



## Aging Services Advisory Council - Minutes

Thursday, February 7, 2019 3-5pm

Tabor Square Lower Conference Room

4610 SE Belmont Street, Portland

**Co-Facilitators:** Betty Cox & Nicole Wirth

Agenda Item	Purpose	Lead	Next Steps and Action Items
Welcome & Housekeeping	Attendance: Amy Yum, Betty Cox, Brian Hughes, Erin Grahek, JoAnn Herrigel, Nicole Wirth, Rai McKenzie, Rebecca Miller, Robyn Johnson, Semion Gurchich, Steve Weiss, Timur Holove, Dave Daley, Lee Girard, Tatyana Gannotskiy		
Public comments & announcements	Hold space for public to address ASAC. Share information	Betty Cox (BC)	Timor Holove talked about the Slavic festival, which takes place September 1 <sup>st</sup> It will be held at Discovery Park and is an all-day event. He asked members to spread the word in their communities - all people welcome.
Adult Protective Services (APS) and Long-Term Services & Supports (LTSS/Medicaid)	Learn about two of ADVSD major program areas	Brian Hughes and Tatyana Gannotskiy (NW)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· <b>Brian Hughes</b> is the Program Manager for Adult Protective Services (APS).</li> <li>· A big change to APS is the Centralized Abuse Management Database (CAM). This new system has standardized abuse investigations, making the process more efficient. This system has been in use for 3 months. Our work is still the same; we just had to learn a new way of documenting it.</li> <li>· 23% of the work APS performs happens in Multnomah County. Since November 250 investigations have closed in our new system.</li> <li>· APS screeners take about 40 referrals a day. They gather information about people who are 60 or over – or have a disability, to see if an investigation should be opened.</li> <li>· APS works closely with law enforcement.</li> <li>· <b>Tatyana Gannotskiy</b> is our Program Manager for Long Term Services &amp; Supports SE Branch. She has been with the county for over 20 years.</li> </ul>

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· A handout was passed out showing the services the offices provides – Medicaid, SNAP and Long Term Services and Supports.</li> <li>· This office serves approximately 5000 clients and 1500 of these receive services.</li> <li>· The service screening line is also in this office. They take calls to access clients to see if they qualify for in home care.</li> <li>· There are five offices like this one in the county.</li> </ul>
<p>Older Adult Behavioral Health Initiative (OABHI)</p>	<p>Learn about OABHI and provide feedback</p>	<p>Robyn Johnson (BC)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· <b>Robyn Johnson</b> is the Regional Coordinator with Older Adult Behavioral Health Initiative (OABHI).</li> <li>· There are 22 to 24 specialists across the state. Multnomah-Washington and Clackamas have 7 of those. These positions are funded by the state to reduce blocks between Mental Health and the Aging system. These OABHI specialists are charged with coordination and consultation, collaboration with community partners and providing a training to the workforce who provides service to our clients. They also help develop training curriculums.</li> <li>· They have a spring and fall training that the community is invited to attend. The team develops the curriculum each year.</li> <li>· Robyn passed out the work plan and asked for review and feedback. Her information is on the handout.</li> <li>· Question – We had a question about a client that is addicted and most likely has mental health issues. Robyn said please refer them to us so we can see where we can help them.</li> <li>· April event will have training on loneliness, hoarding and reducing the stigma around mental illness.</li> <li>· Question – Is there anything in your program for physical activity.</li> </ul>

			<p>No but Erin Grahek directed that you call the ADRC helpline -503-988-3646. We do have information on classes for healthy living.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Question – concerning taking care of a family member, what trainings would be good for me to take and would I be determined eligible by income. Particularly the fall and spring trainings would be helpful. Also, there is Approach Coaching that may be a good fit. Some are income based, but not all. Please contact Robin to speak more about this and she can connect you.</li> </ul>
ASAC Membership	Meet interested applicant, vote on Dave Daley, and recruit membership committee support	Nicole Worth	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Dave is retired. He volunteers with Elders in Action as well as getting the word out to the public about Elder Abuse reporting. He worked in transportation services for a long time.</li> <li>· Motion to accept Dave as a member by Nicole, seconded by Steve. Welcome Dave.</li> <li>· There are two application for new members at this time. Would anyone like to help reviewing applications? Amy and JoAnn are going to help.</li> </ul>
Legislative update & committee	Decide about advocacy committee	Betty Cox	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Rebecca directed us to a handout concerning the review of bills by the county. It outlines the process.</li> <li>· In May we will have our Lobby Day in Salem.</li> <li>· Lee talked about the big issues we are looking at right now. Workload for staff, OPI expansion (but the issue is there is no money tied to the expansion), and transportation issues. As you look at these bills and have questions, please forward them to Rebecca so we can try to answer them.</li> <li>· Follow up to the state audit on Home Care Workers says APD has done some work, but needs to monitor and train our HCW better.</li> </ul>

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Rebecca discussed that there is proposed 40% cut to the state budget that funds our Non-Medical Transportation services. We need to advocate getting this money back. Lee explained that Trimet provides us with funding to match Medicaid dollars for the Non-Medical Transportation service and if this gets cut by 40% we would have to cut our program by 60%. That is going from 60,000 one-way trips to 20,000. We may not be able to keep this program running if the cuts move forward.</li> <li>· Steve talked about Bill 608 - Annual Rent Cap Bill. There are some exemptions, but 90 days' notice would be needed and payment of one month of rent to the person being evicted. If this passes it will be the first in the US for rent control.</li> <li>· Steve discussed Bill 2018. This came out of an AARP study that showed 3 out of 5 workers experience age discrimination. This Bill would ban the age box, no asking about age, improve definition of age discrimination and increase victim compensation.</li> </ul>
ADVSD update	Inform and update	Erin Grahek (NW)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Erin discussed planning the department is doing to prepare our reception staff for possibility of another government shutdown to be able to help answer our customer's questions. Meetings were held and we reached out to our community partners to get lists of what will be available to help our clients. We will have those lists available and keep in contact with those community partners to update as needed.</li> <li>· Lee says she has informally heard that if the shutdown occurs, we have money available for SNAP program through the end of March. We are also setting up food collections bins.</li> <li>· Erin mentioned the Participant Experience Project (PEP). We are</li> </ul>

			<p>expanding this data collection/survey project. The data we gather will help us understand the customer experience in ADVSD Long Term Services &amp; Support (medicaid) Branches, Enhancing Equity partners and District Centers.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We are in a strategic planning process regarding facilities at SE &amp; Mid branch offices (Tabor Square and Cherry Blossom) because leases are getting close to being due. Strategic planning is occurring to address needs and what is the best course of action. We have an intern, Julianne, helping with this work. We cannot modify the buildings since they are leased. Our Walnut Park building is owned and we are doing some long term planning to update this site.</li> <li>• Program offers for the county will be up on the public website February 22<sup>nd</sup>. <a href="http://www.multco.us/budget">www.multco.us/budget</a>. The chairs proposals will be available April 25<sup>th</sup>.</li> </ul>
Meeting wrap up	Confirm date, agenda items and location for April meeting	Betty Cox	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• May we will be attending Lobby Day in Salem. Do we want to work with DSAC on anything? Consensus is that we want a subcommittee to work on legislative ideas. ADVSD will reach out for volunteers.</li> <li>• Lee would like to know what our members are working on, that way we can coordinate messaging.</li> <li>• This will be Rebecca Miller's last meeting She has taken a job with Washington County.</li> </ul>
New Co-Facilitators!	Identify co-facilitators for next three meetings (April, June, August)	Rebecca Miller	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Next meeting is April 4<sup>th</sup> and will take place here, at Tabor Square.</li> <li>• JoAnne and Dave will be the co-facilitators for the next 6 months.</li> <li>• Next meeting we will prep for Lobby Day.</li> </ul>

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Important dates

April 4: ASAC, 3-5pm, Tabor Square Lower Conference Room

May 9: 04ad Lobby Day in Salem