



CPAA Council Meeting Summary: January 13, 2015

Welcome and Introductions

Council members and guests gathered for the January 13th Council meeting of the Cascade Pacific Action Alliance. The focus of this meeting was to provide an update of the recent ACH grant award, review a 6 month work plan for the CPAA, its current governance structure, and to provide an opportunity for shared learning related to legislative updates.

Grant Application Update

- On January 2nd Washington Health Care Authority announced the Cascade Pacific Action Alliance an awardee as a pilot ACH grant recipient. The CPAA will receive \$150,000 over a 6 month time frame to launch an ACH pilot project, develop an ACH readiness proposal and finalize the CPAA governance structure, and complete a regional health improvement plan.

Work Plan Update

- The Council reviewed a draft of the 6 month work plan outlining 3 tracks of work: the ACH Pilot Project; the ACH Structure, Governance and Readiness Proposal; and completion of the Regional Health Improvement Plan.
- A Pilot Project Work Group was formed and includes original members who worked on the project proposal. Subject matter experts from local communities may be involved. This work group roster is attached.
- The current Support Team was reviewed and expanded upon to include the health plans and housing. The roster is attached.

CPAA Governance and Structure

- The Council approved the decision to invite a representative from Sea Mar Community Health Centers to serve in the behavioral health vacant slot. If Sea Mar CHC is unavailable, Willapa Behavioral Health will be explored.
- Tribal engagement ideas were discussed. It was stated that because tribes are separate sovereign entities there cannot be just one person to represent all tribes. It was highly suggested to initiate contact with tribal representatives whom our Council members have successfully partnered in previous work.
- The Council approved adding an additional consumers slot and an ESD #112 slot.
- As agreed by the Council last fall, in February each county may opt to invite one elected official to become a member of the Council.



Shared Learning/Legislative Updates

- The Council checked in with different bills that might pertain to the work of the Alliance. Some of those are The Health Professions Loan Repayment, the Family Care Support Program, and one bill related to Telemedicine. It was noted that the focus of this session will primarily be on education.
- An ideal role in the legislative process emerged from discussion. Ideally, the Council will collect data, study the issue, and propose a recommendation with a targeted response outside of session.
- It was determined that the Alliance will consider doing more in depth work related to legislation in the fall and winter assuming there is continued interest amongst the Council. An agreement was made to have a brief check-in in the future about legislative updates. Follow the [Legislative Session](#) by clicking the link.

Next Steps

The next CPAA Council Meeting will be **February 12, 2015, 1:00-4:00PM**, at Summit Pacific Medical Center in Elma, WA.