

Trillium Community Health Plan North Community Advisory Council (CAC) Meeting Minutes

Thursday, January 2, 2025
10 – 11:30 AM



Attendance

CAC Members Present: Brooklyn, Darren, Jeff, Maddox, McKenzie, and Naomi

Trillium Staff: Brit, Lamar, Ailed, Dominique, Debi, Jeanne, Kendra, Sheri and Mark, OHA Innovator Agent

Welcome and Introductions

Sheri, CAC Coordinator for Trillium, called the meeting to order at 10:06 AM.

Announcements

Sheri opened the meeting to announcements and reminder members that Sharif is still seeking a CAC Co-Chair. It is not required for this person to be a Trillium member. Contact Sharif or Sheri if interested or to learn more.

Public Comment

No public comments

Approvals

November Meeting Minutes: Sheri sent meeting minutes with the agenda and asked members to review meeting minutes and make any changes. No changes noted. Requested a motion to approve. McKenzie motion, Brooklyn second. Motion carried to approve December minutes. All voted to approve.

Trillium Board Report

Jeff reported there was not a North Board meeting in December - no report.

OHA Innovator Agent Update

Mark presented on two changes to OHP taking place 1/1/25. *See presentation.*

- Income eligibility was increased for [Young Adults with Special Health Care Needs](#) (YSCHN) benefit. Decision made by OHA to align with budget and services. Means fewer people are eligible based on income. Budgetary restraint.
- **Contact Mark** if anyone is seeing people impacted by income eligibility.
- **How do Trillium members know about this benefit?** Dominique will take back the Trillium process for how Trillium members access the YSCHN benefit.
- Medicaid expansion for people in jails, prisons and detention centers is delayed a year. Was set to go-live 1/1/2025; It was approved but need to work through requirements with CMS to be able to go-live, including parts of Federal Consolidated Appropriations Act

(FCAA) and 1115 Waiver. The complexity of what is needed to meet 1115 and FCAA requirements with CMS made OHA decide to hold for 1/1/26 launch.

- ***Will those in federal prison be eligible for this benefit when it goes live?*** The current eligibility is for anyone releasing to an Oregon address.
- **Mark** will share any public facing work group asks/needs of the CAC.

CAC Stipend Draft Policy

Sheri reminded attendees that Trillium provides a stipend for consumer/Trillium OHP members that serve on the CAC. The stipend is offered to Trillium members to offset expenses they may take on while participating in meetings or work with the CAC. The Southwest CAC for Trillium has drafted a CAC Stipend Policy to help CAC members know what meetings offer a stipend, the amounts and process for CAC members to request a stipend for non-covered meetings. In Tri-County, members often have questions about what is eligible for a stipend.

- The question for the CAC is would we like a policy or something to outline this for the group? And how do we want to move forward on this?
- Discussion: Consensus is this would be helpful, especially as we work engage new consumer CAC members. The policy should include when an organization presents at the CAC and announces/shares a meeting, it needs to be known ahead of time if the time will stipend. We want CAC members to know before a meeting or event if the time is eligible for stipend.
- Sheri asked if there is a motion for the CAC to develop a Stipend Policy. Brooklyn made the motion, Jeff second. Members voted yes and the motion carried.
- Secondly, Sheri asked if the CAC would host a work session to update the draft policy for Tri-County. Brooklen made the motion, Jeff second and members voted yes, and the motion carried.
- ***Is a quorum needed for the work session?*** No, a quorum is needed to adopt the proposed policy at a CAC meeting.

Sheri will work with CAC members to schedule a work session meeting.

Tribal Engagement Plan for the CAC

Brit Tat, Tribal Liaison with Trillium, shared a plan for Tribal Engagement in the Tri-county. *See presentation.*

- In summary, the plan outlines the 2025 goals for the Tri-County CAC to engage more with tribes and tribal organizations.
- Brit will host quarterly sessions for the CAC to learn more about tribal sovereignty and Governance.
- Brit will schedule learning sessions for tribal leaders and community members open to CAC members.
- Brit will work with the CAC to propose a collaborative community centric project with tribal partners.
- Brit will evaluate the plan and collect data and information needed to monitor and adapt as needed.

- ***How long has this plan been in play? Are the tribes in agreement?*** This is a plan Brit is proposing to the CAC. First time it is being shared. Would like CAC feedback. General feedback from the CAC is it would be good to do this.
- ***When will events be shared?*** Brit will share events as they are scheduled.
- ***Will there be hybrid or virtual opportunities?*** Some events are only in person (like Pow Wow) other will have a hybrid option.
- Mark offered to connect Brit with other Tribal Liaisons in the state for presentations that may be developed for learning sessions or other collaborative projects.

Open Table

- Question about OHP Bridge enrollment numbers. Mark shared enrollment and will provide updates ongoing.

Next Meeting Reminder

- Stiped Policy Work Session – Date TBD
- Member Engagement – January 23rd – HRSN: Housing and Nutrition Benefit
- Next CAC Meeting is Thursday, February 6th, 2025, at 10 AM
- February 27th – Office Hours with Mark at 10 AM