CSHCN Program Mission: To promote integrated systems of care which assure the population of 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.

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 health care needs the opportunity to achieve the healthiest life possible and develop to their full potential.

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Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Program Update
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CSHCN Program Updates
If you would like a copy of the PowerPoint presentation “Care Coordination Across Systems” contact Christy Polking, christy.polking@doh.wa.gov.

Staff Updates: Healthy Starts & Transitions. The CSHCN Program has not yet filled the program’s Nutrition Consultant position (Joan Zerzan retired in March 2018) but we plan to begin the recruitment process shortly. The Child Health and Development Program, also in Healthy Starts and Transitions, has had several recent staffing changes. The previous grant coordinator for Project LAUNCH (Linking Actions for Unmet Needs), Sherry Trout, left this position. Laraine Clardy joined the Child Health and Development Program team and will be managing contracts associated with Project LAUNCH and will be coordinating meetings for that project, as well. The Universal Developmental Screening and Behavioral Health Consultant, a key member of DOH’s Project LAUNCH team, left her position earlier this month (Sharon Shadwell). DOH is working to fill that position.
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Child Health Intake Form (CHIF) Database
We officially awarded the contract, for the CHIF Redesign Project, to Cayzen Technologies. Currently, we are in the contracting process and hope to have a contract in place with Cayzen by September 1, 2018. If we stay on track with our timeline, we should be deploying a new CHIF web-based database by March 1, 2019.

Washington Statewide Leadership Initiative (WSLI)
WSLI had their annual in person meeting on June 26th at SeaTac Community Center. There were 35 attendees from all around the state. The topic for this year’s meeting was replicating successful community inclusion projects. We heard from the Welcome Inclusion Initiative and brainstormed effective strategies for engaging the business community and member organizations that serve children. We also heard a panel presentation from parents about the importance of social and emotional learning curriculum to promote inclusion in schools. We spent the afternoon using a results based accountability exercise to identify strategies and measureable metrics to inform next steps. Participants overwhelmingly agreed that the meeting was valuable in creating connections and next steps. There are plans to convene by Zoom to continue the conversation and move the work forward. Michelle has created a weekly wa.gov bulletin/listserv with WSLI information and welcomes any submissions. If you want to subscribe to this listserv, contact Michelle directly.

For more WSLI information, please contact Michelle Hoffman at 360-236-3504 or michelle.hoffman@doh.wa.gov.

CSHCN Rule (Washington Administrative Code-WAC) Update
In May and June, DOH completed a required legal review of the CSHCN DRAFT rule. Thank you to the “informal” reviewers for providing feedback. Once the DRAFT rule has been filed with the WA State Code Revisers office, we will send you a link for you to review and provide comments. This is known as the CR102 process.

For more information, contact Ellen Silverman at 360-236-3580 or ellen.silverman@doh.wa.gov.

AS3D (Autism and Other Developmental Disabilities) Grant
Peer-to-Peer: In April, the DOH Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs Program (CYSHCN) in partnership with AS3D grant partners hosted the 2nd Peer-to-Peer meeting which was held in Eastern WA. The meeting was sponsored by the Association of Maternal & Child Health Programs (AMCHP) and was 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, were 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 in an on-site, face-to-face meeting format for ASD/DD grantees to share ideas and obtain technical assistance in addition to the monthly Community of Learners web-calls.

AS3D partner, Ginger Kwan, Executive Director of Open Doors for Multicultural Families gave an amazing presentation on “Important Considerations for Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Families”.

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WAAC 2018: The date has been set for the 2018 Annual Washington Autism Advisory Council (WAAC) Meeting. (Goal 3): Monday, November 5th form 9am-3pm. This year’s meeting will be held at the SeaTac Community Center – a different location than past meetings. The planning committee has been working on developing the agenda and speaker outreach starts soon! More to share at the next CommNet.

Family Navigation (Goal 2) The Family Navigation Ad hoc Committee, led by CSHCN’s Family Engagement Coordinator, Michelle Hoffman, continues their outreach about 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 (nwautism.org), Open Doors for Multicultural Families (multiculturalfamilies.org) and Washington Autism Alliance and Advocacy (washingtonautismadvocacy.org). Please check their websites for additional information. Approved Carry Forward was used to have 2 additional in-person trainings given by Ginger Kwan of Open Doors – and a big thank you to Heather Milliren for coordinating the meeting logistics for one of the trainings at the Skagit County Health Department, and Jill McCormick at PAVE for supporting the costs of snacks and drinks under the AS3D grant!

Telehealth (TH) (Goals 1 & 3)
In collaboration with our grant partners on the Telehealth (TH) ad hoc Committee, led by HST’s Nurse Consultant, Ellen Silverman, we are nearing the completion of our Telehealth activities with the DRAFT Strategic Plan to advance TH. The final document is planned to be posted on the DOH website. The DOH Telehealth Lead and other key staff and stakeholders are in the process of developing a Telehealth Strategic Plan that include recommend series of action steps, based on the findings and conclusions from the TH Capacity Assessment, “Creating Connections: Addressing the Needs of Children with Autism and Other Developmental Disabilities Using Telehealth” and from the AMCHP sponsored Peer-to-Peer conference in April. These action steps are meant to move us toward successful implementation of telehealth services. In this strategic plan, they are organized into the following three main categories: Engagement and education,
Telehealth Infrastructure, and Policy and Advocacy. The strategic plan will identify needed activities associated within these three areas in more detail for the different audiences to consider when implementing telehealth and we are in the process of determining the leads and timelines for each activity with the goal of identifying what activities need to occur for successful implementation at the practice and systems levels.

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)
Washington was one of five states awarded a competitive, five-year CDC Essentials for Childhood grant in 2013. The grant supports collaboration to promote safe, stable nurturing relationships and environments for children and families through August 2018.

ACEs and Resilience Community of Practice
About 80 people from around the state participated in the launch of an ACEs and Resilience Community of Practice on April 26 in Tacoma. Participants came from at least 14 counties from across the state, where they work in fields that including health, child welfare, early learning, education and other community organizing. They shared that they came to:
- Learn from each other
- Connect, bridge build, and meet people doing similar work
- Learn solutions that have worked elsewhere
- Affirm we aren’t alone
- Help integrate across sectors at the state level and in communities.

The event included an open space of discussions on topics put forward by participants.
- Collective Impact – support, sustain and maintain
- Leading the shift to a culture of wellbeing
- More training for parents
- There is no “I” in team
- Trauma informed approach to mental health and addiction
- Trauma informed schools, restorative healing, school environments
- Work being done with Maternal and Child Health Block Grant funds
- Workforce development. Evaluation results were received from 51 people. They highly favorable, indicating that nearly all respondents want to stay involved. We are working on a plan for the group going forward, including for another in-person event in the fall.

New Funding Opportunities.

Essentials for Childhood, 2018-2023. The Department of Health recently submitted a proposal for the new, competitive Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Essentials for Childhood Funding Opportunity. This is a 5-year grant of up to $311,000 per year to decrease risk factors and increase protective factors for child abuse and neglect. The grant requires enhancing an existing state prevention plan, building on and increasing the impact of multi-sector partnerships, and focusing on at least two complementary approaches – addressing strengthening economic supports for families and changing social norms to support parents and positive parenting. Approaches are rooted in the CDC Technical Package, Preventing Child Abuse and Neglect. The grant also requires a strong process and outcome evaluation.

The proposal highlights and build on the current EFC multisector structure and framework. We are exploring approaches to: 1) build on and promote the work of the Governor’s Work Group on Poverty Reduction with and ACEs and brain science lens, and 2) Support communities to develop/promote messages to raise awareness and change norms about parents needs for help/support and value of knowledge of child development, with intention of support work to build a Help Me Grow system in Washington, as well as highlighting tools such as Vroom, Child Profile and others that support parents with information and connection to systems and resources.

The CDC plans to announce successful proposal in August; the grant starts in September.

Project HOPE is a 2 year opportunity funded by Nemours working with the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation to promote child health and reduce disparities, building capacity in existing structures to support health equity and engaging communities. Washington applied for a state grant building on EFC and Frontiers of Innovation and is a finalist for consideration.

Three or four Washington communities are also being considered for a related set of Project Hope grants, so we could potential be working at multiple levels in the state and share lessons at the EFC Steering Committee.

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 has experienced some recent staffing changes. Sherry Trout and Sharon Shadwell recently left DOH. Sherry’s position has been filled, and recruitment is under way for Sharon’s position. Laraine Clardy and Leslie Carroll are currently the contacts for the LAUNCH grant during the transition.

New contracts are being put in place with the Child Care Action Council to continue LAUNCH work in North Thurston County, and with Community Minded Enterprises which covers Benton-Franklin. In addition to Catholic Charities in Yakima, which partners with DOH and covers Chelan-Douglas LAUNCH activities, work is moving forward to continue strategy one, universal developmental screen, and starting strategy two, Infant-Early Childhood Mental Health Consultation in the expansion communities.

DOH has received the notice of award for year four of the LAUNCH project period.

*For more information, please contact Laraine Clardy at 360-236-3523 or laraine.clardy@doh.wa.gov or Leslie Carroll at 360-236-3733 or leslie.carroll@doh.wa.gov.*

**P-TCPi – Regional Care Coordination Project Update**
DOH held two webinar meetings in June for the Regional Care Facilitators and the Practice Facilitators.

On June 13, we reviewed the RHINO data system. RHINO gathers data from hospitals and clinics and contains the complete medical record this also includes emergency room data. By law, all emergency rooms are required to report – see [http://app.leg.wa.gov/RCW/default.aspx?cite=43.70.057](http://app.leg.wa.gov/RCW/default.aspx?cite=43.70.057). Currently, 51% of EDs currently have production-quality data. By the end of the year, the data staff are hoping to have 50% of registered clinics and 100% of all emergency departments in the data system. Currently, 2,500 outpatient clinics are registered with the RHINO system (mostly clinics from bigger systems, but some are smaller clinics). In addition to the clinical data, there are indicators such as air quality so you can compare ED visits for asthma with air quality. For additional information, please see Attachment #1 for the handout RHINO Community of Practice FAQ Sheet.

On June 14, the HCA provided an overview of the Medicaid Health Home program. Please see Attachment #2 for the HCA Health Home presentation. Per the HCA, a Health Home is not a place. It is a set of services supporting eligible clients.

The Health Home program helps clients:

- Develop a person-centered health action plan
- Improve self-management of chronic conditions
- Ensure care coordination and care transitions

The Health Home program provides the following specific services:

- Comprehensive care management
- Care coordination
- Health promotion
- Comprehensive transitional care
- Individual and family support
- Referral to community and social support services

**Client eligibility**
Apple Health clients of all ages, including Medicaid/Medicare dual eligible clients, may be eligible for the Health Home program if they:

- Have at least one chronic condition and are at risk for another
- Have a PRISM predictive risk score of 1.5 (per WAC 182-557-0225)
- Meet Apple Health (Medicaid) eligibility criteria

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

**Universal Developmental Screening (UDS)**
Healthy Starts and Transitions created a brief learning module about UDS and HMG for our internal team, and want to share it with you (see Attachment #3). It’s a starting place for learning more about the connections between UDS and HMG, and what is happening here in WA. As you review the learning module, please send any comments and questions to Leslie Carroll at leslie.carroll@doh.wa.gov. Leslie is the new lead on UDS at DOH.
For additional information on UDS Systems Development and Help Me Grow, please contact Leslie Carroll at 360-236-3733 or leslie.carroll@doh.wa.gov.

Healthy Communities LHJ Contracts Updates
MCHBG planning materials for the upcoming year beginning October 1 were sent to all the LHJ leads in June, with just a few revisions to documents. There will be a webinar on July 12th from 9-10am to go over materials and answer questions. Contract amendments for the upcoming year are in process, and should be finalized well before the start date.

For more information, please contact Mary Dussol at 360-236-3781 or mary.dussol@doh.wa.gov.

Strategic Topic

Care Coordination Across Systems

All

“Care Coordination Across Systems”… it’s a huge challenge! In Washington, only about 5-10% of children with special health care needs receive care coordination. This is common among other states too.

The National Academy for State Health Policy (NASHP) publication entitled “How States Structure Medicaid Managed Care to Meet the Unique Needs of Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs” (see Attachment #4) was provided to the group in preparation for this discussion. Pages 5 and part of 6 highlight care coordination (CC) across systems.

Meredith reviewed how some other states do care coordination and strategies of other states who aren’t yet integrated. According to the report, Meredith mentioned that NASHP found that while there is variation in the MCOs systems that states have implemented, there are many common approaches to how they provide care coordination. The report also encourages MCOs with health services organizations to share data, require MCO to designate a Care Coordinator and establish tools, policies and systems (need state leadership level).

The small group discussion activity was to look at the recommended strategies from NASHP (which are on the bottom page 1 and top page 2 of NASHP document) and discussed the following: 1) Which do you think are feasible? 2) Feasible at all? 3) Most feasible? And of the ones that are most feasible, what are opportunities and barriers (refer to Attachment #5 for details on the discussion).

The regional breakout in the afternoon continued the discussion on “How can Title V/MCHBG programs and families of CSHCN support care coordination” (refer to Attachment #6 for details on the discussion).

Here are the questions that were addressed:
1. Do you think that LHJs in your region of the state would be open to considering using their MCHBG contract funds to support a regional approach to providing care coordination through local public health?
2. Do you think that WA should prioritize CSHCN with certain types of conditions and/or CSHCN with severe medical complexities? If no, why not? If yes, what are some criteria that should be considered to prioritize CSHCN to receive care coordination through Title V/MCHBG funds?
3. In your region, how are families included and partnered with as part of their child’s care coordination?

Special Presentation

Telling the Title V Story

Michelle Hoffman, Family Engagement Coordinator

HST Family Engagement Coordinator completed a formal business analysis of family and community engagement alignment with our Maternal and Child Health action plan and goals in 2017. We are in the process of implementing several of the recommendations to better capture outcomes around our commitment and investment in family and community engagement. One of the identified barriers was that many of our family leaders and non-profit partners who provide support to families have never received training on public health and maternal and child health goals and leadership competencies. It can be hard to see how public health supports direct services organization to increase systems integration and decrease silos that families experience when navigating complex health and social services systems. This training was put together to offer opportunities to train stakeholders on MCH and public health roles in systems improvement work as well as help public health professionals to think about how they could ensure that public health is represented in large cross systems initiatives.
Community behavioral health moves to HCA on July 1
HCA will welcome about 120 employees from the Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) on July 1, as we take on responsibility for the state’s community behavioral health system. This includes community-based mental health services and substance use disorder prevention and treatment.

Why is this change happening?
Gov. Jay Inslee requested this move in House Bill 1388, which aligns the state’s resources to best support integration of physical and behavioral health services statewide for Apple Health (Medicaid) clients. HB 1388 passed the Legislature during the 2018 session, and was signed into law.

The bill better aligns the functions of three state agencies to improve services so consumers and providers can more effectively and efficiently navigate the system. The goal is achieving better coordinated, quality and cost-effective care.

What specifically is changing?
- Designates HCA as the state mental health authority, including for the administration of the involuntary treatment act. DSHS will continue to administer the state Western and Eastern mental health hospitals.
- Transfers the substance use prevention services currently at DSHS to HCA because these program funds are closely tied to the treatment dollars.
- Moves licensing and certification of behavioral health providers and facilities to the Department of Health (DOH), including licensing behavioral health agencies and the certification of mental health, substance use disorder, and problem gambling services offered by behavioral health agencies. This transfer will reduce the administrative burdens of licensing and certification of behavioral health providers and facilities.

What do these changes mean for me?
- Apple Health (Medicaid) clients: Continue accessing health services as you currently are.
- Providers: While contracts are shifting to HCA, providers should expect to continue to work with primarily the same staff members after July 1 as you have before.
- Licensed agencies: While the licensing function is moving to DOH, expect to continue to work with primarily the same licensing staff members after July 1 as you have before. There is more information on DOH’s website.

What does it mean to integrate physical and behavioral health services?
Per Senate Bill 6312, passed in 2014, Washington is transforming how it delivers behavioral health services. We are doing this by integrating the financing and delivery of physical and behavioral health care for Apple Health (Medicaid) by 2020. Behavioral health includes mental health and substance use disorder treatment.

Apple Health clients have had to navigate separate systems in order to access the physical and behavioral health services they needed to stay healthy. The physical health, mental health, and substance use disorder delivery systems often didn’t communicate about clients’ care, which led to duplication of services, poorly coordinated care, lower health outcomes, and a frustrating experience for Apple Health clients and the providers who serve them.

Integration will help provide a whole-person approach to care in one system, through an integrated network of providers.

Two of nine Apple Health purchasing areas have already moved to integration:
- Southwest Washington (which includes Clark and Skamania counties) integrated in April 2016.

Healthier Washington Update
On May 30, the Healthier Washington team submitted its first sustainability report on the State Innovation Models (SIM) Grant to the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation (CMMI). CMMI is the division of Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) that oversees our SIM Grant in Washington.

The Sustainability Plan Part 1 outlines Washington State’s accomplishments, changes in environment, end-state vision, and lessons learned since the inception of programs under Healthier Washington. The report provides a snapshot of the
strides our state has made toward the “Quadruple Aim” of healthier populations, smarter spending, better care, and provider satisfaction.

The report highlights progress to date on all of Healthier Washington’s goals, including the status of Accountable Communities of Health, shared decision making, value-based purchasing, and payment strategies, and integration of physical and behavioral health, among others. It also describes plans for sustaining the work beyond the grant’s end date of January 31, 2019.

HCA, Department of Health, Department of Social and Health Services, and other partners are continuing to work together to create work plans to advance transformational efforts that started with the SIM grant. Part 2 of the report is due to CMMI later this year.

HCA asks feds for reconsideration on tribal dental therapists
OLYMPIA – The Washington State Health Care Authority today asked the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) to reconsider their denial of a request to use Medicaid funding for dental health aide therapist services in tribal communities.

Senate Bill 5079—which the Legislature passed in 2017 and Gov. Jay Inslee signed into law—for the first time authorized dental health aide therapist services only for tribal members and their families.

Such therapists are widely used in Alaska, and have helped address a shortage of dentists in rural tribal communities throughout that state.

In August 2017, HCA asked CMS to approve use of Medicaid funding for dental health aide therapists for tribal communities. On May 15, 2018, CMS denied the request, stating that HCA’s request did not comply with several provisions of the Social Security Act related to statewide access to Medicaid services.

In a letter submitted to CMS today, HCA State Medicaid Director MaryAnne Lindeblad asked them to reconsider this denial, noting that Medicaid clients who are in tribal communities could still access the same dental services from other qualified providers.

“CMS has indicated its strong support for improving dental services for tribes,” Lindeblad said. “I’m confident we can continue working with our federal partners to find a solution that meets Medicaid program requirements and helps improve dental access. Oral health is essential to overall health.”

QUESTION FOLLOW UP
1. Why is Human ARC calling families to assist CYSHCN individuals with SSI facilitation?
   - Human Arc is a partner Molina works with to assist our members who may be eligible for SSI. There is no cost to the member and often, they receive cash benefits from SSI.
   - Human Arc is not a scam, and they will not ask for payment information from members as they know that the services are free of charge to the member. When Human Arc calls they should identify themselves as Human Arc. For additional details, see the CYSHCN Regional Rep minutes.

2. Who do we contact when there are issues with non-emergency transportation (NEMT)?
   - At the last CYSHCN meeting a number of you reported issues with transportation brokers and their contracted providers. Here is the information on how to report issues:
     PROVIDER: [www.hca.wa.gov/billers-providers/programs-and-services/transportation-services-non-emergency](http://www.hca.wa.gov/billers-providers/programs-and-services/transportation-services-non-emergency)
     EMAIL: HCANEMTTRANS@hca.wa.gov

Clients and/or providers can submit complaints directly to us through the email address above. The NEMT team monitors this mailbox on a daily basis. Here is a list of some key pieces of information that would be helpful for us to research any issue.

Client ProviderOne ID
Date of Service
Transportation Broker
Summary of the Issue
As always, feel free to reach out to Colette or myself if you have other questions or concerns.

Kevin Cornell  
CHIP/Foster Care Program Manager  
Office of Medicaid Eligibility Policy  
Kevin.cornell@hca.wa.gov  
(360) 725-1423

Colette Jones  
RN, MN, Nurse Consultant  
Medicaid Compliance Review Unit  
Colette.Jones@hca.wa.gov  
(360) 725-1782

Health Plans

Amerigroup-Washington  
Tonya Niverson  
www.amerigroupcorp.com

[ Coverage Area Includes: All Counties except Adams, Chelan, Clallam, Clark, Cowlitz, Douglas, Ferry, Grant, Kittitas, Lincoln, Okanogan, Skamania, and Wahkiakum ]

No new updates at this time.

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 ]

CHPW was not represented at this meeting.

Coordinated Care  
Sherry Bennatts and Cary Robertson  
www.coordinatedcarehealth.com

[ Coverage Area Includes: All Counties except Clallam, Ferry, Kittitas, and Pend Oreille ]

No new updates at this time.

Molina Healthcare of Washington  
Cathi Sears  
www.molinahealthcare.com

[ Coverage Area Includes All Counties except Island, Jefferson, Klickitat, Skamania, and Wahkiakum ]

No new updates at this time.

UnitedHealthcare  
Cindy Spain and Mandy Herreid  
www.uhc.com

[ Coverage Area Includes: All Counties except Clallam, Cowlitz, Garfield, Pend Oreille, San Juan, Skagit, and Whatcom ]

UnitedHealthcare has implemented policies surrounding mental health for children (in particular CSHCN) and have partnered with Boys and Girls clubs of Washington to give grants for mental health services.
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The Center for Children with Special Needs (CSCN) at Seattle Children's
Jacquie Stock
www.cshcn.org

• **New!** Washington State *Inclusive Playgrounds* and Parks and *Recreation and Sports* resource on CSHCN.org—Beth Crispin, Senior Health Educator, researched and developed CSHCN.org content on statewide accessible playgrounds and recreation opportunities.

• **Telling Your Story with a Purpose**, family leadership training provided by Kim Arthur, MPH, at Seattle Children’s Hospital.

• Initiating evaluation of family leadership trainings to assess to what extent attendees subsequently participate in an advocacy or leadership activity.

• Kim Arthur, MPH, attended Somali Health Board Autism Awareness event, meeting with partners to understand advocacy need in the Washington State Somali community.

• **Organizing Your Child’s Health Information**—CSCN team videoing parents discussing strategies and tools for how they organize their child’s health information—new content coming to CSHCN.org in September.

• **Person and Family Engagement (PFE) News – June 2018** – this two page newsletter described the rationale for PFE, identifying the six PFE Metrics, and described available Technical Assistance. PFE News was sent to 204 practices enrolled in P-TCPI, and approximately 20 other TCPI colleagues (Practice Facilitators, Regional Care Facilitators, UW MHP and DOH). Questions or suggestions for the next PFE News? Contact Noel.Rees@seattlechildren.org.

• **Survey Monkey: Pediatric-TCPI Person and Family Engagement** – Survey was distributed to 204 practices enrolled in P-TCPI. Purpose of the survey was to identify where practices are in their transformation journey related to Person and Family Engagement. Results of the 73 returned surveys were presented at the July 11 Regional Care Coordination Meeting.

• Conducted **Key Informant Interviews with DOH Practice Facilitators** to understand current status of PFE policies and procedures among practices enrolled in Washington State P-TCPI. Survey results were presented at the July 11 Regional Care Coordination Meeting.

• Provided input on patient education materials aimed at reducing ER visits. Materials were part of the **ED Patient Education Pilot** done in June 2018 by 8 Washington pediatric providers with 50 families.

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

• We 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. Jim Mancini and Dr. Stobbe will be using AS3D mini–grant funds to bring in an expert from the **University of Missouri’s Autism ECHO program** to provide consultation on how Washington could develop an autism focused telehealth training and consultation program.

• Kate Orville participated as part of the AS3D WA State Team for the HRSA telehealth conference in Spokane in April as well as getting to meet with the Better Health Together P-TCPI Team, regional CSHCN Coordinators and NW Autism Center (thanks Melissa Charbonneau for organizing!)

• Amy Carlsen organized and facilitated the quarterly SMART Team Zoom conference call with the topic of funding opportunities for sustainability and care coordination.

• We helped Seattle Children’s promote several autism trainings for primary care providers, other clinicians and families in the Tri-Cities area June 7-9. They had over 50 clinicians attend. The training for becoming a Health Care Authority recognized Autism Center of Excellence training resulted in 21 clinicians beginning the process to become a center. We have begun consulting with Melissa Brooks, RN Parent Coordinator at the ARC of Tri-Cities to develop a School-Medical-Autism-Review Team for children with Medicaid in the area.

Pediatric Transforming Clinical Practice Initiative (P-TCPI):
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• 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 9 Regional Care Facilitators have identified resources and resource lists/key coordinators in their Accountable Communities of Health (ACH) regions. They have also collaborated with or brought together care coordinator or other community forums to identify care gaps for children and how the community can use their strengths to address where children are getting lost to care or not connected to needed services. The Regional Care Coordination Project with the RCFs is funded through September 2018. There will be concrete models and products to share with the group at the next Communication Network meeting.

• A subset of the P-TCPI Medical Home Neighborhood Team (Parent to Parent, PAVE, Seattle Children’s CCSN, RCFs and MHPP) has been working with the regional Team Pediatrician Champions to pilot family education materials for families on fever (a major cause of emergency room visits) and when to use your doctor’s office vs. the emergency room. Dr. Beth Harvey, P-TCPI Engagement Team Lead at the “ER is for Emergencies” meeting in June: Eight pediatricians piloted fliers with 50 families using scripts. Families had a positive reaction to the providers explaining the contents of tools like the handouts and were clearly interested increasing their own competency to deal with their child’s health emergencies. There were a number of potential areas of work out of this pilot including refining timing of distribution (earlier in child’s life) and consider curriculum (such as the evidence based What To Do When Your Child Gets Sick) to support family competencies and use of resources. The English and Spanish pilot fliers will be branded and made available. We are looking at translating them into Russian, Vietnamese, and Somali as well.

Child Health Notes
We are looking forward to working with communities expanding their use of CHNs regionally. P-TCPI RCF Karina Mazur from Kitsap is talking with Jefferson and Clallam Counties producing CHNs regionally, RCF Apple Martine has been talking with colleagues in the Cascade Region about expanding, some of whom already distribute CHNs (Thurston and Cowlitz currently active)

- Child Health Notes (available by mid-July): Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome
- Child Health Notes (May): Adolescent Depression: Screening and Management in Primary Care (Generic PDF Version)
- Child Health Notes Topics: http://medicalhome.org/stateinitiatives/child-health-notes/child-health-notes-topics/#tools

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
dep.ts.washington.edu/cshcnnut/

The Nutrition Training contract between CYSHCN Program, DOH, and CHDD-UW assures access to quality nutrition services including training and technical assistance to registered dietitian nutritionists (CSHCN Nutrition Network) and WA Community Feeding Teams and serving as a resource for evidenced based pediatric nutrition information for CSHCN.

CSHCN Nutrition Network (NN)

1. Nutrition Network – 50 individuals attended the NN meeting and continuing education workshop on April 30, 2018. Agenda topics included information about infant formulas and pre and probiotics, FPIES (food protein-induced enterocolitis syndrome), RDNs partnering with feeding therapists, an update on cystic fibrosis, and updates from DOH programs including Healthiest Next Generation, Healthy Starts and Transitions, WIC, and Healthy Eating Active Living.

2. Planning has begun for training scheduled November 8-9, 2018 for RDNs who work with CYSHCN and wish to join the Nutrition Network. Information about the training and applications will be available in mid to late July 2018.

WA Community Feeding Teams

1. Spring Meeting 2018– 97 individuals attended the spring WA State Community Feeding Teams meeting and continuing education workshop on Tuesday, May 1st 2018. Topics presented: standardizing the terminology for a dysphagia diet, constipation and encopresis, tongue and lip tie and management, using telemedicine to enhance quality of care, a case study, program updates from WA State CSHCN program and a review of the process used in developing a hospital to home early intervention program.

2. Training for Avoidant Restrictive Feeding and Intake Disorders in collaboration with the Seattle Children’s Hospital Pediatric Feeding Program (PFP). This tele-mentoring project was completed on June 8, 2018. The PFP is
conducting evaluations of the program with results to be shared next quarter. Twenty-two members from the four selected teams (Teams from Yakima, Wenatchee, Spokane and Pullman) have participated in this project.

3. CoINN - Sharon Feucht has increased her participation on the Collaborative for Improvement and Innovation Network (CoINN) to Advance Care for Children with Medical Complexity (CMC) project. Sharon attended the 2-day meeting in Chicago, attended a one day face to face meeting with the WA team and has participated on the coaching calls and national “webinar/calls”. She has helped with development of focus group questions and evaluated other project materials.

Work with partners to support transition from hospital to home – A form for hospitals to use for referral to early intervention is being reviewed, revised and discussed with stake holders.

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

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

- Welcome Inclusion Initiative (WIN)
  o The following organizations were brought on board: Camp Fire of the Central Puget Sound, Girl Scouts of Western WA, Boys and Girls Clubs of King County, Boys and Girls Clubs of Bellevue, 4 Culture (the King County office of Arts and Culture), YMCA of Greater Seattle, Chief Seattle Council of the Boy Scouts, Museum of Pop Culture, 5th Avenue Theatre, KidsQuest Children’s Museum, Seattle Children’s PlayGarden
  o Planning has begun on WIN 2.0 – What happens after the Special Olympics are over
  o Along with staff from WIN and Groopit, presented an overview of WIN and its various replicable parts at the in person WSLI meeting in June
- Statewide Fatherhood Summit – With continued participation as a steering committee member the Summit was held. 140 people attended, evenly split between male and female attendees. Primary responsibility was to participate in recruiting, selecting and preparing the 3 person dad panel. The Summit had a keynote speaker and they discussed systems issues around fatherhood –and strategies to address the issues (i.e. more supportive to fathers who’ve had some past legal issues) with key organizations in attendance.
- Zoo for All – Served as part of an advisory committee to the Woodland Park Zoo to help them pull off this event which will be held on July 5th as one of the community activities occurring in conjunction with the Special Olympics
- WSFN events – the following events were held: the 35th annual family campout in Anacortes, a gaming event for dads and kids (co-sponsored by the Microsoft Store in University Village), free photo event for dads and families, a reunion of long time Network members
- Serving as a steering committee member of L.I.F.E. (Lifetime Involvement/Inclusion For Everyone) held a community conversation and panel on Law Enforcement and People with Disabilities
- Infant and Early Childhood Conference
  o Served as a member of the steering committee
  o Along with members of the Network, WA Dads and Dads Move, presented a session on A Father’s Perspective on Receiving Services for Their Child with Special Health Care Needs.
- Partnership for Fathers and Families
  o Continue to serve on the steering committee
  o Networking event was held on May 10th with a presentation on substance abuse issues and treatment options
- Annual Conference – planning has begun for the conference which will be held in Bellevue on Saturday, November 3rd.

Washington State Parent-to-Parent (P2P)
Arc of Washington
Alliance State member of P2PUSA
Susan Atkins
www.arcwa.org

CSHCN folks,
Thanks for all of your support for Parent to Parent Programs over these years. Please stay in contact with me and your local Programs. We still want to assist families who have children with special health care needs.
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The Attachment #s 7, 8, and 9 for the latest P2P Program list which has the addition of 5 small counties this year and the Parent Support Ethnic Outreach coordinators in both English and Spanish. Only 5 more small counties to still come on board. Please send ideas for P2P leads in San Juan, NE Tri-Counties, or Wahkiukum for this next year.

Also we are currently looking for Coordinators for Chelan/Douglas and Okanogan. If you know any parents from there please let me know.

Family to Family Health Information Center (F2FHIC)
Jill McCormick
www.familyvoicesofwashington.com

This last quarter PAVE received confirmation that they retained the Family to Family Health Information grant for the next 2 years with the new grant cycle starting in June of 2018 and running through May of 2020. Projects that are continuing are:

- the Patient Centered Outcome Research Institute (PCORI) work on the Peninsula in collaboration with Clallam County Parent to Parent, Peninsula Region TCPI initiative, the PAVE FYSPRT (Family Youth System Round Table) contract, Olympic Kitsap Peninsula Early Learning Coalition, Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe and other partnering agencies on trauma informed care.
- Partnership with Clallam County Developmental Disability Administration, Clallam County Parent to Parent on working with Lower Elwha Klallam, Macaw, and Hoh tribal communities on building community awareness around autism and behavioral health challenges.
- Training of 30 parent and community leaders on serving on groups curriculum in partnership with Washington State Community Connectors and Family Voices National.
- Work with Western States Regional Genetics Network on developing an online family information and resource tool to provide quick and accurate information to family support navigators and peer mentors.
- Partnering on the national family leader group working on the COIIN initiative for medically complex children.
- Participating the Washington State COIIN initiative leadership team.
- PAVE’s new online help system and developing a new staffed helpline process.
- Setting up for Lifespan Respite to be under the PAVE umbrella.
- Washington Statewide Leadership Initiative participation.

Open Doors for Multicultural Families
Hodan Mohamed
www.multiculturalfamilies.org

Hodan Mohamed was unable to attend.

Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI)
Nicole Klein
Health Services Program Supervisor
www.k12.wa.us/HealthServices/default.aspx

No new updates at this time.

Neurodevelopmental Centers (NDCs) Update
Marianne Bastin, Mary Bridge Children’s Therapy Services, Puyallup/Tacoma

The Neurodevelopmental Centers have been focused on contracting with the MCO’s for billing changes that were effective July 1st. Many of the centers are still working on credentialing staff with each MCO in order to be able to bill.
is a laborious process and centers may have to delay billing. The NDC’s would appreciate having contacts at each MCO for case/care coordination issues that often arise with families so that we can work together to improve outcomes.

**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.

- Our CEO 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 is currently in progress, with a goal of hiring a new CEO by fall 2018.

- Our CHERISH program, an innovative and scalable model for supporting healthy relationships for children in foster and kinship care, has recently expanded. We now serve children between the ages of 3 and 5 who are involved in child welfare or out-of-home care. Referrals are being accepted for children who are in foster care, placed with a relative caregiver, or in an in-home dependency. For more information, please contact Jennifer Gears at (425) 289-7508 or jennifer.gears@kindering.org.

- We are thrilled to announce we have hired a new Director of the Sibling Support Project. Emily Holl, an accomplished expert, advocate, and author on supporting individuals with disabilities and their siblings, will be moving from the Twin Cities to join Kindering this summer. 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.

- We have launched a series of informational video vignettes that we’re calling “KED Talks,” which can be viewed on the Kindering YouTube channel ([https://www.youtube.com/user/KinderingCourage/videos](https://www.youtube.com/user/KinderingCourage/videos)). The first batch is up, more to come!

- We are currently hiring for several positions, including direct service providers, family resource coordinators, and a new Senior Grant Writer & Administrator. See all openings at: [https://kindering.org/get-involved/careers/](https://kindering.org/get-involved/careers/).

**UPCOMING:**

- **July 9: Kindering Speaker Series – Nourishing Emotional Well-being for New Moms:** Becoming a new mom is a journey of joy and excitement but there are other emotions too. Along the way, moms may experience intense feelings, stress responses, parenting concerns and conflict within the family. This class will help participants identify and nourish their emotional well-being. Presented by Rosanne Carter, Infant Mental Health Therapist at Kindering.
  - **When:** July 9, 2018, 6:30-8:30pm.
  - **Location:** Verdant Health Commission (4710 196th St SW, Lynnwood, WA 98036)
  - **RSVP:** colleen.willis@kindering.org
  - **Details:** [https://kindering.org/portfolio-items/speaker-series/](https://kindering.org/portfolio-items/speaker-series/).

- **September 26: Kindering Speaker Series – Developmental Milestones:** Join this interactive presentation to learn more about developmental milestones in the early years and how you can help your baby work toward achieving these milestones. Presented by Dr. Neeta Jain, Swedish Pediatrics.
  - **When:** September 26, 2018, 6:30-8:30pm.
  - **Location:** Kindering Bothell (19801 North Creek Parkway #200, Bothell, WA 98011)
  - **RSVP:** colleen.willis@kindering.org
  - **Details:** [https://kindering.org/portfolio-items/speaker-series/](https://kindering.org/portfolio-items/speaker-series/).

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).
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 servicing 396 children.

What’s new: We continue to work on our capital campaign to purchase a building so we have room to grow. We are very excited; the building will be on a main bus line which will help families readily access services.

On June 22nd we held our 18th annual golf tournament which is one of our many fund raisers, we had approximately 22 team participate and raised additional funds at the banquet following the tournament.

New staff: We recently hired a Family Resource Coordinator and a Family Trainer.

New services: We are currently working on an AS3D grant that involves piloting telehealth services with some of the families we work with, the services focus primarily on family training for children with autism.

Challenges:
- We are currently looking for an OT and an Early Head Start home visitor. It is very challenging to find OTs in our area.
- We have been extremely busy trying to get all the MCO contracts in place by July 1. Getting staff credentialed quickly is always a challenge and even more so now when we are trying to work with the MCOs.

What is going well: Staff are excited to be part of the SSIP as an implementation site.

Need help: Finding resources to fund our ABA services would be great!! Aside from insurance there are not a lot of other resources out there that I am aware of!

SPARC (Skagit Preschool and Resource Center)
Mary Jo Christensen has resigned from SPARC. For now, Amy Fox is acting as the Key Interim Director with Vanessa Haggerty as the supporting Interim Director.

Spokane Guild School
The biggest thing we are working on right now is our $18.5 million dollar capital campaign. We bought a beautiful piece of property last year on the Spokane River on the Centennial Trail in the University District. Within one mile we have two medical schools, 4 universities and the community college. NAC Architecture is doing the design, Bouten Construction is doing the construction management, Campbell and Company is doing the capital campaign support and DH is doing the rebranding and name change. It is exciting times for the Guilds’ School.


UW Medicine – Valley Medical Center Children’s Therapy
- Hired new OT – starting August
- Hired new SLP – starting summer
- Animal Assisted Therapy in full swing with a lovely Dalmatian named Clover
- PEPS parent groups beginning on site September 2018 – an innovative new PEPS program – registration is free [www.valleymed.org](http://www.valleymed.org)
- Free Art Therapy classes – drop in – Thursdays 12-1. Information can be found at [www.valleymed.org](http://www.valleymed.org) under classes
- Integrative Listening Services (iLS) provided.
- Most OT and SLP staff are now SCERTS trained.

For new patients please call 425-656-4215 to schedule evaluations.
ESIT Staff Updates: We are pleased to announce that Lori Holbrook has started as an ESIT Program Consultant. Lori comes to us with a background in early intervention and early childhood education. Lori has her Masters in Counseling Psychology and has worked as a Family Resources Coordinator for eight years. She will be supporting Thurston, Grays Harbor, South Mason, Pierce, Lewis, Cowlitz, Wahkiakum, Pacific, Clark, Skamania and Klickitat counties.

Debi Donelan has left her position as the Assistant Administrator for ESIT effective Friday, June 15. Debi has been a tremendous asset for the Early Support for Infants and Toddlers Program over the past four years. She has supported the state system in too many ways to mention, but we have all especially benefited from her commitment to high quality training. Debi has provided leadership for Washington’s Statewide Systemic Improvement Plan (SSIP), supported extensive stakeholder work including early intervention competencies and the development and facilitation of numerous statewide trainings.

Here at the state office we will especially miss her kind heart, attention to detail, commitment to equity, thoughtfulness and her fantastic sense of humor. We will also look forward to continued work with Debi in her new position with King County.

Medical Home: Early Intervention and Eligibility staff are working on improving engagement with primary care providers and families.

ESIT Staff Recruitment: We are currently recruiting for a Program Consultant to support San Juan, Island, Whatcom, Skagit, Snohomish, Kitsap, North Mason, Clallam and Jefferson counties. This position will be located in that Northwest region. UPDATE this position announcement closed in July.

State Systemic Improvement Plan (SSIP): We are getting started with Cohort 3, our third group of implementation sites, for SSIP activities. These include Promoting First Relationships training, WA-IMH endorsement, ESIT specific training on social emotional assessment, engaging families in the child outcomes summary process, and writing functional outcomes. They will also be working to strengthen local partnerships to support the social emotional development of children enrolled in ESIT.

Legislative highlights: On June 4th, Department of Children, You and Families (DCYF) and Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) staff met to discuss next steps and a process for responding to ESSB 6257. A technical finance meeting will be held later that will include staff from DCYF and OSPI and a larger meeting that will include representatives from relevant SICC Committees will be scheduled for the first part of July. We will continue to post the status of Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill 6257 in the ESIT Weekly to keep everyone informed.

Department of Children, Youth and Families: As of July 1 Department of Early Learning has been restructured. ESIT is now a part of a brand new agency; the Department of Children Youth and Families. DCYF is a cabinet-level agency focused on the well-being of children. Our vision is to ensure that "Washington State's children and youth grow up safe and healthy—thriving physically, emotionally and academically, nurtured by family and community."

DCYF is the lead agency for state-funded services that support children and families to build resilience and health, and to improve educational outcomes. We accomplish this by partnering with state and local agencies, tribes and other organizations in communities across the state of Washington. Our focus is to support children and families at their most vulnerable points, giving them the tools they need to succeed.

Our new website is www.dcyf.wa.gov but the old site is still up. Anything new, however, will be on the DCYF site.

Parent Institute of Engagement (PIE): PIE is a 12-month training program for parents/caregivers with children who have received early intervention services through the Early Support for Infants and Toddlers program (ESIT) and primarily for those who are not working in the early intervention field. One spot is designated for a parent/caregiver who has worked in the early intervention field for less than 18 months. Our goal is to have a racially and geographically diverse group of participants.

State Interagency Coordinating Council (SICC): The next SICC meeting is July 18 from 9:00-3:00 at the Red Lion Seattle Airport (SeaTac) 18220 International Blvd, Seattle, WA 98188. Contact Jahla Brown at (360) 725-4413 or email Jahla.Brown@del.wa.gov for more information or to R.S.V.P.
DSHS, Developmental Disabilities Administration (DDA), Waiver Unit
Kari Thompson

The DDA Waiver Unit recently finished a series of stakeholder meetings that were offered across the state (Lacey/Olympia, Spokane, and Lynnwood), and internally to DDA staff via webinar, to gather feedback regarding proposed changes to the waiver service “Positive Behavior Support” and the addition of new services to the CIIBS Waiver. There are plans to host an additional webinar for provider-specific input (likely to be held on July 16, 2018 during the evening hours). Communication regarding these, and other important meetings, will continue to be distributed via GovDelivery. For those who were unable to attend the meetings, draft waiver amendments will be posted for public comment and suggestions/comments can be sent to DDAwaiveramendments@dshs.wa.gov.

The State is also moving forward with the implementation of the Consumer Directed Employer initiative. The change is expected to take place no earlier than July 1, 2020. Changing to the Consumer Directed Employer model will allow case managers to spend more time coordinating services rather than managing the requirements of an individual provider. More information on the Consumer Directed Employer initiative can be found here.

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

No new updates at this time.

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

Introducing two new staff to the Unit – Autumn Wade, RN, Office Chief and Dawn Okrasinski, Outcome Improvement Specialist.

Now doing Medically Fragile Group Home oversight as well as being available to consult with Division of Licensing Resources for any medical questions they may have or need assistance with such as death reviews.

DSHS / ALTSA, Kinship Care and Lifespan Respite
Hilarie Hauptman and Karen Fitzharris
www.dshs.wa.gov/kinshipcare

- A Spanish translation of a helpful statewide kinship care legal guide produced by Legal Voice (www.legalvoice.org) is now available. Here are the links to both the English and Spanish online versions of:
  - Options for Grandparents and Other Nonparental Caregivers (http://www.legalvoice.org/options-grandparents)
  - Opciones para los abuelos y otros cuidadores que no son los progenitores- Spanish

- Reminder: all kinship care families are entitled to a free two-year pass at the Seattle Aquarium or a one-year pass at the Pacific Science Center (Seattle). To read more, go to DSHS Kinship Care Website - Benefits (https://www.dshs.wa.gov/altsa/hcs/kinship-care/benefits).

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

Lifespan Respite Washington is nearing the end of its first of three years of a federal grant to the State of Washington’s Aging & Long Term Care Administration. Its respite program continues to meet short-break needs for unpaid, unserved family caregivers with $1,000 vouchers used with respite service provider organizations such as in-home care, camps, parks & recreation, adult day programs, and overnight programs. Individuals served (those receiving care) must have a disability or special need.

A big change is on the horizon for Lifespan Respite Washington as it moves in September to a new host agency, Washington PAVE, www.wapave.org, in Tacoma. Vouchers will remain available statewide for individuals of all ages.
will be important during this transition for families to know they can apply for the voucher and contact program staff through the website, www.lifespanrespitewa.org.

WithinReach
José Villalobos
www.withinreachwa.org

Summer Meals for kids are up-and-running throughout Washington State. Anyone can text the word “Meals” to 96859 to receive site information about sites near them or simply call the Family Health Hotline at 1-800-322-2588 to speak with a specialist and obtain more information. Kids and teens ages 18 and under can eat free at sites throughout Washington by just dropping in. Most sites offer breakfast, lunch and morning or afternoon snacks.

In partnership with the Department of Social and Health Services, WithinReach has been helping to connect Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) eligible families to Home Visiting and Parent Support Programs in King County. We are excited to announce that this work will be expanding throughout all of DSHS’s Region 2 which include Snohomish, Skagit, Whatcom, Island and San Juan Counties. This referral process helps families with high needs connect to crucial home visiting programs and other support services.

Liv Woodstrom was unable to attend.

DOH Screening and Genetics Unit
Deb Lochner Doyle and Nini Shridhar
www.doh.wa.gov/YouandYourFamily/InfantsChildrenandTeens/HealthandSafety/GeneticServices.aspx

The Screening and Genetics Unit published its first hospital summary report on Critical Congenital Heart Disease (CCHD). The report was published pursuant to a legislative mandate that required all newborns to be screened for CCHD. About 10% of all cases (22 infants) were identified through CCHD newborn screening over a 2 year period from July 2015 to June 2017 (see Attachment #10).

This spring, the Early Hearing Detection, Diagnosis, and Intervention (EHDDI) program provided hearing screening equipment and training to nine more midwives in Washington State. We now have 34 midwives who screen infants and the percentage of infants receiving newborn hearing screenings has increased significantly over the past 10 years. Below is a list of midwives who currently offer newborn hearing screenings:

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Better Health Together ACH
Melissa Charbonneau, Spokane County
[The Region includes the following counties: Adams, Lincoln, NE Tri-County (Ferry, Pend Oreille, and Stevens), and Spokane]

See Attachment #11 for Better Health Together updates.

Cascade Pacific Action Alliance ACH
Apple Martine, Thurston County
[The Region includes the following counties: Cowlitz, Grays Harbor, Lewis, Mason, Pacific, Thurston, and Wahkiakum]

See Pierce County ACH and Attachment #18.

Greater Columbia ACH
Shelley Little, Benton-Franklin County
[The Region includes the following counties: Asotin, Benton-Franklin, Columbia, Garfield, Kittitas, Walla Walla, Whitman, and Yakima]

The Greater Columbia Region met June 18, 2018 via GoTo. See Attachment #12 for the region meeting minutes.

King County ACH
Kate Besch, Seattle-King County
[The Region includes the following county: Seattle-King]

See Attachment #13 for King County updates.

North Central ACH
Carol McCormick, Chelan-Douglas County
[The Region includes the following counties: Chelan-Douglas, Grant, and Okanogan]

See Attachment #14 for North Central updates.

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

See Attachment #15 for North Sound updates.
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. The NW CSHCN/ACH Region met June 19, 2018. See Attachment #16 for region minutes. Karina also submitted Olympic Community of Health region updates (see Attachment #17).

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 May 24, 2018. See Attachment #18 for region minutes. The next Southwest Washington CSHCN Region meeting is August 23rd.

See Pierce County ACH and Attachment #18.

**Attachments**

1. RHINO Community of Practice FAQ Sheet
2. Health Care Authority Health Home Program Presentation
3. Universal Developmental Screening and Help Me Grow Learning Module
4. National Academy for State Health Policy Publication -- “How States Structure Medicaid Managed Care to Meet the Unique Needs of Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs”
5. Care Coordination Across Systems Small Group Discussion Notes
6. "How can Title V/MCHBG programs and families of CSHCN support care coordination" Regional Breakout Discussion Notes
7. Parent to Parent Support Programs Sites and Coordinator, July 2018
8. Parent Support Ethnic Outreach, July 2018 (English)
9. Parent Support Ethnic Outreach, July 2018 (Spanish)
10. Newborn Screening for Critical Congenital Heart Disease in WA State, Hospital Summary Report July 2015-June 2017
11. Better Health Together ACH/CSHCN Region Updates
12. Greater Columbia ACH/CSHCN Region Updates
13. King County ACH/CSHCN Region Updates
14. North Central ACH/CSHCN Region Updates
15. North Sound ACH/CSHCN Region Updates
16. King County, Olympic Community of Health, North Sound ACH/CSHCN Region Minutes
17. Olympic Community of Health ACH/CSHCN Updates
18. Cascade Pacific Action Alliance, Pierce County, Southwest Washington ACH/CSHCN Region Minutes

**Next CSHCN Communication Network Meeting**

Thursday, October 11, 2018
Creekside Two at Centerpoint
20425 72nd Avenue South
Kent, Washington
Conference Room 309