

**Local Government Advisory Committee
Room 473, Human Services Building, Salem
May 9, 2008
Minutes**

ATTENDING

Randy Blackburn	DHS – Federal Financial Policy
Katherine Bradley	DHS – Public Health Division
Marcia Clark	Commission on Children and Families
Linda Fleming	Conference of Local Health Officials
Gordon Fultz	Association of Oregon Counties
Bruce Goldberg	DHS – Director
Sharon Guidera	Mid-Columbia Center for Living
Bill Hall	Lincoln County Commissioner
John Hartner	Oregon Association of Community Corrections
Tony Howell	League of Oregon Cities
Chuck Hurliman	Tillamook County Commissioner
Cathy Iles	DHS – Administrative Services Division
George Kloepfel	Lane Council of Governments
Steve Modesitt	DHS – Public Health Division
Linda Modrell	Benton County Commissioner
Jim Neely	DHS – Children, Adults and Families Division
Bob Nikkel	DHS – Addictions and Mental Health Division
Gina Nikkel	Assoc. of Oregon Community Mental Health Programs
Clyde Saiki	DHS – Deputy Director
Patti Seastrom	DHS – Transformation Initiative Team
Mary Shortall	Multnomah County Aging and Disability Services
James Toews	DHS – Seniors and People with Disabilities Division
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 April meeting were approved and there were no additions to the agenda.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT/LEGISLATIVE UPDATE – Bruce Goldberg

Community Budget Forums have been taking place around the state to gather community input for the DHS 2009-11 budget. It is clear the need for services far outweigh the amount of revenue. The discussion with the communities visited is

around a needs-based budget and what the priorities of DHS should be for the coming biennium.

The next E-Board is scheduled for June 25-26, 2008 and the next revenue forecast is due out by the first or second week of June. There is concern that the forecast will not be favorable.

The Medicaid Audit Workgroup held their first meeting yesterday and began to develop an outline of what needs to be accomplished both short and long term.

DHS KEY PERFORMANCE MEASURES – Cathy Iles

Cathy briefly discussed the DHS key performance measures handout. The key performance measures are the highest level department performance measures. DHS has many other internal performance measures that are important and tracked at a more detailed level. DHS would like feedback by May 27, 2008. Please send any suggestions to Cathy Iles at cathy.f.iles@state.or.us

Action Item:

Cathy Iles will send the key performance measures handout to Diana to email to LGAC.

INTEROPERABILITY – Katherine Bradley/Steve Modesitt

Interoperability is the ability of one computer system to exchange data with another computer system and to use that information intelligently.

Public Health and CLHO met to work out a plan. There are many different data systems in use around the state by counties and local public health departments. The issue is to figure out how to get those systems to communicate accurately at a reasonable cost.

After significant research of the situation, Public Health and CLHO decided that because of the enormity of issues and the cost involved in changing current systems, it was not possible to accomplish at this time.

SB 5520 BUDGET NOTE – Clyde Saiki/Gordon Fultz

In 2005, the Legislature added a budget note to SB 5520 that requires the counties to quantify their contributions into the following eight systems: Assessment and Taxation, Community Corrections, District Attorney, Economic Development, Juvenile, Mental Health, Public Health, and Veterans.

Gordon Fultz distributed a handout for the eight areas analyzed by AOC. The handout shows the amount of resources contributed by the counties for each area. It is clear that if one part of the system is lacking resources it can adversely impact other parts of the system. DHS will work on demonstrating to the Legislature what will happen if the funding for those needs is not met.

AOC HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT – Bill Hall

The AOC Human Services Steering Committee meeting begins at 12:30 p.m. today. The agenda will include an update on the DHS Transformation Initiative, update on the Veterans Services Workgroup, discussion on Emergency Preparation for Vulnerable Populations, as well as Commissioners' Role in Mental Health and Public Health Authority, and Affiliate Reports.

NEXT MEETING

Acute Care Psychiatric Hospital Access – suggested by Sharon Guidera
Capacity Assessment Report by CLHO – Linda Fleming
How to Market a Quality Human Services Program – suggested by Gordon Fultz
Transformation Initiative Update – suggested by Gina Nikkel

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

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