

## Health Care for the Homeless (HCHN) Governance Council

April 19, 2021, 4:15pm-6:15pm

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### Agenda

Topic	Person	Time	Purpose	Materials
<b>CALL TO ORDER</b> 1. Welcome & Introductions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Welcome New HCHN RHA!</li> </ul> 2. Minutes <i>Action: review and approve</i>	Kristina Sawyckyj	4:15	Inform, Approve	- HCHN GC Minutes 031521_final
<b>PUBLIC COMMENT</b>	Kristina Sawyckyj	4:25	Inform, Discuss	
<b>OTHER ITEMS</b> 1. Information Sharing – Health Through Housing 2. Information Sharing – Opioid Task Force	Mark Ellerbrook, Brad Finegood	4:30	Inform, Discuss	- HTH Presentation - April 2021 - Info on Safe Consumption Sites_041921
<b>REGULAR AGENDA AND BOARD PROCESS</b> 1. HCHN Committee Updates and Actions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Community Advisory Group – 5/5</li> <li>b. Executive Committee – 5/5</li> <li>c. Program Evaluation Committee – 4/30</li> <li>d. Racial Equity Workgroup – 5/10</li> <li>e. Behavioral Health Workgroup – 4/21</li> <li>f. Advocacy Committee – 5/17</li> </ul> 2. HCHN Admin Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Staffing Updates</li> <li>b. HCHN RFPs</li> <li>c. COVID-19 Homelessness Response</li> </ul> 3. Open Forum	Kristina Sawyckyj, Zsa Zsa Floyd, Janice Tufte, Eleta Wright, Katherine Switz, Jesse Rawlins, Rekha Ravindran	5:10	Inform, Discuss	
<b>PUBLIC COMMENT</b>	Kristina Sawyckyj	6:10	Inform, Discuss	
<b>ADJOURN</b>		6:15		

**NEXT MEETING:** Monday, May 17, 2021, 4:15pm-6:15pm (Zoom Meeting)

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### **HCHN Governance Council Members**

- Anita Souza, PhD, MA, UW School of Nursing
- Christopher Craft, Friends of Youth
- Eleta Wright, MSW, Y Social Impact Center
- Eliza Hutchinson, MD, Country Doctor Carolyn Downs
- Janice Tufte, Consumer Representative
- Jeff Sakuma, City of Seattle Human Services Department
- Jesse Rawlins, Public Defender Association
- Jesus Rodriguez, Rodriguez Consulting & Interpretation Services
- Katherine Switz, MBA, The Stability Network
- Kristina Sawyckyj, Consumer Representative
- LaMont Green, Lived Experience Coalition
- Leslie Enzian, MD, HMC Medical Respite Program
- Mark Goetcheus, HMC Wound, Ostomy, Limb Preservation, & Amputee Services
- Melinda Giovengo, PhD, MA, YouthCare
- Someireh Amirfaiz, Ed.D. MHP, Non-Profit and Community Leader
- Zsa Zsa Floyd, Community Advocate

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### **MINUTES**

Monday, April 19 2021

Zoom Meeting

**Council Members Present:** Eleta Wright, Eliza Hutchinson, Janice Tufte, Jeff Sakuma, Jesse Rawlins, Kristina Sawyckyj, LaMont Green, Leslie Enzian, Mark Goetcheus, Melinda Giovengo, Someireh Amirfaiz, Zsa Zsa Floyd

**Council Members Absent:** Anita Souza, Christopher Craft, Jesus Rodriguez, Katherine Switz

**Public Health Staff Present:** Kim Nguyen, Mia Shim, Rekha Ravindran, Semone Andu

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### **CALL TO ORDER**

1. *Welcome & Introductions – Welcome New HCHN RHA*

Kristina Sawyckyj welcomed members to the meeting of the HCHN Governance Council (GC). Full quorum present. Members welcomed Semone Andu, as the new HCHN Regional Health Administrator, to his first Governance Council meeting.

2. *Minutes*

GC members reviewed the minutes from the 3/15 meeting. Janice Tufte made motion to approve the minutes, Someireh Amirfaiz seconded; vote was unanimous in favor of the motion, with Eleta Wright and Leslie Enzian abstaining.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

## **OTHER ITEMS**

### *1. Information Sharing – Health Through Housing*

Mark Ellerbrook, Division Director – Housing & Community Development, King County Department of Community and Human Services, joined to share information about the Health Through Housing Initiative and answer questions from members. PowerPoint is attached.

### *2. Information Sharing – Opioid Task Force*

Brad Finegood, Strategic Advisor with Public Health, joined to share more background information about Safe Consumption Sites (SCS), local efforts, and answered questions from members.

## **REGULAR AGENDA AND BOARD PROCESS**

### *1. HCHN Committee Updates and Actions*

#### *a. Community Advisory Group – 5/5*

Zsa Zsa Floyd shared that the CAG discussed group norms and shared feedback on emergency shelter planning. She also noted continued interest from CAG members to stay engaged.

#### *b. Executive Committee – 5/5*

Kristina shared that the EC discussed anti-harassment policies and opportunities to re-engage in training opportunities for members. She also noted that Rick Reynolds will be stepping down from the GC due to pending retirement. There are now two open slots on the Council, and the opportunity will be posted on the HCHN website. Members were encouraged to share the opportunity within their networks.

#### *c. Program Evaluation Committee – 4/30*

Janice noted that the 4/30 PEC will be a special meeting to focus on demographics and equity, and that all members of the GC are welcome to join.

#### *d. Racial Equity Workgroup – 5/10*

Eleta shared that the workgroup continues to focus on the Network priority related to hiring, recruitment, and retention, and also in relation to the GC's membership. She noted that Tina Abbott, Public Health HR Manager, joined the last meeting to share data dashboards on King County employee demographics.

*e. Behavioral Health Workgroup – 4/21*

Kristina shared that the workgroup is continuing to draft a letter highlighting the need for BH services.

*f. Advocacy Committee – 5/17*

Jesse Rawlins shared that the Advocacy Committee met and discussed the proposed City of Seattle charter amendment focused on homelessness.

*2. HCHN Admin Update*

*a. Staffing Updates*

Rekha Ravindran welcomed Semone, new HCHN RHA, to his first meeting. Rekha also shared that Kim Nguyen has taken on a Special Duty assignment as the HCHN Business & Finance Officer. HCHN will backfill her position.

*b. HCHN RFPs*

Rekha shared that the larger HCHN RFP is now closed and members of the review panel will meet shortly to make recommendations.

*c. COVID-19 Homelessness Response*

Rekha shared that vaccine eligibility is now open for all adults 16+. She noted that Public Health is in the process of identifying partners to set up sites that are accessible to people experiencing homelessness. She encouraged members to join the weekly COVID-19 Response Call for Homeless Service Providers, every Wednesday at 2pm (meeting info can be found [here](#)) to stay updated.

*d. HRSA Grants Update*

Rekha shared a new funding opportunity out of HRSA to support COVID response and recovery efforts. She noted CHS & HCHN staff are currently in initial planning stage, informed by GC values/priorities out of strategic planning process, with a plan to share a more specific outline at 5/17 GC meeting.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Dr. Hanna Ekstrom, with Seattle Vet Outreach, noted a need for funding smaller organizations that may not reach a high volume of clients.

**ADJOURN**

The meeting adjourned at 6:21pm.

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