

OCEACT Advisory Committee Meeting

10/7/2020



10/7/2020 9:30am-11:30am

Attendees:

Heidi Herinckx/Alyssa Kerlinger - OCEACT
Trish Jordan- Coos
Jen Chun – Marion co
Mary Lingenfelter - Options
Brenda Dennis - OHA
Anna Dennis – Benton Co
Alexis Kruse – Marion Co
Leilani Faber – Lifeways Umatilla
Laurie Wittich – New Directions
Monica Dechert- Yamhill Co
Kevin Brooks – Yamhill Co
Tanika Dumas – Yamhill Co
Stacy Gallinger – Deschutes Co

- a. Brenda Dennis OHA, ACT Program Manager – Updates
 - a. Clarify some Medicaid rules around pre-authorizations – It is not going to happen that CCO's can require ACT referrals to be pre-authorized.
 - b. Trying to pull in FEMA grants. Funded for a flooding event in Umatilla. Grants for COVID. Also grants are expected for wildfires.
 - i. Crisis counseling program – not clinical but community outreach.
 - c. State budget forecast came out last week. Shouldn't look to have a lot of problems with cuts in programs.
 - d. Finishing up with the Oregon Performance Plan. Time frame has concluded. Oregon is still waiting for what the outcome will be and will continue on the OPP. A lot of things that OHA was working on in the OPP will continue on in the Oregon plan for improvement. ACT will be monitored for getting people into services. There has been improvement that was recognized.
 - e. Trish Question: if someone is on 370 and they are found 'able' then are ACT teams still accepting them? Jen said yes. Brenda said, yes they can be accepted. Leilani said that if they don't get an ACT referral then they automatically look if they are eligible for the Jail Diversion program or if they meet ACT criteria.
 - i. Heidi – This may be a topic for further discussion later: Strategies ACT are using to coordinate with mental health courts
- b. Upcoming Roll Out of Common Ground Curriculum
 - a. Link to register will be sent out today. Orientation video is embedded in dashboard on the Academy. It is also posted on our website.
 - b. OCEACT is thinking about using the CommonGround Library as part of TA calls to build a learning community.
- c. OCEACT Forum Feedback

- a. Mary said it was fun to win a coffee gift card for participating on the forum. It made it more exciting, but she still hasn't had any responses to her posed question.
- d. ACT Services and Observations from QAA Procedures
 - a. Intensity of services has been maintained and crisis services as well.
 - b. Staff turnover or leave has increased
 - c. SE has not been as consistent – not surprising due to community changes and lack of employment opportunities. Benton Co has created a great tool for working with people around employment during COVID
 - d. Overall, ACT staff have done a great job providing participants the core services they need. Inpatient care is hard to get right now and that makes our work even more important.
 - e.