

# Health and Safety Subcommittee

of the CoC Collaborative Committee

Minutes for January 24, 2023

**In attendance:** Chris Barber, Jayne Downing, Michael Keuler, Kristin Kuenz-Barber, Cyndi Leinassar, Elaine Lozier, Christina McCollum, Kat Mullins, Kathy Savicki, Janet Scott, Josie Silverman-Mendez, Rylie Tiffin, Kari Wilhite

**Visitors:** Matt Herbert (representing Church at the Park for Sam Dompier)

1. Co-chair, Chris, called the meeting to order at 1:03 pm with a quorum. Attendance listed above.
2. Kari Wilhite made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from December 6, 2022. Jayne Downing seconded the motion. Subcommittee members voted unanimously to pass the motion.
3. Membership review and updates:
  - Committee members suggested the following additions and/or modifications to the subcommittee roster:
    - o Individual(s) with lived experience (Rylie will reach out to Matt Maceira, Chris also knows a CHW who may be a good fit)
    - o Certified recovery supports (Christina will reach out to her contacts)
    - o More housing organization representatives, including someone from Mid-Valley Community Action Agency
    - o More rural representatives, perhaps North Marion County/Woodburn
    - o JD Health and Wellness
    - o Anne Marie Banfield or Debbie Wells from Salem Psych Crisis Center
    - o Marion County and Polk County representatives expressed the interest in re-considering who is best suited to attend on behalf of their agencies
4. The CoC collects attestations from all committee members annually.

**Action Item:** Chris will work with Jan on distributing and collecting annual attestations.
5. Chris gave a presentation on the Health and Safety Subcommittee at the December Board of Directors' meeting. The directors expressed interest in keeping up to date with the work and supporting the subcommittee. They recommended connecting with Brent DeMoe from Polk County Family and Community Outreach for alignment with his team's work.
6. Josie provided an update on the group previously known as the Acute Care Advisory Council. A core group of individuals is refining the purpose, outlining a foundation and drafting a charter. The Willamette Health Council will reconvene this group in February and re-name it the "BH Crisis Collaborative."
7. Chris is arranging a conversation about utilizing HMIS to identify health issues more quickly and provide services. Cyndi emphasized the need for coordination between health and housing and suggesting utilizing nurse help lines to aid in assessing health concerns and triage symptoms to deliver appropriate care at an appropriate time. Without housing organizations listed as an emergency contact, the hospital cannot share info. **Action:** Let Chris know if you are interested in joining a one-time data conversation.
8. Chris has had conversations with Stephen Goins and Jimmy Jones about training opportunities.

**Action Item:** Chris will bring ideas back to the group.

9. There is a need to revisit the CoC's policy on infectious disease.

**Action Item:** Elaine will send out policy to subcommittee members to review.

**Action Item:** Contact Chris if interested in joining a group to discuss. Rylie Tiffin wants to join.

10. Chris adjourned the meeting at 2:00 pm.

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