

## **Title XIX Advisory Committee**

March 26, 2021 | 8:30am - 12:00pm Zoom meeting link:

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**Call-in option:** 253-215-8782 **Meeting ID:** 929 7222 4995

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	Committee Members:							
	CHAIR: Marsalli, Bob (WACH)			$\boxtimes$	Safford, Caitlin (Amerigroup)			
	<b>EXEC SPONSOR:</b> Lindeblad, MaryAnne	$\boxtimes$	Graham, Alec (DSHS)	$\boxtimes$	Sawyckyj, Kristina (Consumer Advocate)			
$\boxtimes$	Burke, Monica (DOH)	$\boxtimes$	Herrin, Bradley (Pediatrician, Swedish)	$\boxtimes$	Shepard, Jeb (WSMA)			
	Busz, Andrew (WSHA)	$\boxtimes$	Johnson, Laura (UnitedHealthcare)	$\boxtimes$	Tufte, Janice (Patient Advocate)			
$\boxtimes$	Carpeneti, Lia (CHNWA)	$\boxtimes$	Linares, Adriana (Physician, Peacehealth SW)	$\boxtimes$	Van Pelt, Theresa (Parent Advocate)			
	Christian, Ann (WA Council for BH)	$\boxtimes$	Lovell, Emily (WSDA)					

	Stakeholders & HCA Staff:							
$\boxtimes$	Campbell, Kodi (HCA, notes)	$\boxtimes$	Linke, Taylor (HCA)	$\boxtimes$	Shera, Kris (HCA)			
	Carrell, Becky (HCA)	$\boxtimes$	McGill, Jason (HCA)	$\boxtimes$	Venuto, Liz (HCA)			
	Chen, Christopher (HCA)	$\boxtimes$	Miller, Joan (WA Council for BH)	$\boxtimes$	Waterland, Keri (HCA)			
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	Kramer, Karin (HCA)	$\boxtimes$	Prasad, Shirley (HCA)					
	Langer, Michael (HCA)	$\boxtimes$	Rector, Bea (DSHS)					

#	Agenda Items	Time	Lead	Notes/Handouts
1.	Roll call and welcome	8:30 am <i>(5 min)</i>	Bob Marsalli, Chair	Welcome new member: Dr. Adriana Linares (Physician, Peacehealth SW)
2.	Group check-in	8:35 am (10 min)	Bob Marsalli/Kodi Campbell	Missy Martin and Stacy Buck joined for a Menti trivia quiz about Washington State
3.	Approval of 1/22/2021 meeting minutes	8:45 am <i>(5 min)</i>	MaryAnne Lindeblad	ACTION: Approved
4.	2021-2022 State Opioid and Overdose Response Plan overview	8:50 am (40 min)	Kris Shera	(Follow-up from 11/13/20 meeting)  SOORP.pptx

- See attached slide deck.

- Website: State Opioid and Overdose Response (SOOR) plan | Washington State Health Care Authority



- Next deadline for revisions: June 1. After that, every three months.
- Health Equity, social justice, and strategy manager Quyen Huynh begins on 4/1. (ACTION: invite Quyen to a future meetings)
- Goals of Response Plan: 1) Prevent opioid misuse; 2) Identify and treat substance use disorder; 3) Ensure and improve the health and wellness of individuals that use drugs; 4) Use data to detect opioid misuse/abuse, monitor illness, injury, and death, and evaluate interventions; and 5) Support individuals in recovery.
- Drug overdose data received from WA DOH death certificates.
- 2020 OD deaths higher rate than in 2019.
- King County has the highest rates.
- Most of the drug overdose deaths included more than one drug.
- Unsure how much funding we will receive (from settlements) but want to start preparing for when we do get funding and have proposals in hand.
- Not certain if overdose deaths are largely accidental or suicide related, but Dr. Rick Reese at UW is a SME in that area.

5.	Vaccine update from HCA	9:30 am (15 min)	Christopher Chen and Becky Carrell	
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- 3 vaccines available: J&J, Moderna, Pfizer.
- 350k supply per week, will increase in April (by end of April, 600k per week).
- https://www.doh.wa.gov/emergencies/COVID19/Vaccine
- Mass vac sites, Yakima was just set up.
- 2.5 million doses in state so far (about 25% of population).
- Moved to tiers quicker than expected.
- Hoping will be available to all adults in WA state by May 1.
- DOH updated vaccine locator tool last week to help ID available appts (https://vaccinelocator.doh.wa.gov/) in 30 languages.
- Partnering with OIC, DOH & MCOs to ensure our Medicaid clients are getting what they need, we have been holding office hours to answer questions from providers (billing questions, etc.).
- April 1 reimburse rate will be \$40.
- Interpreter at vaccination sites.
- Have been paying Medicare rates since February.

6.	Impact of pandemic on mental and behavioral health and HCA's perspective measures that are being taken and explored	10:00 am (30 min)	Keri Waterland and Michael Langer	WCOMO slides.pptx
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- https://www.crisisconnections.or/washingtonlistens/
- Supporting telehealth for behavioral health providers.
- Telehealth brought families together and helped people to stay in treatment for Substance Use Disorder.
- HCA distributed thousands of phones to tribes, Apple Health clients, and Foundational Community Support clients.
- The phones had 400 talk minutes and unlimited data (texting and internet).
- HCA provided zoom licenses and loaner laptops across the state. This made it possible for providers in small clinics to provide telehealth services.
- PPE surveyed behavioral health providers across the state about PPE needs, provided PPE and fit testing for N95 masks.
- We worked with the Managed Care Organizations on reconfiguring payments for telehealth and provided behavioral health providers with stabilization funding.
- HCA hosted bi-weekly calls with behavioral health providers focusing on billing, vaccines, testing and behavioral health needs.
- HCA increased funding for non-Medicaid prevention, treatment, and recovery service providers.
- We received funds from SAMHSA and FEMA to stand up Washington Listens (a free, confidential phone line for people who are stressed but not in crisis).
- We collaborated with the Department of Health (DOH): added content to the Coronavirus mental health and well being page, led statewide public messaging around mental and emotional well-being, participated in the "Spread the Facts" campaign, and produced an extensive library of infographics, articles, and resources.
- During the first quarter of 2021, over 800k adults reported they needed mental health services but did not receive them.
- Alcohol and marijuana revenue are way up!

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- Next meeting discuss what passed, what didn't, etc.
- Senate Budget was released yesterday, House budget should be released today.
- Primary Care Physician rate increases of certain evaluation and management codes up by 15% beginning October 1 & Pediatric and neonatal intensive and critical care E&M codes will receive an increase starting October 1. Reminder this is in the proposed budget, it's not final yet.
- Adult dental rates up by 100% is being proposed.
- Provider rate increases for behavioral health services up 15% in October.
- Increase for family planning clinics, increasing to Medicare rate, effective October 1.
- \$150 million for foundational public health services.
- Rate increases for individuals being served in the developmental disabilities delivery system, home and community services, expanding some waiver opportunities, etc. There is much more, but that is a high-level overview.
- Behavioral health looking at how to increase capacity including community based in-patient services. Working to downsize the state hospital. Looking at reducing civil awards at Western & Eastern State Hospitals.
- Federal level: COFA islanders now have access to Medicaid.
- The American Rescue Plan is offering an opportunity for one-year post-partum coverage option at full benefit.
- 1348, House Davis Bill, addresses more of the population in jails.
- 5304, Senate Bill, addresses long-term jail population, providing reentry services and making sure that the reentry process is as seamless as can be as far as providing medical and behavioral health services to individuals.
- Naloxone access bill to provide naloxone more generally for those with substance use disorder.
- HB 1477 90-day bill implementing 988 and moving away from the 10-digit national suicide prevention lifeline.
- Medicaid transformation project submitted application to extend our 1115 waiver by one year and that was approved in the Senate budget. Waiting to see if it will be approved in the house budget as well, then wait for CMS approval.

8.	American Rescue Plan	11:00 am <i>(30 min)</i>	MaryAnne Lindeblad	NAMD Memo - American Rescue Pla
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- Passed by Congress, significant dollars invested in states.
- Mandatory coverage for COVID-19 testing and treatment, 100% match starting April 1, 2021, will end post pandemic.
- One-year post-partum coverage that is optional for states to take, available on both Medicaid and children's health program side, starting April 2022. Will require a state plan amendment we will start moving forward to get that approval.
- Increased federal money for community-based mobile crisis services, will be available for three years. This applies to mobile crisis teams that go out when there is a 988 (mental health crisis) call. They will make an assessment if they can address the patient or if they need to go to an emergency room or evaluation and treatment center.
- 10% increase in FMAP for home and community-based services to improve activities. Those services are primarily operated through the aging and long-term services administration (ALTSA) and the DDA.
- Some dollars for strike teams to assist nursing homes with COVID outbreaks, for DSHS.
- There is a lot of additional resources to address both physical and behavioral health needs over the next few years. The Biden administration has come out and said the public health emergency will likely be extended through the end of the year. They have assured states that they will get at least a 60-day notice.

	Wrap-up			
9.	<ul> <li>Next meeting: May 21, 9:00- 10:00am</li> <li>Agenda items for next meeting</li> </ul>	11:30 am (10 mins)	MaryAnne Lindeblad	

- Bob Perna is leaving the group after the May meeting, thank you for your participation and engagement.
- Janice Tufte stepping down in June but will still participate in meetings when possible.
- Budget, legislative & federal update ARPA (MAL)
- Vaccine update