

October 2014

Community Advisory Council

The CAC meeting took place on Monday, Oct 27th at the Carmichael room at Lane County Youth Services. Plans to listen into the Transformation Center's seminar and state-wide CAC meeting had to be dropped due to a poor connection. The audio on the phone was bad, so we were unable to participate. The members who came earlier chose to watch the 1 hour segment of Unnatural Causes instead.

The business meeting was called to order at 12:30. The "getting to know you" exercise was to share a favorite quote or a person you admire. Members were reminded about the Coordinated Care Model Conference in Portland on Dec. 2 and 3. We will have 6 CAC consumer members attending. Several additional members will be attending as well. The CAC is helping develop the poster for the conference.

The RAC reported that the Florence Community Conversation was not well attended, but allowed connections with a state representative and a member of the CAC from the Reedsport CCO. RAC members were disappointed, as they had done a lot of outreach. The Mental Health Summit in Florence was more successful.

The Health Equity Committee reported on the Community Conversation on Equity held on October 9th. Close to 50 people came to discuss how to address the health and education inequities that exist in Lane County. There was clear support for developing a collaborative approach to the issues. There were also many "cautions" about how to proceed. The CAC and CHIP workgroups will continue to work on developing a regional equity coalition.

Leah Edelman gave an overview of the CAC "operating instructions." The goal was to both remind current members and give new members a clear picture of how the CAC works. The presentation covered the development of the CCO and CAC, how decisions are made and the process for approving proposals.

Terry Coplin gave an overview of the highlights from the last two years. He also shared that Trillium has been asked to bring the Lower Umpqua Health District into our CCO. The Columbia Pacific CCO, based in Portland, currently serves the Reedsport area. Terry reported that the Trillium Board had approved the change and that OHA would have to approve it.

Jennifer Webster gave an update on the smoking cessation program for pregnant women, now called Quit Tobacco In Pregnancy or QTIP.