



# Youth BH Coordination Pilot Project

## Regional Meeting Summary, 04/26/2016

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### **I. Pilot Site Updates**

#### **Cowlitz**

The group discussed methods for selection of students in the Cowlitz county pilot site, Monticello Middle School. They looked at students “Skyward” data with school district IT and used student attendance, discipline, and at risk index to choose 44 students (about 10% of the student population) to start pilot work with. There was also another group of 30 or so students that have been selected during the school year for severe behavioral health/behavior issues with a new behavior episode during the school year that are being targeted for assistance through the pilot.

A question was raised around using a universal screening tool at the start of the next school year. This was not done previously due to manpower issues and these issues would still exist today. The group discussed bookmarking this as something to explore and work toward. Another question around the connection to coordination with medical care was discussed. Students are assessed by the nurse/coordinator for gaps in medical care when entered into the program and would be connected to services.

The pilot nurse/coordinator is also coordinating with local Juvenile Detention every am on students who are brought in.

#### **Wahkiakum**

The pilot site (John C. Thomas Middle/High School) has received funding from the Great Rivers BHO to hire a mental health position for the school as part of the pilot. They are targeting a mental health therapist and are just beginning looking for position. Realistically they are targeting the beginning of the next school year for this position to start.

#### **Mason and Thurston Counties**

The Mason County pilot site (Pioneer School) has secured funding for a position for the pilot project. This is through the Thurston/Mason BHO which will provide 70% of the funding as long as the school district provides the remaining 30%. Pioneer has agreed to this and are targeting the beginning of the school year as well for this position. In both Mason and Thurston counties, the group is still discussing standard screening tools to capture students with high behavioral health needs.

The Thurston county pilot site (Black Lake Elementary) has had no movement on the BHO’s offer and since their complete change in administration, the efforts have seemed to stall. The local workgroup will attempt to reconnect with them on the project.

### **II. HCA Deliverable: RHIP Action Plan Template and Example**



The group went through the Health Care Authority's deliverable document, and noted the following:

- The Action Plan needs to be delivered to HCA by July 29<sup>th</sup>, 2016.
- The group may want to have multiple Action Plans, one for each site, to capture the differences at each location. It could also be a tied to a central "high level" Action Plan that would be about the overall project.
- There is a section about identifying the connection to the statewide Common Measure Set, which the group would need to work on connecting as it has not yet been done. The group may talk about this at the next meeting.
- Backbone staff will work closely with workgroup leads to develop this document out in the coming months.

### III. Next Steps

- a. The next work group meeting will be:  
**Tuesday, May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2016; 11:00-12:00PM**  
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