**CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL HEALTH CARE NEEDS PROGRAM**

**COMMUNICATION NETWORK MEETING**

April 12, 2018

**CSHCN Program Mission:** To promote integrated systems of care which assure the population of children with special health care needs the opportunity to achieve the healthiest life possible and develop to their full potential.

**CSHCN Communication Network Purpose:**

Provide for exchange of information among those programs and entities that serve children with special health care needs and their families, and facilitate an opportunity to learn more about statewide policies, programs and issues critical to this unique population.

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Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Program Update
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www.doh.wa.gov/YouandYourFamily/InfantsChildrenandTeens/HealthandSafety/ChildrenwithSpecialHealthCareNeeds.aspx

CSHCN Program Updates
If you would like a copy of the PowerPoint presentation “High Priority Issues Among CYSHCN: Needs Assessment Overview” contact Christy Polking, christy.polking@doh.wa.gov.

Staff Updates: Healthy Starts & Transitions
Joan Zerzan, Nutrition Consultant, retired on March 15, 2018. Joan worked tirelessly and determinedly with and on behalf of children with conditions that impact feeding and nutrition. She started her career working with WIC in Clackamas County, Oregon and later with the Chehalis Tribal clinic. After receiving her Master’s degree in Nutrition she worked at the University of Washington in the NICU, Pulmonary Clinics and High Risk Follow-up Clinic for 28 years. She was with DOH for the past 5 ½ years. Some of her accomplishments include partnering with the Health Care Authority to ensure that metabolic formula is covered by Medicaid; partnering with UW to grow the Nutrition Network and feeding teams (health professionals across WA who are specially trained to meet with needs of children with feeding issues) to 210 trained nutrition network members and 21 feeding teams across the state; convening a workgroup to support feeding transitions for high risk infants from hospital to home; and conducting countless trainings for registered dieticians, WIC team members, and others across the state and nationally to increase their ability to and confidence in supporting children with feeding issues. Joan has been a powerful champion for children with feeding issues and their families across the state. The CSHCN Program will be hiring a new Nutrition Consultant and we hope to have a recruitment posted within the next few weeks. We will send the link to the job announcement out through the CSHCN Program Communication Network so partners can share with networks and interested applicants.

The Children with Special Health Care Needs Program has a new Administrative Assistant, Cindy Fetterly. Cindy has over 20 years of experience working in state agencies, including with the Department of Retirement Services and the Governor’s Executive Policy Office (in the Office of Financial Management). In her spare time, Cindy enjoys gardening, riding her motorcycle (Harley), camping, fishing, and learning new things. She has two children and one granddaughter, three dogs, and has been married for 20 years. Cindy can be reached at cynthia.fetterly@doh.wa.gov or 360-236-3507.
**Middle Childhood Health Summit**

Unfortunately the Department of Health’s Child Health and Development Program (part of Healthy Starts and Transitions) in unable to staff a 2018 Middle Childhood Health Summit as originally planned. Those who had been participating in this effort should receive an email from Leslie Carroll shortly with more details.

**Child Health Intake Form (CHIF) Database**

We have scored the CHIF Redesign vendor bids and have identified two possible contenders. The vendor demos have been scheduled for April 24 and 26. We hope to have a contract in place by June 1 and our goal is to implement the new database by the end of this calendar year at the latest.

**CShCN Nutrition**

Congratulations to Sharon Feucht with the University of Washington Center on Human Development and Disability (CHDD). Sharon is the She has been chosen as the 2018 Outstanding Dietitian of the Year by the Washington State Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics! This award recognizes leadership, ability, and service and is the highest honor given by WSAND. Sharon will be recognized at WSAND’s annual educational conference at the SeaTac Hilton on Monday, April 16.

For the Nutrition Needs Assessment, we have completed data collection which includes survey data from 130 registered dietician nutritionists (RDNs) across the state (70 Nutrition Network members and 60 WIC providers), 17 parent phone interviews/focus groups, and 13 other providers. This primary data as well as other sources (CHIF, NDC reports, WIC Nutrition Risk data, and others) will be summarized and discussed in a report that will be made available within the next few months. We have input from all four regions of the state; thanks to those of you who may have helped in the recruitment process, and even participated in the provider interviews.

**CShCN Rule (Washington Administrative Code-WAC) Update**

DOH is in the process of formally filing the rule with the State’s Code Revisers Office. When the rule has been posted, we will send out a link for you to review and comment.

For more information, contact Ellen Silverman at 360-223-3580 or ellen.silverman@doh.wa.gov.

**AS3D (Autism and Other Developmental Disabilities) Grant**

Telehealth (TH) (Goals 1, 3, Objectives 1.3, 3.2, Strategies 1E, 1H, 3C) The Telehealth ad hoc Committee, led by HST’s Nurse Consultant, Ellen Silverman, completed a Telehealth (TH) Capacity Assessment and Executive Summary which is posted on the DOH website in the Children with Special Health Care Needs Publication section: www.doh.wa.gov/YouandYourFamily/InfantsandChildren/HealthandSafety/ChildrenwithSpecialHealthCareNeeds/Publications. (See Attachment #1 for the executive summary.) This TH Capacity Assessment blends the perspectives and experiences of providers and families and as well as the literature. The AS3D TH ad hoc committee is reviewing a DRAFT strategic plan to advance TH. Once reviewed and updated, we will be vetting this at the upcoming Peer-to-Peer meeting mid-April and posting this to the DOH website at a later date.

Family Navigation (Goal 2, Objectives 2.1, 2.2, Strategies 2A-E) The Family Navigation Ad hoc Committee, led by CSHCN’s Family Engagement Coordinator, Michelle Hoffman, continues reach out with their respective trainings and modules (both in-person and online) for Family Navigators to increase their capacity and effectiveness across the state to guide families through and around barriers in the health care system, and assist them in accessing and/or receiving care for their children with ASD/DD. The trainings are being conducted by AS3D Contractors and Family-led organizations, Northwest Autism Center, Open Doors for Multicultural Families and Washington Autism Alliance and Advocacy. Approved Carry Forward will be used to have 2 additional in-person trainings and to support family navigator trainings for travel and related attendance expenses. Carry Forward is also supporting the WSLI website development to assist with sharing the AS3D Family Navigation training across the WSLI infrastructure to ensure that there is statewide reach of family navigation trainings and outreach.

Other AS3D Grant Activities

AS3D Partners, in collaboration with members from the WA DOH CSHCN program, will be hosting a National State Autism Grantee Peer-to-Peer Meeting to be held in Spokane in April. The meeting is sponsored by the Association of Maternal & Child Health Programs (AMCHP) and is designed as a learning mechanism for Autism Grantees (current and past) to learn from one other about building systems of care for children and youth with ASD/DD. Autism Grantees from Washington, Delaware, Rhode Island and Wisconsin, as well as past state grantees, are afforded the opportunity to share lessons learned, exchange best practices, and develop action steps. The Peer-to-Peer grouping of state grantees fosters additional opportunities for ASD/DD grantees to share ideas and obtain technical assistance through conference calls and an on-site meeting. In essence, the Peer to Peer program provides a “hands-on” chance for participating grantees to
discuss issues face-to-face. The focus of this year’s meeting is on telehealth and several national and state-level experts will be in attendance.

Plans are underway for the 2018 Washington Autism Advisory Council (WAAC) Meeting. (Goal 3, Objective 3.1, Strategy A: “Maintain and build on existing statewide WAAC infrastructure to address policy and structural deficits that contribute to delays or unmet needs in identification of and access to needed services for children and youth with ASD.”) The meeting date, venue and topics are currently being discussed – more info and updates to be shared at the July CommNet.

For more AS3D grant information, please contact Jean-Marie Dymond at 360-236-3737 or jean-marie.dymond@doh.wa.gov.

Essentials for Childhood (EfC)

**Incubate Help Me Grow-like systems in communities and anchor them with central, state-wide supports.**

The Help Me Grow National Forum is in Seattle April 4-6. WithinReach is the local host. This will be the largest Help Me Grow Forum ever, with one hundred more participants than last year! Attendees will enrich their understanding of Help Me Grow and will learn about some stand out work here in Washington. We are leveraging the opportunity to connect Washington participants face to face by holding a lunch meeting at the forum on April 5. We’ll share information about what’s happening to implement Help Me Grow in our state and have a conversation about how we can work together across communities.

Building on their interest in connecting communities and elevating community voice, the Systems, Services and Implementation Workgroup is working to **convene a community of practice of representatives of local groups** working on Help Me Grow in their communities. This would be a forum for communities to learn from each other, get technical assistance with implementation, and identify what communities need from the state to implement Help Me Grow. Potential members are excited to make this happen.

**Best Starts for Kids (Public Health Seattle & King County) is using an implementation science frame to understand the components of centralized access that exist in King County and make a plan to build on that.**

The **supplemental state budget** recently passed by the Legislature includes proviso funds to “develop and plan an intervention using the help me grow model to prevent child abuse and neglect” in Pierce County.

**Promote expansion of maternal infant early childhood home visiting programs**

There were positive steps forward this legislative session regarding the expansion of maternal and infant early childhood home visiting programs. The supplemental budget includes a $2.3 million dollar increase in ongoing state general fund dollars to support expansion. Those resources will provide:

- $1.8 million to support expansion to 275 new families and the remaining $500,000 will support contract adjustments for contractors who came on during 2011-13 (their contract rate is lower than later contractors).

Utilizing Medicaid dollars to fund home visiting expansion is a promising yet complex path to expansion. The supplemental budget allocated resources to further explore this:

- $100,000 for Health Care Authority to investigate Medicaid as a funding source for Home Visiting
- $150,000 for DCYF home visiting work, including the HCA Medicaid look as well as development of an expansion plan.

There was great news at the Federal level as well. The Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting (MIECHV) program was reauthorized in the latest budget compromise for five years. Funding levels remain flat, but a proposed state match requirement was removed from the final reauthorization.

**Create a Community of Practice on trauma, toxic stress, and resilience to inform and strengthen local and state action and awareness.**

On April 26 the Community Stakeholder Education and Action Workgroup is launching and co-creating a community of practice related to adverse childhood experiences (ACEs), complex trauma, toxic stress and resilience. “Communities of Practice are groups of people who share a concern or a passion for something they do and learn how to do it better as they interact regularly.” (Wenger-Trayner, 2015)

Participants will be people organizing to address these issues at the local level across Washington State. We expect to build connections across the state in order to increase the capacity of people to grow, deepen and spread the work in their communities. So that we can create communities where all children thrive is safe, stable, nurturing relationships and environments.

Creation of this group is informed by over 30 phone interviews conducted by the Essentials for Childhood Community Stakeholder Education and Action Workgroup. Stakeholders doing this work consistently expressed that a community of
practice on these topics was a missing element in our state. Our goal is to host a series of meetings to create a platform to learn from one another through a shared dialogue on successes, challenges, and collective goals moving forward. Respondents to our interviews reflected the need to have a mix of in-person and virtual opportunities. We have already received interest from individuals in 22 different counties, this is before the broader save the date had even been released.

Explore a partnership with the Bezos foundation on the Vroom campaign
As part of our proposal development for the Bezos foundation we have done initial outreach to explore likely partnerships around the Vroom campaign. In addition to the steering committee presentation by Bezos, we’ve spoken with:
- Economic Services Administration
- DOH (Child Health Workgroup, Child Profile, Enlace Project)
- Thrive Washington

There has been deep interest utilizing Vroom for the Enlace Project within DOH. Enlace (‘enlace’ meaning link or bond in Spanish) supports the academic, economic, social, emotional, and health needs of expectant and parenting teens, women, fathers, and families in Washington. It is funded by a federal grant from the Office of Adolescent Health. In the next funding cycle Enlace program staff are considering requesting $50,000 for materials, training, and staff time to support Vroom activation.

For more information about EfC, please contact Marilyn Gisser at 360-236-3503 or marilyn.gisser@doh.wa.gov.

Project LAUNCH (PL) Expansion
Project LAUNCH in North Thurston County has meet their numbers for Element. Both Benton-Franklin and Chelan-Douglas are close behind and will meet their numbers in the early part of year 4.

PL is continuing to work with WA-AIMH, currently WA-AMH is working with Benton-Franklin communities with our first cohort of professionals/providers who are going through the Endorsement Pathway.

WithinReach has provided materials to support providers and parents with their child's development with a Milestone Resource Guide. The Expansion Oversight Council will have the opportunity to review the resource guide at the end of April.

Project LAUNCH will be providing Mental Health Consultation with the providers who have gone through the Universal Developmental Screening element of our grant. LAUNCH will be utilizing licensed mental health therapist who will provide behavior support to providers at the program and classroom level. This work has not started, should be implemented within the next couple of months.

Lastly, we have submitted year 2 mid-year progress report, as we head into year 4 we will continue to focus on sustainability within our three expansion communities, Mental Health consultation, workforce development and parent engagement.

For more information, please contact Laraine Clardy at 360-236-3523 or laraine.clardy@doh.wa.gov.

P-TCPi – Regional Care Coordination Project Update
DOH coordinated and hosted a full-day meeting with the Regional Care Facilitators and Practice Facilitators on 4/11. The main topics were behavioral health integration and reducing avoidable emergency department (ED) visits. Guests from Molina (behavioral health integration) and the Washington State Hospital Association (ER is for Emergencies) presented. RCFs and PFs are working together on the P-TCPi aims – increasing well child visits and immunizations, improved asthma care and medication adherence, reducing avoidable ED visits, increasing behavioral health integration, and others.

For more information, please contact Ellen Silverman at ellen.silverman@doh.wa.gov.

Healthy Communities Consolidated Contracts Updates
On April 5, Justin Weisser, our MCH epidemiologist, presented a preview of the upcoming LHJ needs assessment that will begin in the next contract year. Plans are in process, and more information will be coming out over the summer.

For more information, please contact Mary Dussol at 360-236-3781 or mary.dussol@doh.wa.gov.
Strategic Topic
High Priority Issues Among CYSHCN in WA: Needs Assessment Process Overview
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Summary from a discussion on data sources and priorities that Communication Network participants shared on identifying high priority issues related to the MCHBG 5 year Needs Assessment.

- King County’s Best Starts for Kids has data.
- Consider developing an inventory of data sources such as PRISM, CHIF, etc. which would include who “owns” that data system.
- For each of the MCHBG components (pyramid), provide information on each and what the budget allocations are for WA State.
- Send a follow-up questionnaire to the Communication Network participants to get data sources.
- Need to identify opportunities and sources for Community Voice.
- Need to have a sense of how HIPAA and FERPA impact data collection and information sharing.
- Identify opportunities for how infant mental health is accepted.
- Need to look at opportunities on how to support and access child care for children with special health care needs.
- We need to look carefully at transitions from inpatient back to community and improving the process; consider sharing lessons learned from the Collaborative Innovation and Improvement Network (CoIIN) that Seattle Children’s is leading for children with medical complexity.
- There needs to be more discussion on data and work to address transitions from early intervention to schools – birth to 3yr; 3yr to 5yr, and 5yr and up.
- Identify sources of data for children who are born drug-affected and what system improvements need to happen. Counties need these data to support comprehensive planning.
- Look at data trends for children with developmental disabilities as well as drug including alcohol affected and impact on the school system.

Open MIC
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Share successes in your work on behalf of CYSHCN (ex: legislative session highlights) and Ask the Group for assistance in problem solving:

- Medicaid as Secondary has provided a great opportunity to meet needs of families. One clinical example was provided.
- Group discussed need to educate insurers (TRICARE, BC/BS, etc) about applying for Medicaid as secondary as well as what benefits are available for their members. Opportunities might include inviting them to CSHCN Communication Network meeting. HCA will explore obtaining ProviderOne data on which plans are primary for those children who are on Medicaid as secondary in order to target plans for education.
- Can consumers participate on improving Medicaid correspondence? YES! Medicaid is looking for participants to work on their Notices Workgroup. Please contact margaret.clay@hca.wa.gov with names and contact information for volunteers.
- HCA shared that there is now a smart phone app in both the Apple Store and Google Play to assist clients with applying for benefits and updating eligibility. There are currently some improvements being done to make the app for user friendly.
- For clients that are having difficulty obtaining a medical provider, please contact HCA at hcamcprograms@hca.wa.gov to request assistance.
- For clients that are experiencing difficulty in obtaining waiver services, there are contacts online at https://www.dshs.wa.gov/altsa/stakeholders/community-first-choice-option. If you are unable to get assistance or need addition supports to navigate the DDA system, you can contact the Office of Developmental Disabilities Ombudsman office at (833) 727-8900 or Voice: (206) 324-1521 or online at http://ddombuds.org/
- Concerns were raised by the long wait for an autism diagnosis and for applied behavior analysis (ABA). Others raised concerns about reimbursement rates for ABA. Are there opportunities for non-medical providers to provide the diagnosis work-up? No, CMS requires that only qualified medical providers can be reimbursed for the autism
diagnosis which then allows for an ABA prescription. If you are having issues accessing a provider for diagnosis or for ABA therapy, please email HCA at hcamcprograms@hca.wa.gov to request assistance.

- HCA reported that there are ongoing efforts to increase the network of COEs and ABA providers.

- **DSHS- Developmental Disabilities Administration Information**

1. Individual and Family Services (IFS) Waiver is roughly at capacity. However, there’s always attrition (people moving onto another waiver, people deciding they don’t need the services, etc.) so we are always accepting applications for the waiver.

2. The Intake and Eligibility application is fairly straightforward, but if anyone has any questions or needs assistance filling it out, they can contact their regional office for assistance. Individuals may choose to include supporting documentation with the application. The most helpful types of documentation include full psychological evaluations (typically, from when a diagnosis is first given) and school evaluations (not the IEPs).

3. If an Intake and Eligibility decision is denied, the client/family can expect to receive both a phone call from the case manager who made the decision and a Planned Action Notice (PAN) by mail. The Planned Action Notice will outline the reasons for the decision and the relevant Washington Administrative Code in plain talk. If the client/family has questions, they can reach out directly to the case manager identified on the PAN.

4. If someone is interested in accessing DDA services, they can submit a request via the online Service Request and Information Line web form. The entry will be routed to the regional representative who will assign someone to contact you back. DDA is currently creating an internal database to manage and track data on these referrals more efficiently.

5. DDA continues to work on outreach and resource development. For example, Informing Families Building Trust recently provided Community Guide/Engagement Trainings for prospective providers. Our regional field staff have ongoing outreach efforts, as well. For example, there is a DDA Client, Family, Provider Meet and Greet scheduled for May 23, 2018.

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**Special Presentation**

*Patient and Family Engagement*

Jacquie Stock, Seattle Children’s CCSN Program

Information was shared on the Person and Family Engagement Project Pediatric-Transforming Clinical Practice Initiative (P-TCPI). The goal of this work is to improve person (patient) and family engagement in statewide pediatric practices enrolled in P-TCPI. This work will assess Person Family Engagement in three broad categories – governance, policy and procedure, and point of care. To support this work, Noel Rees, MPA was hired as a Health Education Consultant in the Seattle Children’s Center for Children with Special Needs. To learn more, see the attached PowerPoint presentation or contact Noel at Mary.Rees@seattlechildrens.org

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**Health Care Authority (the Medicaid agency)**

Colette Jones and Kevin Cornell

**Premium-based Apple Health for Kids program. (a.k.a. “CHIP”)**

On January 22nd the President signed into law the HEALTHY KIDS Act (Public law 115-120) restoring federal funding for the CHIP program for 6 years more years. On February 9th the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2018 was signed which continued funding for CHIP for an additional 4 years.

In addition to securing funding for CHIP for 10 years, the maintenance of effort (MOE) provisions are extended through 2027, and the enhanced match rate (23% “bump”) was continued through FY19; with an incremental phase out of the “bump” after that. The BBA also -

- Provided two years of funding for community health centers—$3.8 billion for FFY2018 and $4 billion for FFY2019
- Provided funding for the Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting (MIECHV) program through FFY2022, at $400 million per year
  - Also gives states the option to implement a “pay for outcomes” initiative, through which they can use up to 25 percent of federal funds to support outcomes or success payments to home visiting programs that demonstrate improved outcomes

**Indian health care providers receive transformation funds**

This week, Washington hit a major Medicaid Transformation milestone as the Health Care Authority made the initial transfer of approximately $626,000 to Indian Health Care Providers (IHCPs) for tribal-specific projects. This payment is the first of a total $5.4 million authorized by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for tribal partners participating in the five-year Healthier Washington Medicaid Transformation.
Tribal-specific projects dovetail with the state’s Medicaid Transformation projects, and include:

- Culturally tailored behavioral and physical health integration
- Community health aid programs
- Population health improvement

HCA Tribal Affairs Administrator Jessie Dean commented on this first release of Medicaid Transformation funds to IHCPs: “Tribal health programs and other Indian health care providers serve a patient population with many needs, and they do so with inadequate funding and resources. We hope these Medicaid Transformation funds will help them improve the care they provide to their patients as part of the special trust responsibility that Congress reaffirmed in the Indian Health Care Improvement Act. We look forward to seeing what investments the tribes and other Indian Health Care Providers make in the next few years as part of Medicaid Transformation here in Washington State.

Bills affecting HCA –

The budget

The supplemental operating budget included additional funding for implementation of the School Employees Benefits Board (SEBB) Program, additional support for responding to the opioid public health crisis, and some funding to move behavioral health employees from DSHS to HCA. Watch for a separate story with more details on the supplemental budget.

What passed -

SB 6241 — HCA agency-request bill clarifies and corrects some parts of the legislation that created the SEBB Program, which we will implement by January 1, 2020.

HB 1388 — This Governor-request bill transfers behavioral health services oversight and purchasing from DSHS to HCA on July 1, 2018.

ESHB 2408 — Requires approved health carriers to provide qualified health plans on the state exchange where they offer PEBB and/or SEBB plans, ensuring health care access in counties without individual market offerings.

HB 2779 — Re-establishes through 2020 the HCA-staffed Children’s Mental Health Workgroup. HCA is also a nonvoting workgroup member. Existing members of the work group (as of December 1, 2017) may continue to serve without reappointment.

SSB 6549 — Expands access to the ABCD dental care program to children with disabilities from age 6 through 13.

What didn’t pass -

SB 6351 — While the Senate unanimously approved this bill, the House did not vote on it by deadline. This agency-request bill would have authorized HCA to require FBI fingerprint criminal background checks for those who drive Apple Health (Medicaid) clients to medical appointments under the Non-Emergency Medical Transportation (NEMT) program.

Learn More -

Visit LAA’s SharePoint site for a complete list of HCA-related bills that passed. You also may contact Dennis Martin or Rachel Burke in LAA with any questions about bills you’ve been tracking.

Neurodevelopmental Centers and Apple Health Managed Care

Starting July 1st, 2018 Neurodevelopmental Centers (NDCs) will be included in Apple Health Managed Care contracts. Neurodevelopmental centers (NDCs) provide outpatient physical therapy, speech therapy, occupational therapy, and audiology services to children with neuromuscular or developmental disorders.

2018 Washington Apple Health Income and Resource Standards – (see Attachment #2)

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Tonya Niverson was unable to attend.
Communication Network Meeting Minutes
April 12, 2018

Health Plans
Community Health Plan of Washington (CHPW)
Tedd Walt
www.chpw.org
[Coverage Area Includes All Counties except Clallam, Columbia, Garfield, Jefferson, Klickitat, Lincoln, Mason, Skamania, and Whitman]

Tedd Walt was unable to attend.

Health Plans
Coordinated Care
Sherry Bennatts
www.coordinatedcarehealth.com
[Coverage Area Includes: All Counties except Clallam, Ferry, Kittitas, and Pend Oreille]

No major updates at this time.

Health Plans
Molina Healthcare of Washington
Cathi Sears
www.molinahealthcare.com
[Coverage Area Includes: All Counties except Island, Jefferson, Klickitat, Skamania, and Wahkiakum]

No major updates at this time.

Health Plans
UnitedHealthcare
Cindy Spain
www.uhc.com
[Coverage Area Includes: All Counties except Clallam, Cowlitz, Garfield, Pend Oreille, San Juan, Skagit, and Whatcom]

Cindy Spain was unable to attend

The Center for Children with Special Needs (CCSN) at Seattle Children’s
Jacquie Stock
www.cshcn.org

- 2018 Summer Camp Directory now available—updated, online directory of 80 camps for children, youth, and young adults with medical, physical, behavioral or emotional health conditions; with camp description, locale, timeframes, contact information. Individual paper copy available upon request to Hanna.Abrahamson@seattlechildrens.org.
- Linkages Newsletter—Fall and Winter issues created and promoted:
  • Sexuality and Puberty Education for YSHCN
  • Neuromuscular Conditions
    Is there diagnosis information or health topics you want to see covered in Linkages? Email Beth.Crispin@seattlechildrens.org
- Accessible Playgrounds and Recreation in Washington State—Beth Crispin, Senior Health Educator, currently researching and developing CSHCN.org content on statewide accessible playgrounds and recreation opportunities. If you have suggestions, please email Beth.Crispin@seattlechildrens.org
- Telling Your Story with a Purpose training for parents and caregivers – to be offered in Wenatchee in collaboration with the Arc of Chelan-Douglas County on April 14 from 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and at Seattle Children’s Hospital on May 19 from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Questions? Contact Kim.Arthur@seattlechildrens.org

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Medical Home Partnerships for CYSHCN and Their Families 
Kate Orville 
www.medicalhome.org

Technical Assistance to Communities Growing Local ASD and other Neurodevelopmental Disabilities Identification and Intervention services

- Amy and Kate have been working with the Department of Health AS3D grant, Seattle Children’s Autism Center’s Training Director Jim Mancini and local communities to connect community providers who would like more training and support in diagnosing and providing ongoing care for children with autism and related disabilities. There are recent or upcoming efforts going on in Snohomish County, Greater Grays Harbor and Benton-Franklin Counties.
- Amy Carlsen organized and facilitated the quarterly SMART Team Zoom conference call with guest speaker Jim Mancini, Training Director at Seattle Children’s Autism Center. The focus was training and support for community providers.
- Amy helped the Greater Grays Harbor Autism and Related Disorders Coalition organize a Health Care Authority Center of Excellence training in Lacey that will take place April 14. A standing room only crowd of 35 people have signed up from Grays Harbor, Mason, Lewis, Thurston and Pierce counties- half of them primary care providers or psychologists.
- See more at: http://medicalhome.org/stateinitiatives/community-asset-mapping/school-medical-autism-review-team-smart/

Pediatric Transforming Clinical Practice Initiative (P-TCPI):

- The Regional Care Facilitators have been busy identifying who is doing care coordination already in their ACH region and what the resources are that practices are looking for to help their patients and families. RCF Anne Johnston in SW WA held a successful care coordination summit in Clark County March 29 and RCF Paula Young is organizing one for April 27 in Mt Vernon for the North Sound region. The P-TCPI grant focuses on helping clinicians who see children on Medicaid improve immunization and well child visit rates, improve asthma medication management, decrease potentially avoidable ER visits and increase primary care-behavioral health integration. The RCFs are helping the Practice Facilitators and other members of the regional P-TCPI teams identify strategies to help with these measures. The MHPP and DOH provide technical assistance and support to the RCFs including twice monthly meetings (virtual except for inperson every quarter)
- The Behavioral Health team has come up with Behavioral Health resource lists for most regions: https://pediatrictcpi.org/about-pediatric-tcpi/bhi/
- We are working with physicians and families to help adapt materials for families on medical home, fever and when to use the emergency room. They will be available for piloting later this spring.

Child Health Note

- Available by May 1: Adolescent Depression: Screening and Management in Primary Care
- Child Health Notes: http://medicalhome.org/stateinitiatives/child-health-notes/child-health-notes-topics/#special

Questions? Contact Kate Orville (orville@uw.edu) or 206-685-1279 or Amy Carlsen (carlsa@uw.edu).

University of Washington CSHCN Nutrition Project at CHDD
Sharon Feucht
depts.washington.edu/cshcnnut/

The Nutrition Training contract between the CSHCN Program, DOH, and CHDD-UW, provides training and technical assistance to registered dietitian nutritionists (RDNs) that are part of the CSHCN Nutrition Network, and to Community Feeding Teams, as well as projects related to improving nutrition through medical nutrition therapy and addressing issues related to cost of and reimbursement for nutrition and feeding team services.

Nutrition Network (NN) Training and Development

1. Nutrition Network Meeting, April 30, 2018 in Renton, WA – Agenda topics include an update about pediatric formulas and pre/pro biotics, Food Protein Induced Enterocolitis Syndrome (FPIES), RDN partnering with a feeding therapist, an update on cystic fibrosis and reports from state programs including CSHCN, WIC, HEAL, and Healthiest Next Generation.

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Nutrition Therapy for Congenital Heart Disease and Overview of Neurodevelopmental and Behavior Issues in Congenital Heart Disease; It’s Not Just the Heart.

WA Community Feeding Teams
1. Feeding Team Meeting, May 1, 2018 in Seattle, WA– Agenda topics include Dysphagia Diet Classification update, Constipation and Encopresis, Tongue and Lip Tie, a case study, and updates on state activities and the transition from hospital to home for fragile infants project.
2. Supporting Infant Feeding & Nutrition from Hospital to Home- Conference call March 16, 2018. Reviewed work by the group with collaboration leadership between Adrienne O’Brien from Department of Early Learning and Tiffany Elliott, UWMC – NICU on referral form for hospitals to use to refer infants at risk to early intervention before and/or at discharge.
3. Telehealth Learning Collaborative for Children with Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD) and Restrictive Eating. In collaboration with the Seattle Children’s Hospital Pediatric Feeding Program (PFP), a one-day training (presented Wednesday, February 14, 2018) and two of the ten telehealth model phone calls have been completed. Twenty of twenty-two members from the four selected teams (Teams from Yakima, Wenatchee, Spokane and Pullman) and Sharon Feucht attended the February 14, 2018 training.

Other
Sharon Feucht is a participant with the Collaborative for Improvement and Innovation Network (CoINN) to Advance Care for Children with Medical Complexity (CMC) project. She participated in local committee calls, the national CoINN call on March 14, 2018 and will attend the two-day meeting in April 2018 in Chicago. This project allows for innovative work with children with special health care needs related to nutrition and feeding issues and relates to other activities in this contract including #2 under feeding teams above.

Questions? Contact Sharon Feucht, MA, RDN, CD (sfeucht@uw.edu) or 206-685-1279, or Mari Mazon, MS, RDN, CD (lmmaro@uw.edu).

Washington State Fathers Network (WSFN)
Louis Mendoza
www.fathersnetwork.org

• Working with the Chief Seattle Council of the Boy Scouts. As part of the inclusion committee have begun making presentations on troop inclusion at district roundtables.
• Wrote a brief on the issues I see around community inclusion and some potential ways to address the need.
• Have begun a partnership with the Welcome Inclusion (WIN) effort to get organizations I work with to take the WIN pledge and work toward promoting the inclusion work of these organizations.
• Continue to work on planning the statewide Fatherhood Summit which will take place in June. Recruiting applicants to be on the dad panel.
• The Partnership for Fathers and Families has been asked to become the WA State Chapter of the Fathers and Families Coalition of America.
• In March, 5 more men were trained in the Telling Your Story with a Purpose workshop.
• Attended Results Based Accountability training.
• Finalized the presentation participants from WSFN, WA Dads and Dads Move for a presentation at the Infant and Early Childhood Conference in May.
• Plans put in place or continue for the annual Anacortes Campout, dad and children photo shoot, Conference and Carnation Family Weekend Campout. In addition, arrangements have been made with the Microsoft Store in Seattle to have a dad and kids gaming event.
• Lifetime Involvement/Inclusion for Everyone (LIF) coalition has made plans to hold a community conversation about improving relationships, communication and understanding between law enforcement, young adults with special health care needs and their families.
• Plans have begun to hold, in June, a reunion for long time members of the Network.
• A new WSFN chapter has started in the South King County area. The first meeting had 11 men and the second meeting had 7.
• Co-Facilitated the workshop Unexpected Journey for the P2P program in Mt. Vernon.
1. Many Programs have been hosting or planning to host this Spring the following trainings for parents:
   a. **Telling Your Story with a Purpose**- leadership training. Is a nice follow up for our Helping Parent Volunteers who want to continue their education and leadership skills to be involved in policy and updating and changing systems.
   b. **Holland Series trainings**- for parents or grandparents raising young children. A 6 week series for parents who have just received a diagnosis and need some more support. Chance to get to know other parents in the same situation and learn from one another and also share a curriculum for building support, resilience and parenting skills.
   c. **Caring for the Caregiver classes**- some counties have done the Oregon model and Yakima has done one with WSU Extension that they helped develop. Other Programs are hosting “Taking Care of Yourself” classes to help families relieve stress.

2. State Parent to Parent is involved in the WSLI project of parent leadership development and also on the Medical Home group discussing with Seattle Children’s Hospital CSHCN on how to improve Washington State Clinics so that they are more “family friendly”, help parents feel more comfortable raising their children with special needs so they might use the emergency room less for care and visit their primary doctor more often, give them resources and find support and also what is meant by: Person and Family Engagement strategies.

3. For year ending September 30, 2017 Parent to Parent Programs all were connected to their local CSHCN nurses and to their Regional networks. And trained 709 volunteer Helping Parents; have 33,458 families on our mailing lists; 554 one to one matches (many can last over 3 months) and 10,369 phone calls and emails for support/resources/navigation of systems.

4. The 2018 Washington State Legislature also appropriated an additional $290,000 for year 2018/2019 in the DDA budget to enhance Parent to Parent programs and develop new programs for the 7 counties that do not have a Program. We will be looking at a new Program in Okanogan (possibly with Chelan/Douglas) and also on enhancement of the Spokane Parent to Parent to better include Whitman and Lincoln counties.

5. DOH/Autism Grant also granted us $3,000 to provide scholarships for P2P Coordinators and Helping Parents (with emphasis on Spanish speaking parents) to attend the annual WISe/DDA Community Summit in June 2018 to learn strategies to help families whose children experience Autism.

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**Family to Family Health Information Center (F2FHIC)**

Jill McCormick

www.familyvoicesofwashington.com

Jill McCormick was unable to attend.

**Open Doors for Multicultural Families (ODMF)**

Hodan Mohamed

www.multiculturalfamilies.org

No major updates for ODMF at this time.

**Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI)**

Nicole Klein

Health Services Program Supervisor

www.k12.wa.us/HealthServices/default.aspx

No major updates for OSPI at this time.
Neurodevelopmental Centers (NDCs) Update
Marianne Bastin, Mary Bridge Children’s Therapy Services, Puyallup/Tacoma


The NDCs are currently focused on working with HCA and DOH regarding a transition plan for NDC therapy services to be managed by the MCOs starting July 1, 2018. Currently we are working on detailing a Center of Excellence model and hope to maintain the level of services we currently provide children with special health care needs. The NDC directors look forward to working collaboratively with the MCOs to improve the health of the children and families we serve by fully utilizing the expertise and coordinated care the NDCs provide to this patient population. Current plans are for the NDC directors to meet with representatives of the MCOs by the end of April so as to give time to negotiate contracts and change billing systems for a July 1st transition.

Holly Ridge Center
Holly Ridge Center’s Infant Toddler Program (ITP) is a neurodevelopmental and early learning center providing early intervention services for children ages birth to three. Our program also supports families with education and training so that each child gets the best start possible. We provide services for Kitsap County and North Mason.

At Holly Ridge we provide Family resource coordination, educational services, speech/language therapy, occupational therapy, physical therapy, ABA services, nursing services, oral-motor feeding and nutrition. We are currently service 379 children.

What’s new: We are currently working on a capital campaign to purchase a building so we can expand our services and be more visible in our community. We also have two grants from the DOH - we are working on the AS3D grant training other sites to provide ABA services –we are in the second year of this grant, we recently were granted a carryover grant from the DOH related to the AS3D grant to set up telehealth services to provide parent training for families that have a child with a diagnosis of autism. We recently received a local grant from Kitsap Strong to work on an Innovative Grant to work with a local women’s shelter in our area to help support women and children and provide some training at the shelter regarding child development, resources available in our community.

We were selected to participate in Cohort 3 of ESIT’s State Systemic Improvement Plan (SSIP).

New staff: We recently hired two Registered Behavior Technicians, an OT, and a new SLP will be joining us in May.

New Services: No new services at this moment – looking to expand our ABA services in the future, this is a work in progress.

Challenges: Being able to readily hire staff is always an issue for us – we often compete with the local school districts for staff. Getting staff credentialed can often be a tricky process and takes a lot of time, we often get denials from insurance indicating staff is not credentialed when the paperwork has been turned in/submitted electronically – not sure where the hang up is.

What’s working well: We have increased the number of home visits our educators are doing which has resulted in continuing to build positive relationships with families.

Innovative Services
New staff: We have 3 new therapists since February 1, expanding our team in all 3 disciplines: SLP Melissa Braskett, PT – Rebecca Andrews, DPT, OT – Megan Alexander. While we have a waiting list for all disciplines, this opens our ability to serve additional children.

I am excited to say we have a BCBA starting in May! YahOOOOO… Lori Moorehead comes with great experience and will be helping us build our ABA program. I don’t have much more information at this time, since she just accepted yesterday. By the summer meeting, I will have more updates.

New Services: The remodel on Innovative Services NW’s feeding room is complete allowing us to expand the clients we serve in feeding therapy, provided by qualified, OT and SLP; additionally, we have a SLP specializing in AAC. Which has
expanded our ability to serve children in Clark County that would otherwise be on long waiting lists or require them to travel to Oregon.

Help needed: I am looking a source to consult with related to billing and coding for private insurance. If anyone knows of an individual, I’d welcome an introduction. My outreach to AAPC has not resulted in any responses.

Innovative Services NW is a nonprofit serving Clark County, Washington with Pediatric Therapy Services and Early Intervention. We serve about 600 clients a year, birth through 20 in the two programs. Programs include:
- Early Intervention
- Outpatient OT, PT, and ST
- Orthotics
- Intensive PT
- Incontinence Therapy
- Feeding Therapy

**Kindering Center**

**SUMMARY:** Kindering, now in its 56th year, provides best-in-class therapies and special education for infants and toddlers with disabilities, delays, and other risk factors from sites in Bellevue, Bothell, and Renton. These range from inclusive preschool programming and speech, feeding, and motor therapies to supporting young children experiencing homelessness or living in foster and kinship care, as well as a range of family support services for parents and siblings of children with special needs.

**UPDATES:**
- Kindering served 4,455 children in 2017. Kindering continues to explore and employ scalable strategies, including teleintervention, to expand the reach and accessibility of our services throughout the communities we serve.
- Kindering’s Executive Director Mimi Siegel is set to retire in January 2019 after leading the organization for 40 years. Succession planning has been underway, and the search for her replacement will officially launch this spring.
- We are currently hiring for a new Director of the Sibling Support Project. This key position leads one of our hallmark family support services, Sibshops, which provides crucial support to the siblings of children with special needs. The Project has resulted in 401 Sibshop programs worldwide.
- Our CHERISH program, an innovative and scalable model for supporting healthy relationships for children in foster and kinship care, has recently expanded. This includes increased support for children with complex mental health needs as well as serving preschool-aged children (3-5 years old).
- We are working to grow awareness and reach of our Families in Transition (FIT) programming, now operating out of our Bellevue and Bothell sites, which supports healthy child development and parent-child relationships for families who are homeless or in transitional housing.

**UPCOMING:**
- **Kindering Speaker Series – “All Kids are Gen Ed Kids First” and Other Phrases of Importance:** April 25, 2018, 6:30-8:30pm, Kindering Bellevue. Topics include preparing for when a child transitions through programs and learning the real definition of meaningful inclusion, its importance, and strategies that will result in meaningful inclusion in education and in the community through cross-disability advocacy. The topic is presented by Taina Karru-Olsen of Inclusion for ALL, a grassroots cross-disability organization. RSVP: colleen.willis@kindering.org; Details: [https://kindering.org/portfolio-items/speaker-series/](https://kindering.org/portfolio-items/speaker-series/).
- **Kindering Walk of Courage Tour:** May 2, 2018, 10-11am, Kindering Bellevue. One-hour tour to see our work in action, hear from our families about their unexpected journey raising a child with special needs, and meet some of our professional staff to learn about Kindering’s programs. RSVP: colleen.willis@kindering.org; Details: [https://kindering.org/kcevent/walk-of-courage-wednesday-may-2-2018/](https://kindering.org/kcevent/walk-of-courage-wednesday-may-2-2018/).

Those wishing to learn more about Kindering, its mission, and programs may call Alison Morton at 425-653-4331 or Alison.morton@kindering.org, or visit its website at [www.kindering.org](http://www.kindering.org).

**Mary Bridge Children’s Therapy Services**

Overview- our program provides PT, OT, Speech, Audiology, Orthotics and Assistive Technology services to children birth to 18 in Tacoma and Puyallup with speech services available in Olympia. We served over 7000 children last year and are actively looking to expand to other outreach areas. Our Neonatal Follow-Up program served over 600 children last year.
We continue to offer Sibshop and Parent Education program at little to no cost due to generous donors. Reach Out and Read supplied over 2700 books last year- again due to wonderful donors.

We have opening positions in speech therapy, audiology, and occupational therapy.

We have increased our access to behavioral health services for our patients through expanded partnership opportunities with MultiCare Behavioral Health Services.

We are growing our AAC program and actively working on establishing a loaner bank of AAC devices for children to use while waiting for insurance to authorize a recommended device.

Steven Shores, OTR/L, who is well known in the area for managing our Assistive Technology Program has retired! We have rehired Eric Tonsager, OTR/L who is now the program coordinator. Eric was an OT at CTU and an OT supervisor at Mary Bridge before his recent employment at Olympic Pharmacy. Eric is a welcome addition to our team.

We have our first benchmark report from the use of the WeeFIM outcome measure. Our rate of patient progress was 40% better than the national average. Our sample size is small and we are cautiously optimistic that this will be a worthwhile tool for improving quality care.

We recently brought the Mary Bridge Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation program under our wing so that we can have a tighter relationship between the rehab docs and the therapy services.

**Yakima Children’s Village**

What’s new: Our staff are excited about new smart phones for home visiting. Our recent Parent to Parent event called Eggstravaganza had over 400 participants with 238 of them being children. We handed out 75 books from our Reach out and Read program to children birth to five years of age. The Nurse Family Partnership program will be hiring a nurse to work exclusively with the Native American population in our community through grant funding.

Challenges-openings: We are still looking for the right fit for a CEO position for Children’s Village. We have a posting for a vision specialist, referral coordinator, speech and language pathologist and new office supervisor for early intervention.

New Services: B-3 has a new group in the pool for parents with their toddlers. This has been highly successful and engaging for children in an aquatic environment.

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**Department of Early Learning**

**Early Support for Infants and Toddlers (DEL-ESIT)**

Debi Donelan

www.del.wa.gov/esit

**ESIT Staff Updates:** Teniel Sabin is no longer with the Department of Early Learning. We are recruiting for a Program Consultant; click the following link for more information: [https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/washington/jobs/1999657/program-consultant-commerce-specialist-4-22075](https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/washington/jobs/1999657/program-consultant-commerce-specialist-4-22075)

**Annual Application for Federal Funding:** ESIT will apply for FFY 2018 funding in April, 2018. As part of the application process, ESIT is required to hold a public comment period prior to each year’s application submission. The 30 day public comment period, prior to submitting the application, will be held in February or March, 2018.

**State Systemic Improvement Plan (SSIP):** The Phase III, Year 2 report was submitted to OSEP on March 29, 2018. The plan can be found here: [https://del.wa.gov/sites/default/files/public/ESITWA_Part_C_SSIP_Phase_III_Year_2_2018.pdf](https://del.wa.gov/sites/default/files/public/ESITWA_Part_C_SSIP_Phase_III_Year_2_2018.pdf)

Improvement activities have been implemented statewide and more intensive activities were completed with the following implementation sites:

- **Cohort 1:** Island, Pierce, Columbia/Walla Walla, and Yakima Counties.
- **Cohort 2:** Educational Service District (ESD) 112 serving Clark, Klickitat, Pacific, and Skamania Counties; ESD 171 serving Chelan, Douglas, and Grant Counties, and South Sound Parent to Parent serving Thurston, South Mason, Grays Harbor Counties.
- **Cohort 3:** Three new implementation sites serving four counties will begin in July 2018: Boost Collaborative serving Garfield and Whitman Counties, Holly Ridge Center serving Kitsap County, and Reliable Enterprises and Growing Together, serving Lewis County.
Family Resources Coordinator (FRC) Training: The next FRC training/Professional Learning Community (PLC) is scheduled for June 12, 2018 from 9:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. The topic is transition. Interested individuals may participate in trainings as space allows. For more information, contact Sue Blount at sue.blount@esd112.org.

State Interagency Coordinating Council (SICC): The next SICC meeting is April 25, 2018 from 9:00-3:00 at Navos Mental Health and Wellness Center, 1210 SW 136th St, Burien, WA 98166. Contact Jahla Brown at Jahla.Brown@del.wa.gov for more information or follow this link to R.S.V.P.: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/april-25-2018-sicc-meeting-tickets-43858899148

IECC Conference: The annual Infant and Early Childhood Conference will be held May 2, 3, and 4, 2018 at the Tacoma Convention Center. For more information or to register, visit the conference website: https://ieccwa.org/2018/index.php

DSHS, Developmental Disabilities Administration (DDA)
Kari Thompson

Refer to “Open MIC” section on pages 6-7 of final minutes for DDA updates.

DSHS / DDA, Medically Intensive Children’s Program
Doris Barret

No major updates at this time.

DSHS, Fostering Well-Being Care Coordination Unit (FWB CCU)
Michelle Milholland-Fears

No major updates for Foster Well-Being at this time.

DSHS, Kinship and Family Caregiver Program
Hilarie Hauptman
www.dshs.wa.gov/kinshipcare

An article which Kathy Moisio (DOH, Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission) and I wrote: Grandparents and Other Relatives Raising Children: How Nurses Can Support The Unique Needs of Kinship Care Families was recently published in the Spring 2018, edition of Washington Nursing Commission News https://www.doh.wa.gov/Portals/1/Documents/6000/669256-Spring2018.pdf. It focuses on American Academy of Pediatrics recommendations on serving these families, some unique challenges of kinship care, plus resources for nurses and others to use.

Financial needs are the number one unmet need of kinship care families. Kinship Navigators are working with Economic Services Administration to let relatives raising children know that as of July 1, 2018 the TANF Child Only Means Testing (of the relatives income) is going away (the legislature repealed the income requirement). This means that more relatives will be eligible to receive funding for the children they are raising. Attached above are the talking points created by ESA to help kinship caregivers understand this change. (See Attachment 3 for Kinship Navigator Talking Points.)

A reminder update:
Relatives raising children can have free access to the Seattle Aquarium (with two year passes) or the Seattle Pacific Science Center (one-year passes) or some limited Woodland Park Zoo tickets. To find out where to get the passes, please contact: Hilarie Hauptman, Kinship Care Program Manager, 360-725-2556, Hilarie.Hauptman@dshs.wa.gov.

Lifespan Respite Washington (LRW)
Linda Porter
www.lifespanrespitewa.org

Linda Porter was unable to attend.
No major updates for WithinReach at this time.

Liv Woodstrom was unable to attend.

EHDDI Update: The EHDDI team presented their findings on the impact of their Instruction Guide for electronic linkage with Part C services at the national conference at Denver last month. The poster (see Attachment #4) highlighting the benefits of linking our surveillance and tracking system for infants who are deaf or hard of hearing with the Department of Early Learning's system for enrollment of infants in early intervention won a Blue Ribbon award.

Genetics Update: Our first report on Critical Congenital Heart Disease (CCHD) Screening for infants in Washington State will be published shortly. Newborn screening was mandated in 2015 but without funding. The data for this report are diagnosis data from the three hospitals in WA with neonatal cardiology surgical services. There were a total of 183 infants born in WA with CCHD between July 1st 2015 and December 31st 2016. Of these, 17 (or 9%) were identified through CCHD newborn screening.

See Attachment #5 for region updates.

See Pierce County ACH and Attachment #12.

The Greater Columbia Region met March 19 via conference call. See Attachment #6 for the region meeting minutes.

See Attachment #7 for region updates.
North Central ACH
Carol McCormick, Chelan-Douglas County
[ The Region includes the following counties: Chelan-Douglas, Grant, and Okanogan ]

See Attachment #8 for region updates.

North Sound ACH
Paula Young, Skagit County
[ The Region includes the following counties: Island, San Juan, Skagit, Snohomish, and Whatcom ]

See Attachment #9 for region updates.

Olympic Community of Health ACH
Karina Mazur, Kitsap County
[ The Region includes the following counties: Clallam, Jefferson and Kitsap ]

The original Northwest CSHCN Region consists of three ACH Regions – Olympic Community of Health, King County, and North Central. The three ACH Regions have agreed to continue to meet as a group. Karina submitted the region meeting minutes on behalf of all three ACH Regions (see Attachment #10). Karina also submitted Olympic Community of Health region updates (see Attachment #11).

Pierce County ACH
Kate Phillips, Tacoma-Pierce County
[ The Region includes the following county: Tacoma-Pierce ]

The original Southwest CSHCN Region consists of three ACH Regions – Cascade Pacific Action Alliance, Pierce County, and Southwest Washington. The three ACH Regions have agreed to continue to meet as a group. The SW CSHCN/ACH Region met February 22. See Attachment #12 for region minutes.
The next Southwest Washington CSHCN Region meeting is May 24th.

Southwest Washington Regional Health Alliance ACH
Anne Johnston, Clark County
[ The Region includes the following counties: Clark, Klickitat and Skamania ]

See Pierce County ACH and Attachment #12.

Attachments

1. 2017 Capacity Assessment Executive Summary
2. 2018 Washington Apple Health Income and Resource Standards
3. TANF Child Only Means Testing Repeal, Kinship Navigator Talking Points
4. Findings from the Washington State EHDDI Program’s Electronic Linkage with Part C Services Poster
5. Better Health Tomorrow ACH/CSHCN Region Updates
6. Greater Columbia ACH/CSHCN Region Updates
7. King County ACH/CSHCN Region Updates
8. North Central ACH/CSHCN Region Updates
9. North Sound ACH/CSHCN Region Updates
10. Olympic Community of Health, King County, and North Sound ACH/CSHCN Region Minutes
11. Olympic Community of Health/AQH Region Updates
12. Cascade Pacific Action Alliance, Pierce County, Southwest Washington ACH/CSHCN Region Minutes

Next CSHCN Communication Network Meeting
Thursday, July 12, 2018
Creekside Two at Centerpoint
20425 72nd Avenue South
Kent, Washington
Conference Room 309