

**Local Government Advisory Committee  
Room 473, Human Services Building, Salem  
April 11, 2008  
Minutes**

**ATTENDING**

Ben Boswell	Wallowa County Commissioner
Janet Carlson	Marion County Commissioner
Jared Clark	DHS – Transformation Initiative Team
Morgan Cowling	Association of Oregon Counties
Ron Dodge	Polk County Commissioner
David Foster	DHS – Transformation Initiative Team
Gordon Fultz	Association of Oregon Counties
Sharon Guidera	Assoc. of Oregon Community Mental Health Programs
John Hartner	Oregon Association of Community Corrections
Tony Howell	League of Oregon Counties
Chuck Hurliman	Tillamook County Commissioner
George Kloeppe	Lane Council of Governments
Linda Modrell	Benton County Commissioner
Madeline Olson	DHS – Transformation Initiative Team
Fariborz Pakseresht	DHS – Transformation Initiative Team
Anne Peltier	Conference of Local Health Officials
Clyde Saiki	DHS – Deputy Director
Jessica van Diepen	Assoc. of Oregon Community Mental Health Programs
Bill Wagner	Cascades West Council of Governments
Sandy Wood	Division of Medical Assistance Programs

**WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**

Chuck Hurliman called the meeting to order and roundtable introductions were made. The minutes from the March meeting were approved and there were no additions to the agenda.

**DIRECTOR’S REPORT/LEGISLATIVE UPDATE – Clyde Saiki**

Clyde Saiki deferred to Patty O’Sullivan to discuss the February Legislative Session and Fariborz Pakseresht to update LGAC on the Transformation Initiative.

**TRANSFORMATION INITIATIVE UPDATE – Fariborz Pakseresht**

The transformation team has completed some benchmarking and base lining with partners, providers and employees. Fariborz discussed what has been accomplished

with the transformation project and what will be happening over the next few weeks to complete Phase I. The roadmap report is due by 2<sup>nd</sup> week of June.

Please fill out all surveys when asked for data by DHS/McKinsey. It would be helpful to copy the commissioners to assist in follow up of non-responses to the surveys.

**Action Item:**

Fariborz will check on the identifiers on the surveys and connect with commissioners for any non-responses.

**DHS POLICY OPTION PACKAGES – Patty O’Sullivan**

Each division has developed their own process for policy option packages that included input from partners and advocates to come up with a list. The department submitted 75 legislative concepts last Friday and the list of policy option packages are due by June 1.

DHS is taking a different approach by forwarding what the needs of the system are rather than what we could get.

Community Forums are scheduled around the state. Meetings will be held in Eugene, Medford, Portland, Salem, Lincoln City, Pendleton and Bend. A request was made to add teleconference sites at The Dalles or Hood River.

**Action Item:**

The community forum flyer will be emailed to LGAC.

**COUNTY PAYMENTS TASK FORCE UPDATE – Clyde Saiki**

Clyde Saiki gave an update on the county payments task force related to timber payments. The Governor appointed Tim Nesbitt to convene groups of local people and state agencies to see what could be done for the counties heavily impacted by the loss of federal timber revenue and ways to mitigate that impact.

The final report for the Human Services task force is out with recommendations for public health; seniors, mental health/alcohol and drug and developmental disabilities.

## **UPDATE ON SIMPLIFICATION OF RULES AROUND DOCUMENTATION – Madeline Olson**

Madeline Olson reported that after a staffing delay, a very ambitious work plan has been developed to address the rules by the end of this calendar year. Many of the outdated rules that have not been used in years have already been removed.

### **Action Item:**

Madeline Olson will provide LGAC with the number of rules abolished.

## **UPDATE ON PSRB COMMITTEE – Madeline Olson**

The Governor's Office has taken the lead with the PSRB Siting Workgroup with Joe O'Leary and Claudia Black heading it up. The next meeting is scheduled for April 21, 2008.

Suggestions from LGAC are:

- What are the needs of the people being released?
- Get suggestions from DAs regarding where to locate people in the community
- PSRB should share information with DA of county the individual is going to as well as the county that people are leaving.

## **AOC HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT – Janet Carlson**

The AOC Human Services Steering Committee meeting begins at 12:30 p.m. today. Marc Kane, Hire Calling will be presenting today, also a discussion on the Governor's Task Force on the timber payments.

## **NEXT MEETING/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Acute Care Hospital Access – suggested by Sharon Guidera

Transformation for Mental Health - Madeline Olson

Oregon Health Fund Board – Barney Speight (suggested by Gina Nikkel)

Public Health Interim Director – Dr. Michael Skeels

Update on the Approach to Congressional Delegation – suggested by Tony Howell

\*Senior Facilities Not Accepting or Dropping Medicaid/Medicare or Having to

Move a Person Further from Family – suggested by Chuck Hurliman

\*Escalation of Hospital Costs – What is Causing This? – suggested by Chuck Hurliman

\*First discussion at AOC, then bring forward to LGAC