions. **A motion was moved and seconded to approve the consent agenda. The motion passed unanimously.**

- **Approval of September 10, 2024, Minutes Lane Community Health Council Board:** No questions or discussion.
- **LCHC Financials:** No questions or discussion.
- **CCO Director Report:** Ms. Hopper shared that the TQS Report is included in the report and requested time on an upcoming agenda to review in more detail. Ms. Busek noted the topic for the February Board Retreat. Ms. Hopper further noted the QIM performance report and requested the Board's close review.

III. Clinical Advisory Panel

Dr. Virgin reported the CAP is focused on 2023 QIM and 2024 year-to-date performance. In reviewing internal processes with her team at PeaceHealth, Dr. Virgin has discovered that there are nuanced differences for the specifications between OHA and CMS metrics, among others. There are opportunities for different approaches, as strategies that have worked in the past are no longer effective. Improving access and utilizing technology to remind patients of important appointments continue to be valuable strategies. Individual organizations also need to aim to exceed the metrics. Dr. Virgin then reported that the CAP also reviewed the 2025 QIM measures and the Prescribing Parks Pilot Program Proposal. Suggestions were shared to utilize social media to reach patients. Ms. Hopper noted the possibility of utilizing shared savings if the CAP had interest in exploring local strategies to improve QIM performance. Dr. Luedtke commented that mobile services could be better coordinated to meet the QIMs. Ms. Canino shared that in the past, PacificSource led a convening related to Assessments for Children in DHS Custody, this could be a useful strategy to try again. She also asked if the SUDs treatment measure is for all levels of treatment. Ms. DeVore will investigate this and report back. Dr. Luedtke requested the CAC's support in reaching the community through social media. He then asked for an update on the 2025 QIM metrics. Ms. DeVore stated she would share the metrics in follow-up.

IV. Finance Committee Update

PacificSource Financials: Ms. DeVore presented the PacificSource Lane CCO Finance Report. The report noted a year-to-date operating gain of \$2M, ahead of the budgeted loss of \$6.4M. The financials include \$5.8M of positive adjustments related to the prior year. There is nothing reserved for large cases with no estimated reinsurance recovery. Ms. DeVore presented the July 2024 Financial Results Gross Dollar Basis, PMPM Basis, Claims Expense – Paid / Accrued & IBNR, trailing 12 Months Results, Withholds, Membership, and the Joint Management Agreement. Membership as of July 31, 2024, was 89,931 actual members compared to a budget of 82,601. HOP membership continues to grow. For the 2023 Quality Incentive Metrics, 10 of the 15 quality pool measures were met, earning 80% of the quality pool dollars for which it was eligible, equaling \$19,076,260. 2 of the 4 challenge pool measures were met, resulting in an additional \$1,676,527. The current estimate of the 2023 JMA calculates out to be shared savings of \$10.3M, net of the 2023 SHARE Designation (\$610k). The current estimate of the 2024 JMA calculates out to be a net recapture of \$9.0M. The estimated 2024 SHARE Designation of \$412k is excluded from this recapture amount. The board discussed opportunities for QIM performance improvement, including bringing a historic review of performance to the 2025 Annual Retreat.

V. 2023 QIM Distribution

Ms. Busek shared that the checks are in process for distribution. The total for PCS Lane CCO was \$21.2M. The MCO tax portion was \$423,526, for a total of \$21,176,323 earned (rounded). The amount due to LCHC, net of MCO tax is \$18.7M (rounded). Ms. Busek reminded the Board that PCS retained 10% and LCHC received 90% for distribution. She noted that, with the Board's approval last month, the dollars for the Kindergarten Readiness: Social Emotional Health Metric would be returned to PacificSource, for their work with a cross-sector steering committee guiding these metric strategies. The remainder after this distribution was \$1.9M, which includes the SDOH-E QIM funds (process to be reported on in the Community Impact Committee update), 10%

investment in Lane County Public Health - Prevention Programs, and 80% distribution to providers. Ms. Busek shared the intent to mail checks to providers prior to October 21st. Ms. Hopper asked if the cover letter that will be sent with provider checks will include clarifying information about the PCPCH distribution happening separately. Ms. Busek responded it does not currently and she will follow up with Ms. Hopper to add that information.

VI. Community Impact Committee

Ms. Busek reported on behalf of committee chair, Mr. Scurto, that the Community Impact Committee met the prior Friday to discuss community reinvestments for 2024. The committee agreed to the allocation Community Benefit Initiatives (\$405,000.00), SDOH-E (\$1,867,751.71), and Shared Savings (\$10,738,018.00) funds for the current open grant process with the goal of funding additional projects in the priority areas of Housing, Youth Behavioral Health, and Food Insecurity. The committee discussed the current grant process as well as concerns about what would be done with the remainder of the funds if there was a limited number of applications received. The committee proposed annual funding that has been provided to United Way to partner in the purchase of gift cards to be distributed via food boxes delivered through Lane County School for the December holiday break. After discussion, the Community Impact Committee recommended allocating \$200,000 of this year's reinvestment funds to United Way's Holiday Gift Card project. The CIC recommended allocating remaining funds across CBI, SDOH-E portion of the quality pool, and 2023 Shared Savings to the grant process after allocation of \$200,000.00 to United Way. This will allocate \$10,943,018.00 to the grant process.

A question was raised whether any funds can be retained for investments in 2025. Ms. Hopper responded, no, as this expenditure needs to be built into future rate setting to be demonstrated that it is in service, and it is PacificSource's job to hold the reserves. The board further discussed whether there is a need to hold funds to be used by the Clinical Advisory Panel to implement QIM performance strategies. Ms. Louie-Smith asked for confirmation that the individual grant award limit for this funding cycle is \$500,000. Ms. Busek confirmed this is correct. Ms. Louie-Smith further asked if there is a mechanism for applicants to indicate they need additional funds beyond this limit. Ms. Madrigal responded that some applicants do share this in their application. If there is a large remainder of funds and limited applications, LCHC staff will reach out to the applicants individually after the review process to see if they could utilize additional funds for the project. Additional questions were raised regarding the United Way gift card project's intent, history, and considering if gift cards could be offered outside of the holidays when resources are more limited. Ms. Busek shared that LCHC has invested in this project for the past several years because it responds to community needs, particularly in rural communities, and meets HRS criteria. She noted staff will consider working with United Way to implement this project at other times of year.

The board also discussed the Opportunity Fund and policy in development for one-off funding requests. Ms. Busek updated the Board that the policies and process will be discussed at the next Finance Committee meeting. Ms. Louie-Smith added she will be working directly with PacificSource to ensure alignment with MLR and equitable methods to distribute funds. The board discussed additional considerations for these

funds, including the possibility of additional funding needed for grants and QIM performance strategies. **After discussion, a motion was moved and seconded to approve \$200k to be distributed to United Way of Lane County for the gift card project. The motion passed unanimously.**

VII. Food Security Project Update

Dr. York reported an update on the Grow Lane County program, which was approved in March 2024 by the LCHC Board for investment in a 5-year project, totaling \$4.5M, paid out of the 2022 Shared Savings. Funding was awarded to Upper Willamette Soil and Water Conservation District to support farmers and food producers and to Food for Lane County to grow existing relationships with local farms and expansion of food distribution channels to the community. Dr. York presented May – June 2024 Grow Lane County highlights, including that UWSWCD secured the placement of an AmeriCorps RARE member for the 2024-25 service year to support this work. They also piloted their grantmaking program, with awardees including Lane County Bounty and six local farms and ranches. UWSWCD plans to hold a winter grant cycle to allow farmers and ranchers time to plan crops for 2025. Food for Lane County worked with Willamette Farm and Food Coalition to connect with farms who did not have distribution plans in place for their produce going into the summer, as well as tracking 12,066 lbs. of food into their warehouses from this project, with an additional amount delivered directly to partner agencies.

The initial Lane Food Security Council was convened on September 25th and a community-wide needs assessment has begun. The meeting was hosted by LCHC, Upper Willamette Soil and Water Conservation District (UWSWCD), Food for Lane County (FFLC), and a consultant from Ensoterra. An overview of the work was provided including investments made to date for the Grow Lane County Project. Ms. Busek shared that partners include leadership from United Way, University of Oregon, Plaza de Nuestra Comunidad, Lane Education Service District, Lane Transit District, Ko Kwel Wellness Center, NAACP, Lane Council of Governments, Lane County Bounty, Willamette Farm and Food Coalition, Beyond Toxics, PacificSource Community Solutions Lane CCO, Trillium Community Health Plan, and rural-based organizations in Cottage Grove, Siuslaw, and Oakridge. Ms. Busek also noted that some of the engaged organizations are focused on culturally appropriate cooking classes.

VIII. Community Advisory Council

Ms. Devorak shared that the CAC has been focused on onboarding the 2024-26 CAC members. Highlights of the CAC's work in September included learning from the CCOs about Culturally and Linguistically Appropriate Services, discussion about the CCO Appeals Process, and Health-Related Social Needs (HRSN) nutrition benefits. Tannya thanked the Board for their support in spreading the word for the Community Partner Survey as part of the 2024 Community Health Assessment. 80 organizations participated in the survey. Live Healthy Lane will be hosting a data party on October 22nd, which is the second phase of the Community Partner Assessment through the MAPP 2.0 process. The CAC and Health Equity Committee members are also helping design a Build Environment Assessment as part of the CHA. Ms. Devorak shared upcoming opportunities, including the next "Our Journey: An Intertribal Quarterly Cultural Collective" gathering on December 9. The theme for the September gathering was

celebrating traditional foods and food sovereignty efforts happening inside of Lane County. These gatherings are organized in partnership with PacificSource's Tribal Liaison. Dr. Luedtke requested impact from the CAC regarding community outreach strategies related to the CAP's efforts with the QIM. Ms. Busek noted that Kayl Bourgault represents the CAC on the CAP as well.

IX. Adjournment

Dr. Luedtke noted that the Board does not receive public comment very often, and we may consider moving the time of the meeting to improve engagement. The topic is noted for the February Board retreat. Ms. Watford shared that the time of the meeting is a challenge for CAC members.

Mr. Zimmerman shared updates from Oregon Health Authority. He shared that he is moving out of the Innovator Agent role to now manage the IA team. He will continue interim work until the position is filled. He also shared appreciation for the CCO structure for the implementation of many new benefits. He also recognized that OHA will not reach its goal of eliminating all health inequities by 2030, that it will likely be the CCO and shared appreciation for the CCOs for their partnership. He noted that there are many new memos posted on the CCO Contracts webpage, as well as a Medicaid Spending all day meeting for CCO staff this week. He shared there is a new Fee for Service member counts by county out now as well, and a lot of other housing and HRSN benefits, including carceral populations. He concluded that Emma Sando, new State Medicaid Director for the state of Oregon, will be working to set up meetings with CCOs. Dr. Luedtke recommended a formal invitation. Mr. Zimmerman will assist with setting this up.

Dr. Luedtke shared updates from Lane County Public Health, noting that a new mosquito has been found in Jackson County. The risk is low, LCPH will be increasing surveillance.

Mr. Westphal shared that Looking Glass is opening an expanded psychiatric residential treatment facility, scheduled for January 2025. This facility is secure and referral-only through DHS or Oregon Youth Authority. while Station 7 and the PEER Shelter are walk-in facilities.

Ms. Canino shared that South Lane Mental Health has secured funding to start a pilot program for equine therapy through a contract with a local barn to rent horses by the hour. Program expansion would include leasing space and the agency having their own horses. The program will begin by serving primarily youth and several adult clients, with the hope of expanding.

Ms. Devorak share that (CAFA) Christians as Family Advocates is celebrating it's 30th anniversary. Anyone who is interested in attending the celebrations may contact her.

Mr. Butler shared that McKenzie-Willamette recently attended the Community Healthcare Panel, hosted by the Churchill Area Neighbors. At this event, they shared that they are considering adding a satellite emergency department. They have met with the City Manager, Mayor, and Governor, and have support. Mr. Butler shared he hopes

to have a signed agreement with the contractor within the next 30-60 days to enter the development phase. While this is not finalized, a letter of intent has been filed publicly. McKenzie-Willamette hopes to be able to mitigate the tremendous need in the community.

Dr. Luedtke reminded the Board that the November – January meetings will be fully virtual.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:55 am.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Suzy Kropf".

Suzy Kropf (she, her)
Community Health Program Manager
Lane Community Health Council