

Title XIX Advisory Committee

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#	Agenda Items	Time	Lead	Notes/Handouts
1.	Roll call	8:30am (5 min)	Bob Marsalli, Chair	
2.	Approval of September 24 Minutes	8:35am (5 min)	Bob Marsalli	Approved
3.	RDA Survey Results	8:40am (10 min)	Taylor Linke (HCA)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bi-annual survey, partner with DSHS. Survey conducted across all of our social and health services programs, 1251 people surveyed. • Data pulled for Apple Health clients who used services between October 2020 – March 2021. • Overall scores higher than ever. • 99% of clients said Apple Health helps them and their families. • 95% said they received clear explanations from their providers about their health care. • 94% were satisfied with services.



- 94% of Apple Health clients say the staff who helped them when they called the 800 number listened to what they had to say. This is a 3% increase from 2019.
- 92% said it's easy to access services. This is a 5% increase since 2019 and the highest score ever.
- More information can be found here: www.Dshs.wa.gov/node/33570 and www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/apple-health-medicaid/2021-apple-health-client-survey-has-highest-scores-ever-quality

4.	Legislative Update	8:50 (10 min)	Jason McGill (HCA)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This year is a short session (January 10 – March 10). • Last session the legislature gave us a lot of work to do and we're working on that now. • Some of the topics we're anticipating include behavioral health, rates with behavioral health services, COVID related impacts, and long-term care impacts. • Although we're currently seeing a decline in COVID cases, there's still a high need for skilled nursing facilities and long-term care facilities for complex cases. • Our hospital systems continue to be stretched and we're unsure what the Omicron variant will bring. • There's a lot of interest in the uninsured populations, particularly with regard to what will happen when the public health emergency ends, and the population currently under Medicaid continuing coverage, as well as expanding Medicaid post partum coverage. Looking at various options. • Our decision packages are substantive. • We expect the Governor's budget to be released soon. 				
5.	988 Crisis Line Update	9:00am (30 min)	Allison Wedin (HCA)	 5. 1477 overview and updates.pptx
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The National Suicide Hotline Designation Act of 2020 establishes a national suicide prevention and behavioral health crisis hotline. • The "go live" date on the three digit 988 crisis number is July 2022. • E2SHB 1477 expands on the implementation of 988. • Will be a phased approach to develop technology and designate call centers, establish a committee to assess the current crisis system and resources and then advise on the expansion of services. • By July 2024, crisis services will be linked and triaged directly from the 988 platform to the caller. • Legislative intents: reduce reliance on emergency rooms and law enforcement to address behavioral health crisis when possible, include partners from a range of perspectives and planning, and improve access and quality, further equity, assure culturally and linguistically competent response. • Collaborating with DOH. DOH will have primary responsibility for establishing and designating the crisis call center hubs. HCA will have primary responsibility for developing and implementing the crisis system and services to support the work of the hubs. • DOH responsible for a new technologically advanced behavioral health and suicide prevention crisis call center platform. HCA responsible for a behavioral health integrated client referral system. • Three national suicide prevention lifeline member centers: Volunteers of America of Western Washington, Crisis Connections, and Frontier Behavioral Health. • 988 state planning grant in WA State: funded by Vibrant Emotional Health. Grant implementation partners: DOH, HCA, UW, Volunteers of America of Western Washington, Crisis Connections, and Frontier Behavioral Health. • Crisis Response Improvement Strategy Committee (CRIS) – and subcommittees, established through HB 1477, to implement and monitor the progress of the 988 crisis hotline in WA state, and for statewide improvement of behavioral health crisis response and suicide prevention services. • January 1, 2022: first progress report to the Governor and Legislature, including results of comprehensive assessment assessment of the current system and preliminary 988 funding recommendations. • January 1, 2023: Second progress report to the Governor and Legislature, including recommendations related to crisis call center hubs, and final 988 funding recommendations. 				




	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> January 1, 2024: Final report to the Governor and Legislature including recommendations in 13+ areas outlined by the legislation. CRIS webpage: Crisis Response Improvement Strategy (CRIS) committees Washington State Health Care Authority Public comment: HCAprogram1477@hca.wa.gov Future work: create an integrated behavioral health client referral system including a real time bed count, track local responses, track call outcomes, provide person-centered services, consult with tribal governments, assure collaboration, etc. 			
6.	ESB 5476/Blake Bill	9:30am (30 min)	Tony Walton (HCA)	 6. ESB 5476_BlakeBill.pdf
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2016: State v. Blake – Shannon Blake was arrested and convicted of Unlawful Possession of a Controlled Substance. 2021: Supreme Court decision ruled Controlled Substance Statute (RCW 69.50.4013) unconstitutional. Judicial opinion was law lacked <i>mens rea</i> element, which allowed for prosecution of unknowingly possessed illegal substances. ESB 5476, Changes to the Criminal Legal System Statute revisions: added word “knowingly” to possession of controlled substance, counterfeit substance, and legend drugs; possession of a controlled substance or counterfeit substance is now a misdemeanor; removed personal use language from drug paraphernalia criminal statutes (e.g. test, analyze, pack, repack, store, contain, conceal, inject, ingest, inhale or otherwise introduce into the human body). Provisions expire July 1, 2023, at which time the statutes revert to the previous language unless the legislature extends or enacts new legislation. Basic Law Enforcement Academy Training developed and implemented by July 1, 2022 regarding interaction with persons with substance use disorders including persons with co-occurring substance use and mental health conditions, and training on referring individuals to treatment and recovery services, and the unique referral process for youth. Amendments to Chapter 10.31 (warrants and arrests): directs police officers to refer individuals with substance use disorders to community-based programs, including youth, adult, or mobile crisis response services. Prosecutors are encouraged to divert cases for assessment, treatment or other services. State v. Blake ESB 5476 and behavioral health expansion Bill summary and fact sheet Questions? Contact Tony.Walton@hca.wa.gov 			
7.	1115 Waiver Update (Medicaid Transformation Project)	10:00am (15 min)	Michael Arnis (HCA)	 7. MTP Renewal - Title XIX AC Briefing.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Current 2017-2021. Extension 2022 (received verbal commitment from CMS we will receive approval in mid-December). Renewal - 2023-2027 (submit application mid-2022), community-based care coordination hub & payment for health-related social needs. MTP current efforts: 1) Transformation through Accountable Communities of Health (ACH) and Indian Health Care Providers; 2) Long-term services and supports; 3) Foundational Community Supports; 4) Substance use disorder IMD; and 5) Mental health IMD. MTP extension 2022: receive federal approval in mid-December, bridge year to the renewal, and focus on significant projects with ACHs. 2023-2027 renewal work: LTSS & FCS policy tweaks, and significant additions: 1) re-entry services, 2) continuous enrollment for children, and 3) expanded postpartum coverage. Developments: 1) community-based care coordination Hub, and 2) payment for health-related social needs (housing, employment, meals, education, transportation and case management). More information can be found on our website: https://www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/medicaid-transformation-project-mtp 			
8.	Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Update	10:15am (15 min)	Quyên Huynh (HCA)	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Made significant changes since joined agency in April 2021. Adopted health equity definition from Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. 			

<https://www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/apple-health-medicaid/medicaid-title-xix-advisory-committee>



- Created health equity vision “HCA employees embody a culture in which we openly recognize health inequities and are empowered to work together, with the people we serve, to reduce inequities through fair and equitable distribution of programmatic, financial and informational resources.”
- Current health equity work: liaison role and liaison committees. They serve as a bridge to help connect our health equity work across the agency. As part of their work, liaisons serve on committees that focus on 1) creating a database of health equity projects/efforts; 2) developing an agency-wide health equity training; 3) applying a health equity lense to our work; and 4) developing a process for which to share health equity efforts across the agency.
- Other work already done: infrastructure design for HCA internally. 1) Change in position descriptions to include health equity language; 2) creation of HE toolkit; 3) establish the Collaborative Community for Health Equity; and 4) creation of Health Equity Liaison roles.
- Phase 2: Ongoing Communication & Training: created internal and external websites, monthly health equity spotlight, and knowledge gap assessment/training design (Trauma Informed Principles).
- Phase 3: External Engagement to Address Health Disparities: Interagency collaborations to advance health equity (Governor’s Interagency Council on Health Disparities & Health Equity Zone – collaborating with DOH); imbedding the equity lens in all core businesses including the bill analysis process and the 1115 waiver renewal; health disparities issues (SUDs, maternal/child health in women in color, mental health care access, standardized collection on race, ethnicity, language data within and between agencies; and incentivizing trauma informed principles).
- More information can be found here: <https://www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/health-equity>.
- Questions? hcaequality@hca.wa.gov

9.	Maternal Child Health Project	10:30am (15 min)	Beth Tinker (HCA)	 9. IMI Midwifery LC.pptx
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- Midwifery Learning Collaborative, kickoff was September 2021.
- Overarching goal – reduce maternal health disparities and improve birth outcomes.
- A three year learning collaborative with five states (WA, CA, KY, MI and AZ).
- Funded by W.K. Kellogg Foundation.
- WA State team consists of HCA, UnitedHealthcare, Community Health Plan of WA, Quilted Health, The Maternal Coalition, and Global Midwifery Services.
- Charge is to identify long-term solutions to integrating, implementing and funding midwifery-led care in WA.
- Mission – to improve birth outcomes, birth satisfaction, and birth equity by increasing the adoption of midwifery care by Apple Health Medicaid members.
- Project – spread/adapt early care midwife telehealth visit to CHPW and UHC members; measure and track uptake by demographic factors; measure impact on rates of labor inductions, c-sections, adverse neonatal outcomes and patient satisfaction; and cost.
- [Improving Maternal Health Access, Coverage and Outcomes in Medicaid Report](#)
- [Additional information from Institute for Medicaid Innovation](#)
- Questions? Elizabeth.Tinker@hca.wa.gov

10.	Wrap-up <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Next meeting: Feb. 25, 9-11am • Agenda items for next meeting 	10:45 (10 min)	Bob Marsalli	
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- Legislative session status update – Jason McGill & Evan Klein

Future meeting agenda items:

- Invite Allison Wedin back at a later date for a 988 update
- Invite Michael Arnis back for more MTP updates
- Invite Beth Tinker back for another maternal child health project update

Meeting adjourned 10:45am

