

Early Learning Hub of Linn, Benton & Lincoln Counties Health Care Integration Work Group Meeting Minutes

MEETING COMMENCED	9:30 am, December 10, 2024 Online Via Zoom
MEETING CALLED BY	Deanna Barclay
PRESENTERS	Mason Stump, CARDV Education and Outreach Manager Edelyn Medina, CARDV Education and Outreach Specialist
WORKGROUP MEMBERS PRESENT	Ruby Ackermann, Menna Alamia, Laurie Barajas, Carolyn Black, Karol Elizondo, Nilly Livesay, Candace Tawiah, Karen Weiner
STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT	Connie Adams, Kristi Collins, Matt Grams, Antonia Huerta, Sam Rounsavell, Carmen Santacruz, Kelly Schell, Leanne Trask
RECORDED	Yes

Agenda Topics

Discussion Item	Welcome and Introductions
Workgroup members introduced themselves.	

Special Presentation	Center Against Rape and Domestic Violence (CARDV)
<p>Mason introduced the Center Against Rape and Domestic Violence (CARDV). He explained what CARDV is, what their services are, what they provide, and how they provide support to those who are affected by domestic violence or sexual assault.</p> <p>Ed defined some terms used in their agency, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advocate • Survivor • Abuser <p>They discussed what domestic violence/intimate partner violence is and its prevalence in our communities.</p> <p>They shared ways to support a survivor and what to do when someone discloses abuse and trauma.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Believe their experiences and validate their truths. • Think about safety and what the survivor wants to do. • Refer to resources and make sure the survivor is informed of their options. • Listen to understand where they are coming from and meet them where they are at. 	

They shared CARDV Services and what they do for survivors.

- 24/7 crisis and support hotline
- Chat services
- Legal support
- Crisis intervention and hospitals/Sarah's Place
- Law enforcement accompaniment
- Confidential Emergency Shelter
- Community resource navigation
- Training and presentations

The workgroup asked if CARDV was a statewide service. Ed explained that they only serve Linn and Benton Counties.

The workgroup asked what CARDV most wants them to know about intimate partner violence and CARVD services. Mason shared that the biggest thing would be more discussion of healthy relationships and learning about how to set boundaries and consent.

Ed shared that there are DV grants available through DHS to help survivors with moving costs and other fleeing-related expenses.

The workgroup asked about support groups for survivors. Mason explained that they do have sexual assault and domestic violence support groups open to community members. They are confidential, so meeting information is not public. Individuals are encouraged to call the hotline to be connected to a group.

Currently CARDV does not have bilingual staff, but is hoping to add that in the future.

The contact for CARDV's community education is:
Edelyn Solis Medina, (541)745-4429, Edelyn.solismedina@cardvservices.org
Mason Stump, (541)-745-4430, edoutreach@cardvservices.org

Discussion Item	Project Updates
	<p>Connie gave an update on the Community Asset Mapping Project.</p> <p>The Philomath and Harrisburg reports are complete, and the Alsea and Lebanon reports are in progress. Mapping sessions have been held in Mill City and Lincoln City, but additional sessions may be added to increase the number of respondents.</p> <p>By July, sessions will be planned in Brownsville, Depoe Bay, Halsey, Monroe, Newport, Scio, Siletz, Sweet Home, Toledo and Waldport.</p>

A page is being added to the Pollywog website to share the data from this project. That page is not yet live, but it will be soon.

Connie shared that OHA just announced a State Health Improvement Plan (SHIP) grant, and it will run alongside the same timeline almost as the second half of our Asset Mapping project. OHA is asking organizations to ask communities about health-related issues. It's perfect for Pollywog. It's a small amount of funding that we think we can apply to mostly incentives for participants so that we can potentially increase participation in Asset Mapping as a whole. The SHIP grant is up to \$15,000 and is being offered to ten organizations throughout the State. The grant deadline is due by the end of next week, so we are currently working on a proposal.

Menna Alamia gave a Kindergarten Readiness Metric update. The metric report is due at the end of January. The work of Community-Based Organizations (CBOs) is not included in this metric. A new committee is being formed in 2025 To identify the barriers that OHA has in recognizing the work or allowing a medical coding system for the work so that we can better fund CBOs and identify and define all of the interventions that create family stability, which is absolutely mandatory for kindergarten readiness.

Discussion Item	Pollywog Update
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Sam presented the analytics on the last two Pollywog parent newsletters. The Holiday Resource Guide and the Holiday Activity Guide. Both were well received by the community and our partners.

Discussion Item	HCI Business
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It was announced that we are looking for an additional Committee Co-Chair.

Next Meeting	9:30 am, January 14, 2025 Online Via Zoom
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Meeting Adjourned	10:14 am
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