

# Data Advisory Committee Meeting

## 11/22/2023



**1:00pm-2:00pm**

### Attendees:

Michelle Briggs –laurel hill  
Kathy bootes – Laurel Hill  
Virginia Bock - Options for Southern Oregon  
Andrea Garber – NARA  
Lis Ovando – Jackson County Mental Health  
Alysa Rider – Klamath Basin  
Heidi Herinckx – OCEACT  
Alyssa Kerlinger – OCEACT

### AGENDA:

- Referral Timing
  - Dates of determination are dates that the team decides the individual meets criteria to enroll onto the ACT team and the team notifies the referring source that they will accept the individual or not.
  - System issues are causing individuals to sometime never get enrolled onto the team if they were referred to multiple places. We would assume that most referrals who are accepted get enrolled onto the team, but that doesn't always occur and that is okay. The date of determination is not necessarily the date that they are enrolled onto the team either.
- Hotels considered homeless still
  - If someone is in a transitional housing or hotel, please still report this as "shelter, couch surfing, transitional" and you are welcome to add specificity in the 'other' box but then for the homeless variable it would still be considered homeless (45 or more days). This includes longer term stays in hotels or transitional facilities, even if they have a kitchenettes, take HUD vouchers, income support, etc.
- It was brought up that the Medication management question doesn't feel consistent and nor does it give a feel for the person.
  - Virginia asks nurse and gets opinion
  - Michelle asks nurse but they don't always really know if they are taking medication or liking it. Sometimes it is unknown. Depending on who on the team asks the participant, they will change their answer if they like taking meds. It's hard to get the team to come to a consensus and can take hours to compile this one variable. It doesn't feel like this data is useful.
  - Virginia mentioned the only for sure data is when the nurse gives an injectable and then that information is accurate.
  - Heidi: we haven't really revisited the domains we collect for a while. It might be something that we look at to see:

- How are we using the info
  - What are the Important pieces and how are utilizing the data
  - Aim to streamline
  - Over time as we analyze these data, probably the medication adherence question doesn't rise to the most important.
  - Maybe look at more recovery oriented data or just remove what isn't.
- Virginia noted that Jackson County jail and arrests are hard to track
  - Michelle B uses the jail site lock up list and checks daily
  - Virginia said also that Parole and court dates are hard to check (michelle noted that if the participant doesn't tell them then the team doesn't know and the same for virginia)
  - NARA has to check Washington, Clackamas, Multnomah, it is impossible to track all three jails. They also report what they hear from the participant.
  - Lane county uses a website that kind of lets the case managers know (VINE) when someone is in jail, but aside from that they don't know if people go into jail very well. If the person has been there over and over, then the jail knows they take meds and they will send for someone from Laurel Hill to take down meds. If team hasn't seen someone recently then they check surrounding area jails.
  - Virginia does check jail logs but it is hard to know that you are getting accurate information. Virginia hopes that the info the team gives her is correct. Wishes there was a better system for tracking dates.
  - Also, Michelle said it is hard knowing if it is a new charge or warrant or just not showing up to jail for the last one.
  - Andrea reported they use the Oregon department of justice website to look up court case info. Names and date of birth (closed cases, open cases, warrant, anything that is public knowledge)
    - Go to: <https://www.courts.oregon.gov/how/pages/find.aspx> then click on "Search for Free Records Now", then click on "Online Record Search", click "Smart Search". You can click on Advanced Search if you want to get more specific with search criteria.
  - Another helpful tool is making sure that the Crisis line is well informed – send an alert to crisis line (what works for individual and not, medications, who their Tx team is and preferred hospitals, etc.) if law enforcement has contact then they can reach out to crisis team who can pass this along to police and make sure to connect with ACT Team.
- Monitoring for Data Accuracy Across Outcomes
  - Alyssa showed how to double check report for completion by exporting report, making sure all fields are answered, and cross checking information such as jail, hospitalizations, etc with living arrangements.
- Questions/Comments