



Oregon Alliance to Prevent Suicide

Executive Committee Meeting

Monday, December 2, 2024

2:30 PM – 4:00 PM

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Committee Members: Vice-Chair Don Erickson, Aaron Townsend, Angela Perry, Craig Leets, Gordon Clay, Jill Baker, John Seeley, Karen Cellarius, Kelie McWilliams, Kirk Wolfe, Laura Rose Misaras, Liz Schwarz, Pam Pearce, Sandy Bumpus, Siche Green-Mitchell, Mary Massey, Maryanne Mueller

Committee Members not in Attendance: Charlette Lumby, Kelie McWilliams, Kirk Wolfe, Sandy Bumpus

Staff in Attendance: Annette Marcus

Guests/Affiliates: Robert Lee, Michelle Bangen, Taylor Chamber, Roger Brubaker, Meghan Crane, Linda Hockman

Minutes



Welcome, Announcements, Approve Minutes

Annette welcomed attendees. Charlette is unable to attend today and Don will be late due to another commitment. Annette facilitated the meeting.

Announcements: OHA data dashboard has been updated, data through October 2024.

No vote on minutes due to no quorum.

Annette asked Jill to open the presentation and introduce Robert.

2:40 - 3:00 **Government Relations Office**
Robert Lee, OHA Government Relations

Robert's presentation focused on:

- OHA's legislative process including timelines and layers of decision making.
- Where Alliance related recommendations could go within OHA and
- Suggested ways to increase visibility or utility of Alliance recommendations.

Highlights from the presentation include:

- A review of the 2025 legislative calendar - the predicted dates of what happens by when (see attached slides for full list of dates).
- Legislative Concepts (LC): OHA can propose legislative concepts that are aligned with the Governor's priorities. Units within OHA (such as Child and Family Behavioral Health) can put forward ideas for legislative concepts. Another option is to work with a program staff like Jill to send it through the OHA process.
- Policy Option Packages (POP) - Flow: OHA units can propose POP, unit directors decide which to prioritize to Behavioral Health executive leadership team; it then moves to the OHA executive leadership

and the director decides which POP to put forward for the governor to consider in an agency requested budget. The Governor's proposed budget is based on requests from state agencies and is adjusted throughout the legislative session. A final legislatively adopted budget is completed at the end of the session in June. The agency requested budget is a good resource, a good way to find out the details of POPs.

- Options for sharing recommendations: an annual report from the Alliance to OHA/Jill; publish recommendations on website and state in minutes, share with partners and on the listserv; letters with recommendations for issues that come up throughout the year; and, request follow-up from OHA program or leadership. It is important to distribute the recommendations widely.
- Timelines for POPs and LCs: generally, OHA does not put forth during the short legislative sessions; it is a long process, for example Government Relations started tracking new ideas in Dec. 2023 for the long session (Feb. - June 2025). It is an estimated 18-month process, by November/December things are generally set. An annual report with Alliance recommendations to OHA is most useful if issued by Oct. for consideration.

3:00 - 3:15 **Follow-up on Action Steps**
Annette

1. [Annette will coordinate with Shane, Jill, and Laura Rose on proposed language for update for by-laws and send to executive subcommittee by the Feb. 2025 meeting for approval to bring to membership for a vote at the March 2025 quarterly.](#)
Annette met with Shane last week, he will talk with Tribes this week about engagement with Alliance; he will also check for interest to serve on executive subcommittee. Laura Rose and Jill will meet with Annette regarding language for excused absences (such as medical or family emergency) before the Jan. 2025 executive meeting.
2. [Annette will send out a survey to members and affiliates for feedback on YSIPP updates.](#)
Survey has been postponed and will be sent out during preparation for writing the next 5 year plan.



3. Jill will check to see if written policies will meet requirements until the additional two trainings are available. Adjustments have been made to Workday and all three trainings are now available to members.
4. Annette and John will provide update on proposal to merge Community Safety on Firearms Task Force and OHSU group.

John reported they were able to reach agreement on dividing up the task, U of O will be responsible for 4 of the 10 priorities listed in the bill; while OHSU will be conducting evaluation specifically related to firearm useage/storage and ERPO. UO's work will leverage the work of the alliance. Annette asked John to update the Alliance on an ongoing basis.

5. Annette will send Jill priority youth-serving CBOs list identified by Alliance. In progress.
6. Jill will confirm possible due date for Alliance annual report.

October 1, 2025; if Alliance decides this is the format going forward. Jill suggested the executive subcommittee put together a timeline and tasks to meet the October 1st due date.

7. Annette and Angela (AFSP) will meet re: policy priorities.
Meeting to be scheduled. Annette reminded that unless new priorities come up at the December quarterly meeting, will continue with the current policy priorities: a) fully fund YSIPP and lifespan efforts; b) equip healthcare providers with suicide assessment, safety planning, treatment, and management training; c) support policy and legislation to promote safe storage of firearms; d) promote affirming environments at schools; and e) support 988 and MRSS implementation.
8. Annette will provide a revised list of Alliance initiatives (including subcommittee recommendations) at the December meeting.
Completed.
9. Charlette, Don, and Annette will follow-up on team building retreat.



10. New: Don and AM will preview the video of Meghan’s presentation on firearm safety to be sure it is relevant to youth suicide prevention/Alliance members.

315 - 3:40

Subcommittee Recommendations: YSIPP Initiatives

Annette and Chairs of Subcommittees (Note we had a quorum by this time in the meeting)

Annette reviewed the initiative and minor edits were suggested (**edits in bold**). Annette called for a motion to send the revised initiatives to OHA. John Seeley motioned to send the initiatives to OHA; Gordon Clay seconded. Motion passed: 11 yeas; 0 nays; 0 oppose; 1 abstain.

Alliance Updated YSIPP Initiatives 2025

Executive:

4.3.2 *The Alliance will develop a suicide prevention policy agenda for the 2025 long session. **Adjust: The Alliance will make recommendations to the Oregon Health Authority regarding suicide prevention policy priorities for each legislative session. Add date: “by October 1st.”***

Equity:

1.1.1.11 The Oregon Alliance to Prevent Suicide (Alliance) will identify and engage with key partners for equity work. **Adjust-The Oregon Alliance to Prevent Suicide will continue to identify and engage with key partners for equity work to address disparities in youth suicide based on community and identity.**

1.1.5.4 The Alliance will pilot an equity screening tool for suicide prevention with one local coalition or Alliance committee in 2024 and integrate any revisions or recommendations from that pilot. **Adjust – The Alliance will revise the Suicide Prevention Equity Screening tool and/or process to incorporate guidance regarding cultural infusion.**

(Substeps to 1.1.5.4 – a. Alliance Equity Subcommittee will develop a workplan with next steps and time line b. Equity Subcommittee will regularly reserve agenda time for the BIPOC, WALC and LGBTQ+



1.1.5.5 The Alliance, with funding from OHA, will continue to support a BIPOC (Black, Indigenous and People of Color) caucus. **Adjust – AOCMHP, with funding from OHA, will**

1.1.5.6 The Alliance will continue to support a monthly group to support white allyship and anti-racist education. **Adjust – AOCMHP will support a monthly.....**

Workforce:

2.1.1.5 *The Alliance will monitor implementation of HB 2315 (2021) by reviewing OHA's annual report. The Alliance will submit recommendations regarding implementation of this legislation, including recommendations around expanded evaluation efforts.* **Continue**

3.3.1.9 *The Alliance will begin development of a legislative concept for the 2025 legislative session to require a wide array of physical health providers to take suicide risk screening, assessment, treatment and management training. The Alliance will engage physical health providers (including licensing boards and professional organizations) and subject matter experts in 2024.* **Stop**

Start – Initiative: **The Alliance will develop a policy paper outlining pathways to equip physical health providers with training in suicide risk screening, assessment, treatment, and management. The paper will be used to educate legislators, community groups, and other stakeholders and will serve as the basis for recommendations to OHA.**

Lethal Means Safety:

2.2.1.1 The Alliance will continue to work towards recommendations in the Lethal Means workplan.

Continue

Start: **The Alliance will develop recommendations for safe storage programs for firearms, medications, and mind-altering substances using summarized and citation-specific evidence to be shared with state and county-level elected officials; developing suggested messaging and educational programming for explaining to **children youth** what the dangers are and develop safety planning**



4.3.1 *The Alliance will collaborate with the Rural Engagement Project and other partners on safe storage legislation for the 2024 short session. **STOP***

Start: The Alliance will identify needs and resources in culturally specific communities, service members and veterans, young people of color and rural white women, around safe storage, suicide prevention and access to lethal means.

Schools:

2.3.3.4 The Alliance will continue to assess implementation of Adi’s Act, with a focus on addressing how schools are supporting suicide prevention and social emotional wellness for youth of color, LGBTQ2SIA+ youth and youth with disabilities.

Adjust: The Alliance will identify implementation progress and challenges for Adi’s Act with a specific focus on populations named in the Student Success Act plans and students with disabilities. **Add:** students in disciplinary actions.

3:40 - 3:50 **Finalize Agenda for December Quarterly**
Annette and Don

Agenda Items:

- YSIPP 2025 Initiatives (Jill and Annette)
- Guest Speaker: Dr. Hathi - [not available](#)
- Community Safety on Firearms Task Force Presentation - [Postpone](#), too soon they are still coming together;
- Annette suggested Meghan’s presentation to the task force “Suicide Prevention Efforts on Community Safety and Firearm Suicide Prevention”; Meghan shared that the focus is on lifespan which includes youth; Don and Annette will preview the presentation video to be sure it is relevant to youth suicide prevention/Alliance members.
- Update on Mobile Response and Stabilization Process (Beth and Brian)- confirmed.
- Update on Alliance - Annette



Gordon suggested the Agri-stress program put together by OHA. He shared this topic may be of interest. Due to time constraints, this topic will be considered for a future quarterly meeting.

3:50 - 3:55 **Agenda Items – January Executive Meeting**
Annette

- Discussion on cultural infusion for YSIPP and Alliance role - Jill
- Schools Subcommittee - Alliance statement of solidarity re: LGBTQ+

4:00 **Adjourn**