PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE
CERTIFICATION OF GRAYS HARBOR TREATMENT SOLUTIONS
AN OPIOID TREATMENT PROGRAM (OTP)

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An application and community relations plan was received by the department in 2018 to obtain certification for Grays Harbor Treatment Solutions to operate an opioid treatment program.

The proposed site location is at:
♦ 516 East 1st Street Aberdeen WA 98520
Regulatory Agencies

Opioid Treatment Programs (OTP) are regulated by:

- Department of Health
- WA State Pharmacy Quality Assurance Commission
- The federal Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CSAT)
- A federally recognized accreditation body
- The federal Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA)
The laws, rules, and procedures which govern the certification process of OTPs include:

- Chapter 71.24 Revised Code of Washington (RCW)
- Chapter 246-341 Washington Administrative Code (WAC)
- CSAT “Guidelines for the Accreditation of Opioid Treatment Programs”
Certification Steps for Proposed Programs

Proposed OTPs must submit to the department:

- A completed licensing and certification application
- A comprehensive community relations plan which includes working in collaboration with the county and city legislative authorities regarding notification and education to community stakeholders and the general public regarding the proposed location of the program and a plan to address any identified concerns
- Policies and procedures demonstrating compliance with rules and regulations for review and approval
Certification Steps for Proposed Programs (2)

Proposed OTPs must obtain:

- Registration from the WA State Pharmacy Quality Assurance Commission
- Certification from the Federal Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CSAT)
- Accreditation from a federally recognized accreditation body
- Registration from the Federal Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA)
Certification Steps for the Department

When considering a licensing and certification application for an OTP the department must:

- Certify only programs that will be sited in accordance with the appropriate county or city land use ordinance.
  - Counties and cities may require conditional or special use permits with reasonable conditions for the siting of programs. However, please note that pursuant to RCW 36.70A.200, no local comprehensive plan or development regulation may preclude the siting of an essential public facility.

- Consider the size of the population in need of treatment, in the area in which the program would be located, and certify only applicants whose programs meet the necessary treatment needs of that population.

- Consider the availability of other certified programs near the area in which the applicant proposes to locate the program.
Certification Steps for the Department (2)

When considering a licensing and certification application for an OTP the department must:

- Consider the transportation systems that would provide services to the program and whether the system will provide reasonable opportunities to access the program for persons in need of treatment.

- Consider whether the applicant has, or has demonstrated in the past, the capability to provide the appropriate services to assist the persons who utilize the program in meeting the goals established by the Legislature in RCW 71.24.585. The department shall prioritize certification to applicants who have demonstrated such capability and are able to measure their success in meeting such outcomes.
When considering a licensing and certification application for an OTP the department must:

- Hold one public hearing in the community in which the program is proposed to be located.

Additionally, all public comments received in writing and during the public hearing will be shared with the proposed OTP. The proposed OTP will respond to any concerns by submitting to DOH an updated community relations plan-concerns log. The community relations plan-concerns log will be posted to the DOH webpage: https://www.doh.wa.gov/LicensesPermitsandCertificates/FacilitiesNewReneworUpdate/BehavioralHealthAgencies/OpioidTreatmentProgram/ProposedOpioidTreatmentPrograms
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