

OCEACT Advisory Committee Meeting

1/9/2020



1/9/2020 9:30am-11:30am @ Broadway Commons China Room; 1300 Broadway Ave NE, Salem Oregon, China Room is on the 3rd floor

Call-In Number: 1-800-920-7487 code 4365143#

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Agenda Items:

1. Introductions with news and updates from Oregon ACT teams.
 - a. Attendees:
 - i. Nicole Rockwell – OSH (transitions)
 - ii. Karry T – OSH
 - iii. Connie – OSH
 - iv. Matt B – Telecare
 - v. Susan – OHA
 - vi. Michele - Tillamook
 - vii. Laura Sloan - Polk
 - viii. Jen Chen – Marion
 - ix. Amber Shuler – CHD
 - x. Thia LaMarche - Lifeworks
 - xi. OCEACT
 1. Christina
 2. Ben
 3. Jeff
 4. Alyssa
 5. Asia
2. Updates from OHA from Brenda Dennis
 - a. OHA releasing \$3.5 M in additional funds to expand ACT capacity in a few weeks
 - i. Receiving entities will be notified in 2 weeks
 - ii. Targeting areas that will increase ACT participation quickly – areas with unmet need
 - iii. \$500,000 reserved for indigent funding
 - b. OHA will be closely following ACT referral denials
 - i. For those that are denied, CCOs should be issuing Notices of Adverse Benefit Determination so that clients timely receive their rights to appeal, and potentially to request a contested case hearing.
 - ii. OHA in discussions with the Office of Administrative Hearings to request that they assign only Administrative Law Judges who have experience with hearings at OSH

- and have been trained by OSH and DRO regarding mental health disorders and treatment
- c. Oregon Performance Plan is over, but OHA still has the same metrics for goals. Monitored by Behavioral Health Quality Performance Improvement Plan
3. Information on Risk Assessment from Oregon ACT Leadership Members
- a. In previous advisory committee, a request was made to discuss ways other ACT teams in Oregon assess for risk. Alice King from Telecare offered to share and present on their risk assessment at Telecare Inc.
 - i. DTS/DTO (created by Telecare) Assessment done at intake, annually, and whenever they see a need/crisis intervention, etc. Document attached to website [*https://oceact.org/advisory-board/](https://oceact.org/advisory-board/)
 - ii. Helps clinicians know the questions to ask and identify risk factors
4. Heidi Herinckx will provide information on ACT Expansion efforts in Oregon
- a. Based on literature, 85 out of every 100,000 people in the general population will need ACT services. *request literature from Heidi if interested.
 - i. Oregon's capacity based on these numbers should be 2,753 ACT people.
 - 1. Current capacity in Oregon is 1449. Quarter 3, 2019 served 1351 people.
 - a. Reviewed list of act team's and each county's capacity and unmet need
 - i. Document attached to website [*https://oceact.org/advisory-board/](https://oceact.org/advisory-board/)
5. Housing Information and Developments
- a. Susan Lind, housing rep from OHA, presented and asked to discuss barriers and obstacles for ACT participants to find housing.
 - i. Barriers discussed included no unit availability even with vouchers, poor rental histories creating higher deposits, participants not having rental histories from chronic homelessness, high rent for existing properties, lengthy wait lists for affordable housing, and stigma.
 - ii. Susan recommended – knowing rights for housing and suggested getting in contact with Fair Housing Council. When new units are being built, ask for units to be set aside. Sometimes the agency can offer some money to the development so units can be set aside for clients.
 - iii. Housing resources discussed –
 - 1. Oregon Housing Community Services - <https://www.oregon.gov/ohcs/Pages/index.aspx>
 - 2. Fair Housing Training – www.FHCO.org
 - a. Marion reported this training has been helpful to their ACT team to advocate for fair housing for participants.
 - iv. Susan reported there is a group working in Oregon to create permanent supportive housing programs. OHA is trying to make sure that this group is calling out units for ACT population. Susan will send out the list of upcoming units & permanent supportive housing programs list

Next Meeting April 9th, 2019 at Broadway Commons, China Room 9:30 – 11:30 am