



Central Health Collaborative
- Meeting Minutes -
June 5, 2018

Mission: *To organize healthcare stakeholders by providing a structured forum for sharing valuable knowledge, finding common solutions, and identifying resources to improve health outcomes, improve quality and patient experience of care, lower costs of care, and improve joy of practice in our region.*

Member Attendees: Dr. Kevin Rich, Jennifer Burlage, Ashley Knight, Deena LaJoie, Dr. Karl Watts, Russ Duke, Lyle Nelson, Kelli Badesheim, Luis Lagos (phone), Melissa Dilley, Kim Thurston, Tara Fouts

Guests: Rob Howarth, Missy Goode, L'Tanya Self, Michelle Arnett, Cristina Froude, Melissa Morris (phone), Jeff Crouch (phone)

Agenda Items:

❖ **Medicaid Transformation Update – Jeff Crouch**

Jeff Crouch with Department of Health and Welfare provided an update on the Medicaid ACO structure and timeline. The following is a summary:

- Medicaid project manager is currently scheduling meetings for an independent workgroup called the Southwest Idaho Payment Reform workgroup. This workgroup will be composed of independent groups to review and comment on details for the ACO and Healthy Connections Shared Savings programs. Date and location for meeting TBD.
- Health systems are currently feeling the time constraints of a January, 2019 start date and would like to delay implementation to July, 2019.
- Town Hall meetings will be taking place throughout the month of July (2018) to determine what programs to launch from clinical entities.
- The group posed the question – is there potential for upfront money from Medicaid to help independent providers to start/begin this change? Jeff responded, letting the group know that CMS will not allow for upfront money because the program needs to be cost neutral. This may be a roadblock to independent physicians.
- A similar question was posed related to data – will there be IT support for independent practices in being able to report on performance measures? Since there is no upfront funding available, this is not likely.

❖ **Community Schools Update – Missy Goode & L'Tanya Self**

Missy Goode, Strategic Partnerships Coordinator for Boise School District and L'Tanya Self, Community Schools Coordinator for Morely Nelson Elementary School, provided an update on the Community Schools Initiative. The following is a summary:

- The Community Schools Initiative focuses on bringing resources to the schools and building stronger families in stronger communities. The ultimate goal is academic success.

- Foundational pillars to this model include family engagement, enriched learning, basic needs, school transformation and partnerships.
- All Community Schools in Idaho are 100% free and reduced lunch. Basic needs are being met by a full scale food pantry at Morely Nelson Elementary School, currently feeding 120 kids and approximately 30 households.
- Kids from neighboring schools and community members from surrounding neighborhoods can access the Community Schools room. Neighboring schools can refer kids into the Community School room for resources.
- The largest barrier to academic success is access to mental health services. Currently Community Schools has a partnership with Optum and Terry Reilly Health Services to embed behavioral health consultants in schools three days per week. Optum processes billing through Medicaid.
- The ultimate goal would be to merge medical care with Community Schools, having physicians referring to Community Schools, sharing information, embedding physicians and dentists onsite and being able to bill for services.
- Transportation and housing are also becoming huge barriers and more and more families are having to move to Meridian – two families doubling up in two bedroom apartments. One-third of students at Frank Church High school are homeless. Currently have one full-time homeless liaison working onsite at Frank Church.
- Coordinators are currently tracking what resources are being provided, including classes and what/how many partnerships are being developed. Currently looking at the data in aggregate but would like to actually measure the outcome and be able to demonstrate data. Also working on what to measure for the coming school year including math and reading scores, tracking attendance and tardiness.
- Community Schools is currently working with Blue Cross of Idaho Foundation for Health to develop of tracking software for this initiative.
- National examples include – Vancouver public school system and Johns Hopkins. Johns Hopkins runs 5 to 6 Community Schools in Baltimore, utilizing the schools as an outpatient service provider.

❖ Pathways Planning

Melissa Dilley reviewed the results of the Pathways survey. The Top 5 Pathways chosen by CHC members included access to behavioral health services, social service referral, housing, health insurance and connection to patient-centered medical home. CHC members discussed next steps for the Pathways project. The following is a summary:

- Members suggested taking some time to expand on the Pathways survey. We want to ensure that the Pathways chosen are more comprehensive across all populations and not necessarily focused on one population.
- We want this program to be transferrable and scalable to any community within our state. However, we need to start small and work on something that will hopefully positively impact the next generation of families.
- There is a need to determine whether or not a Pathways HUB software would add value to the work that Community Schools/CHWs are doing, not duplicate their efforts.

❖ Next Steps

1. Partner with Community Schools – Missy Goode to send out contact list of all Community Schools Coordinators to the group
2. Melissa Dilley to work with Missy Goode to schedule a Community Schools room tour at one of the local Community Schools.
3. Melissa Dilley to schedule a meeting with stakeholders from the Boise School District on the shared value of a Pathways database for Community Schools and CHWs. Missy to assist in connection to Stacey Roth.

❖ Next Meeting:

Tuesday, August 7, 2018

1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

❖ Location:

**Central District Health Dept. /Syringa Room
707 N. Armstrong Pl, Boise, ID 83704**