

**Willapa Community Network
Minutes
September 2, 2015**

Attendees: Doug Sheaffer, Olympia Area Agency on Aging, Mary Goelz, and Sharon Block, Pacific County Health Department, Paul Philpot, Pacific County EDC, Emily Popovich, Timberland Regional Library, Karen Farrell, Willapa Behavioral Health, Carole Halsan, Tim Russ, and Marlynn Jenkins of Willapa Harbor Hospital, Hannah Antokol and Ashley Jarvis, Valley View Health Center, Sarah Glorian, NW Justice, Donna Hallock, Dispute Resolution Center, Cathey McMurry, DSHS, Nora LeBlanc and Nichole Harris, CCAP, Gracie Manlow, TAC, Angela Coulter, CAC-GH, Katherine Lechner, Choice, Kathy Holland, Youth Work Force

I. Call to Order: 11:13 pm

II. Review of the prior meeting minutes: July minutes were approved as read

III. Introductions and Roundtable:

- Cathey McMurry, South Bend DSHS Community Service Office: Administrator is retiring and our office will be supervised out of the Aberdeen office along with the Long Beach office. We are still looking for a social worker to replace Kevin who retired the end of June. We are serving lots of clients right now, very busy.
- Anna Antokol, Valley View Health Center: Krystal has left for a new job in Aberdeen. Our providers attended SBIRT (Screening Brief Intervention and Referral to Treatment) training for substance abuse assessments (primarily alcohol) on the related to the impact of drugs and alcohol on health outcomes. Great new program for our new patients and now for our current patients being paid by grant money received through Willapa Behavioral Health and Affordable Care.
- Ashley Jarvis, Valley View Health Center: We have hired a new manager. Her name is Christyn Delgado.
- Doug Schaffer, Olympic Area Agency of Aging: Continuing to do a lot of work on caregiver support services, Medicare information, Apple Health, senior legal advice clinics, have a opening for a family caregiver support coordinator housed in the Raymond office and support the whole county. There are a couple of events happening. At Ocean Beach Hospital on Sept. 26th from 8am to 1pm will have their annual health fair and Oct. 1st at the Fire Department in Ocean Park there will be a Medicare Outreach Program for people new to Medicare or those who need additional information. The Medicare F Plan will be going away in a few years. Call offices for information on Medicare Supplemental Plans, Medi-gap plans, Medicare D open enrollments starts October 15th.
- Nora LeBlanc, Coastal Community Action Program-Housing/Emergency Assistance/Weatherization/Nutrition: We hired Lead for Housing that will start on the 21st of Oct., we did a school distribution in Raymond for about 180 people attending and the extras went to the Raymond Elementary and High Schools and the balance will go to South Bend today, gearing up for energy assistance outreach Oct 1 then online in Nov.
- Donna Hallock, Dispute Resolution Center: We have a program call WITT (We're In This Together) program for youth and parents in Pacific & GH County, a core remediation training coming up on the Thursday, Friday and Saturday the first weekend in Nov. and Friday and Saturday the second weekend in Nov. The cost is \$99 at our center. Anywhere else the cost would be \$500 to \$1,700.

- Katherine Lechner, Choice Regional Health Network: (Cascade Pacific Action Alliance-a group of seven counties) are in talks to write a letter of commitment to the State for the Medicaid Global Waiver that they have applied for.
- Paul Philpot, Economic Development Council: Reminded everyone of the Labor Day Parade in South Bend this Sunday, handed out a flyer for the ongoing exporting series of seminars, EDC is launching some business and industries councils, all are welcome to participate, farm tour coming up in Oct. Some issues that have come up with the labor force participation are drug use, educational attainment, homelessness, and health issues. The County will be offering Cert training again in October. Anyone interested can contact the Emergency Management office at the county courthouse or website.
- Sarah Glorian, NW Justice Project: Anthony's fellowship is expiring the third weeks of September and we will be down to a one-attorney office again. Tonya Sheiller is our new legal assistant. The .01% RFP has launched with information on the front of the WCN newsletter. Angela Coulter, Children's Advocacy Center of Grays Harbor: We are providing a parent/child assistance program in Pacific County. We are working with moms who are addicted to drugs who are either pregnant or who are up to six month post delivery. We have been coming down to let everyone know we are here to help these moms and get parents for our program.
- Emily Popovich, Manager at Raymond Timberland Regional Library: Handed out calendars of the events that are happening in all of Pacific County. We partner to have programs so you will see a Fall Prevention program in Naselle and Ilwaco. The South Bend program will be in October. Tomorrow night we will have a local author, Oct. 22 at 8am the Business Forum will have someone to talk about a database for business plan etc. and there will be additional staff to help with the computer databases along with a continental breakfast for those attending. Another program for Raymond, 100 things to do before you grow up.
- Gracie Manlow, Teen Advocacy Coalition: We took four local students two each from Raymond and South Bend to a National CADCA (Community Anti Drug Coalition of America) Conference in Indianapolis in August. This group decided that under age marijuana use was their focus and came up with different causes and how they were going to solve it. The group will be working on this project through the year. Peer Helper Retreat coming up next Saturday through Monday at Fall Creek Retreat Center. All five Pacific County High Schools will be in attendance. We are still looking for an administrative assistant to fill a part time position. Any interested can contact me, Emily, or Sharon. Alyssa Grams the TAC/WCN AmeriCorps volunteer started yesterday.
- Sharon Block, Pacific County Health Department: Still recruiting for the Medical Reserve Corp and collaboration between the Medical Reserve Corp, Cert and Red Cross in case of a disaster. Working on cross training those already a part of these groups or those who are interest in volunteering. Also, Monday Sept 14th the last day of the Peer Helpers Retreat will be a resource fair from 10:30 am to 12:00 pm at Falls Creek Retreat Center for anyone interested in working a booth on volunteer opportunities or activities for youth, anything that the youth can do other than involvement in under age drug and alcohol use. If you can't attend, please send brochures for your organization to Gracie Manlow. Paul asked have the youth talked about easy access to drug and alcohol, boredom or other factors. Sharon stated there is confusion on the legalization of marijuana and mixed messages parents. Gracie stated that the students said there is more use within the youth population due to the fact it is available and we a trying to go into the schools to help prevent this type of activity. Paul asked if there was still interest in opening up activity centers in both ends of the county. Karen and Mary both mentioned to contact Jewel Hardy from ABC (Alliance for a Better Community).

- Mary Goelz, Pacific County Health Department: Still looking for a fulltime registered nurse for our Long Beach office, WellSpring just hired a new coordinator in the Long Beach area, we hire a new human services provider to replace Melissa Sexton, will be taking on the housing coordination funding for Pacific County and will be hiring for a new position in North County that will work on prevention in the schools and housing coordination. In the next month we will get funding through the State for youth suicide prevention and this new position will also take care of this. The .01% sales tax revenue has been higher than anticipated. Back to school stuff: the school nurses that work for the county are back in the schools; state is pushing the HPV vaccine for boys and girls; and we have available some adult TDAP vaccine that we have received from the State for those that fall into the no insurance or under insured.
- Karen Farrell, Board Member for Willapa Behavioral Health: Asked about the TAC/WCN AmeriCorps Volunteer can do some marketing/promoting out to the community for WCN.
- Tim Russ, Willapa Harbor Hospital: Nothing to report.
- Nichole Harris, In Home Care Manager and program specialist at Coastal Community Action Program in Pacific County. North County office is at the Raymond Senior Center on Tuesdays and Thursdays and South County office is at the Ilwaco Senior Center on Mondays, Wednesday and Fridays. We are having hiring events for caregivers next week in Raymond on the 8th from 10am to 2pm and on the 10th in Ilwaco from 10am to 2pm. There is a need for caregivers in South County and the training is paid for.
- Kathy Holland, Youth Career Specialist for the Workforce Investment Opportunities Act. Recently had changes in the program. We now cover 16 to 24 year old youths with focus on the 21 – 24 year olds. We do not have money for hiring ourselves; but we do have money for training, certifications to help young people get employed and on a career path. Office hours from 9am to 12:30 in the Workforce office.
- Paul mentioned that Helaina was unable to attend today because she is at a hiring event. She was sorry she could be here.
- Carole Halsan, CEO of Willapa Harbor Hospital: We are continuing to search for a physician. We have talked to several from all over the county. Most do not want to work in general practice because there is more to be made in the specialties.
- Cathey McMurry mentioned there is a real need for childcare in North and South County.

IV. Old Business: None

V. New Business: Carole report on the repair of the Cedar Conference Room through September and October. Space will be limited for our next meeting.

1. Mary Goelz mentioned that the Secretary of State Mr. Wiseman will be here Oct. 28th 11:45 am. We would love for people to attend this meeting to get your input. We are trying to use this room but with the construction, we need to see how many will be attending. Will let you know.

VI. Presentation by Carole Halsan, Willapa Harbor Hospital on the History of Health Care: Carole gave a great PowerPoint presentation on the history of health care for hospitals.

VII. Topic for October meeting: Email was sent out to the group with a suggestion on the next topic.

VIII. Adjournment: 1:00 pm Next meeting will be October 7, 2015