

OCEACT Advisory Committee Meeting

10/13/2022



Attendees:

OCEACT: Heidi Herinckx, Alyssa Kerlinger, Liz Middleton

Logan A – Laurel Hill

Thomas L – Laurel Hill

Doug H – Jackson County

Jasmine C – ADAPT Curry County

Luke K – Benton Co

Richelle M & Angella J - OHA

9:30am-10:30am

- OHA Updates
 - ACT Coordinator at OHA – Angella James - Angella.Pulkownik2@dhsoha.state.or.us
 - OHA is trying to streamline the process for receiving requests from teams. OHA is growing but that means some growing pains and they are working on structuring workflow still.
 - There are some workforce grant money's that are going to be available. ACT programs will be at the forefront. This will include sign on bonuses, living stipends, and possibly assistance for student loan repayments. The information will be passed through OCEACT to teams as soon as more information is available.
 - In the future, they will be working on streamlining ACT referrals. A workgroup will be created. ACT teams are able to request being a part of the workgroup to discuss improving the process of referring individuals for ACT.
 - Richelle Murray was also in attendance and oversees and supports Angella James at OHA.
 - New initiatives: increased behavioral health rates. These increase are generally about 30%. Some of the services that will see an increase are: Fee for service, MH and Suds clarity, screening assessments and services, and Peer delivered services. Richelle will clarify at OHA if this will translate when using the ACT billing code too.
 - Housing initiatives based on social determinants of health. The awards have been announced and they are working on the contracts now.
 - Future ACT goals: getting ACT participants access to services as fast as possible and maintaining the services available.

- OCEACT is interested in what is the actual need of the community for ACT. Some programs have not looked at the need when figuring the size of the program at startup. How can we build flexibility in the system to expand based on the need for individuals to get ACT level of care.
- CPMC Updates
 - Cohort #3 is starting October 18th. This is a full cohort already. Please reach out to anyone from OCEACT or OSECE to get put on the waitlist for cohort #4. Our website has some more details: <https://oceact.org/certified-personal-medicine-coaching/>
- Nurse Competencies Project Updates
 - Heidi and Paula Gubrud presented on the nurse competencies project at the National Assertive Community Treatment (ACT) Virtual Consultation Meetings through Northwest MHTTC on October 3rd. You can view the presentation here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zz9TJZqx4jQ>
 - OCEACT will be interviewing several people for the nurse consultant position over the next couple months.
 - ACT participant interviews are still going on and are available to be done in person or over the phone with Alyssa Kerlinger. Getting input from participants is critical to doing research that promotes person-centered care. ACT participants have an opportunity to earn \$20 by participating in a one-time brief (30-60 minute)
- OCEACT website updates
 - OCEACT has been doing an overhaul of the OCEACT website: <https://www.oceact.org>
 - Many trainings and resources that were spread out across the site have been condensed to the new Resource Library: <https://oceact.org/resources/>. You can filter the list of resource pages by clicking a category at the top of the page. Each ACT Team Role has a page with tools, resources, a brief breakdown of the role and summary of duties. There are evidence-based practices, general clinical resources for all staff to utilize, and resources for implementing ACT as well as going through fidelity. Please check out the page and explore the resource library! We will be continuing to add material.
 - Soon there will be an 'event calendar' that will be under the Training Tab → OCEACT Statewide Trainings → Upcoming Trainings (<https://oceact.org/project/upcoming-trainings/>). This page will contain a calendar with all statewide trainings, technical assistance calls, consultations, and conferences.
 - Check out the Outcomes Tab. There are a few new pages that breakdown tools and resources for ACT Reporting as well as a page highlighting Oregon ACT Research.
 - Under the News tab, we have added a page just for Oregon ACT job postings and we have moved the COVID page and Newsletters under this tab as well.
 - Please take a few minutes to explore the website and we hope that it is more user friendly and offers better access to tools, resources, and trainings/events.
- Questions & Comments