



SHS Advisory Committee Meeting

September 12, 2024 | 3:00-4:30 pm

Attendance: Theo Hathaway Saner, Crystal Magaña, Ty Schwoeffermann, Dwight Minnieweather, Jamar Summerfield, Daniel Carrillo, Melissa Bishop, Sandra Comstock, Jessica Harper, Ria Tsinas, Cheryl Carter, Lauren Link, Ed Johnson, Patrick Alexander

STAFF: Breana Flores, Cristal Otero, Emily Nelson, Bill Boyd, Angelo Arredondo Baca, Cristina Castaño

Agenda Item	Discussion Points	Decision/ Action
Welcome Land and Labor Introductions	Many new members here today - YAY!! Announcements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Co-chair positions are open. Nomination process will be announced over the next few months. Duties found within committee charter. ● In-person retreat considered in future months; will take request to cover child care in consideration. ● Reviewed Community agreements - found in meeting packets. 	Co-chair questions to Anna Johnson
Equity Workgroup Recommendations Preview	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Goal - ensuring equity in SHS programming ● Recommendations developed in Equity workgroup which met 9/23-5/24 ● Once approved, SHS team will share equity recommendations with JOHS leadership and JOHS Equity Team ● Reviewed Inclusively Leading with Race and emphasis on centering lived experience from BIPOC communities 	Question: I'm all in for rec and the cash flow one I'm a little confused on how that works would it be given to participants or to their care provider/taker? Jamar/Crystal to contribute language

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Leading with race allows intersectional approach with communities impacted by structural oppressions; no ranking of oppressions but strategies that impact all communities ● Other equity work within JOHS advisory bodies including Equity Advisory Committee and Lived Experience Advisory Committee ● Equity recommendations found in packet have three sections: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Intersectional equity ○ Evaluation and accountability ○ Equity investments ● Committee to review the recommendations from meeting packet <p>Discussion is section specific</p> <p>Section I: Intersectionality & Equity in SHS Work</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● It makes sense to me to consider an individual's multiple identities regarding services. ● Feels thoughtful/intentional. ● I agree that it is harder for those experiencing one or more of these. ● What about explicitly naming people impacted by drugs (drug users, recovery, war on drugs) given that is disproportionately experienced by people of color (+1). ● People coming out of jail are not considered homeless; SHS funds may need to fund projects that work with people leaving incarceration. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ New County Homelessness Response Action Plan/ Homeless Response System acknowledges the need for service alignment. People exiting incarceration will be prioritized in this work. Goal of reducing release to homelessness from incarceration by 2026. ○ Example given by member about their post-incarceration 	<p>about appropriate supports related to people exiting incarceration</p>
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	<p>experience and the challenge in getting trauma informed services and appropriate housing upon release.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Consider adding details related to services for people leaving incarceration and people surviving DV/IPV (maybe use language from member with actual experience?.) ● Prioritizing transitional and long term housing that is safe and supportive for those exiting incarceration and do not exhibit carceral-like conditions that retraumatize. <p>Section 2: Evaluation & Accountability</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Clarification: Is this section specifically about organization performance who have been funded? Or is this also about the evaluation of organizations seeking funding? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ For folks currently getting funded. We don't currently have clarity about how the services are being provided in an equitable way. Call for more accountability in outcomes, including recommendations from people with lived experience. ● Pause discussion for next meeting. 	
<p>SHS Advisory Committee Priorities for FY25</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Building off previous conversation about SHS priorities from surveys and committee retreat ● Goal: opportunity for committee to determine where focus of work is set and make the biggest impact ● Emerging themes: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Accessibility (tied at 2nd) 2. Behavioral Health 3. Collaboration (polled the highest) 4. Data 5. Evaluation 6. Equity 7. Programming (tied at 2nd) 	<p>JOHS SHS staff to review notes to help reframe discussion and move towards clarity for decision making</p>

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	<p>Discussion: What 2 things from emerging themes would the committee like to focus on? What high level priorities are missing from the list?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Member advocates for evaluation to improve accountability. Who is watching the work to see how the work is happening. ● Accessibility/Equity (+1) ● Accessibility/Programming ● Programming and Accessibility...though hard to prioritize. ● Collaboration doesn't explicitly say collaboration with people with lived experience. ● Accessibility and collaboration ● Programming/evaluation... have to be able to show our work, and better work happens when people pay attention. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ And, add accessibility ● Is there a pie chart that exists that would show the current % of SHS funds allocated to each of these areas? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Not really; these are not really tags for our funding, but these are areas that are important ● Can equity and evaluation be folded in together, like person-centered evaluation? ● For accessibility- focus on people who have difficulty accessing services. Some groups are excluded from services b/c there aren't services structured to serve them. ● My other thought is that there should be rights and advocacy training included for consumers of services/ so perhaps that would be under evaluation/accessibility? I know this is kind of granular, but I know people feel hopeless and powerless against these systems and aren't aware of their rights. Things are only likely to get worse for folx with the recall of measure 110 and the lack of meaningful services or interventions. ● Regarding evaluation: Is there funding for evaluation? And how much? How can the 	
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	<p>committee lift up 'consumer' or service user-level evaluation for their experiences in services? Results hopefully can improve programs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Consumer experience is a great word as it reframes those seeking support. ○ Incentives are a great motivator! Pay people for their expertise and contribution. ● For JOHS, evaluation begins with contractual evaluation, then do we see outcomes in HMIS data? May need a different definition for evaluation to reflect recommendations from the committee. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ But those systems don't take in qualitative data which is really hard to evaluate. (+1) ● Evaluation needs a clear rubric that can help review consumer experience. 	
Next Steps	Continue to dig in more next month!	

Zoom Chat:

14:59:05 From Daniel Carrillo to Hosts and panelists:

Hello good afternoon

15:01:09 From Daniel Carrillo to Hosts and panelists:

Thank you, it has been a good weekend, we just had our annual powwow and i'm still recovering

15:06:50 From JOHS Community Advisory to Hosts and panelists:

Introductions: Name, pronouns (if you are comfortable sharing), Organization or community that you represent

15:07:01 From Jamar Summerfield to Hosts and panelists:

Hello i am Jamar Summerfield i represent the Black community , Elderly and formally incarcerated community members

15:08:08 From Ed Johnson to Hosts and panelists:

Ed Johnson

He, his, him

Volunteer community member

15:09:26 From Ty Schwoeffermann to Hosts and panelists:

Hi all, my name is Ty Schwoeffermann, im a community member with St Anthony's catholic church, use he him pronouns

15:10:25 From Cheryl's iPad to Hosts and panelists:

I'm having trouble with camera and mic she/her rep community leader with SHS & SHA MZ

Cheryl

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15:10:48 From Patrick Alexander to Hosts and panelists:
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15:15:28 From Ty S to Hosts and panelists:
Sharing event info ~ Northwest Pilot [educational event]
Our Invisible Neighbors: Understanding & Addressing Elder Homelessness - Registration:
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/our-invisible-neighbors-understanding-addressing-elder-homelessness-tickets-1007805773197>

15:15:46 From Ria Tsinas to Hosts and panelists:
If there are any plans for another retreat could we try to include access to childcare so people with kids can go?

15:16:21 From Ria Tsinas to Hosts and panelists:
Thanks!

15:21:03 From JOHS Community Advisory to Hosts and panelists:
anyone that attended the workgroup - care to share anything about the group?

15:21:48 From Ria Tsinas to Hosts and panelists:
I can't take much credit as my participation was limited!

15:30:31 From Ed Johnson to Hosts and panelists:
Not seeing in chat?

15:31:10 From Lauren Link to Hosts and panelists:
i was able to see it, but i had to save it to my computer and then was able to open it

15:31:38 From Ed Johnson to Hosts and panelists:
You want us to pick two topics? I think I got the email

15:34:15 From Ed Johnson to Hosts and panelists:
Thank you

15:34:47 From JOHS Community Advisory to Hosts and panelists:
Breanna shared a PDF - if you click on it then it will download onto your computer/phone. You will probably need to go into your download file to open it up. So, this is a little different than a link to something online - we only post our recommendations online once they have been approved/voted on by the committee

15:35:25 From Breanna Flores (she/they) MultCo to Hosts and panelists:
Request: Review the equity workgroup memo draft (sent via email and linked in chat). Review to familiarize yourself with the drafted recommendations, identify areas that you really align with, flag areas that may be confusing, and note any areas that you would like to be altered/address before voting to move the recommendations forward.

15:39:25 From Cheryl's iPad to Hosts and panelists:
I'm all in for rec and the cash flow one I'm a little confused on how that works would it be given to participants or to their care provider/taker

15:42:53 From Cheryl's iPad to Hosts and panelists:
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15:42:59 From Lauren Link to Hosts and panelists:
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15:43:21 From Ria Tsinas to Hosts and panelists:
I have something to say

15:43:24 From Cheryl's iPad to Hosts and panelists:
Ops moving to soon

15:43:25 From Crystal Magaña to Hosts and panelists:

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I agree that it is harder for those experiencing one or more of these.

15:44:55 From Melissa Bishop MHA AO to Hosts and panelists:
Great point Ria, thank you for calling that out

15:47:49 From Cheryl's iPad to Hosts and panelists:
I heard VOA took lead on release incarnation to assist with that

15:47:51 From Breanna Flores (she/they) MultCo to Hosts and panelists:
Last meeting we had a brief overview of the Homeless Response Action Plan (HRAP) from JOHS Deputy Director, Anna Plumb

15:48:19 From Sandra Comstock to Hosts and panelists:
Thank you for that clarification!

15:48:36 From Cheryl's iPad to Hosts and panelists:
Thx Emily

15:48:58 From Sandra Comstock to Hosts and panelists:
It might be worth explicitly mentioning people exiting incarceration

15:49:44 From Sandra Comstock to Hosts and panelists:
Thank you crystal

15:52:23 From Cheryl's iPad to Hosts and panelists:
Absolutely and thank you for sharing

15:52:28 From Sandra Comstock to Hosts and panelists:
Prioritizing transitional and long term housing that is safe and supportive for those exiting incarceration and do not exhibit carceral like conditions that retraumatize

15:52:55 From Daniel Carrillo to Hosts and panelists:
Thank you for being here Crystal and sharing your experience!

15:53:51 From Ria Tsinas to Hosts and panelists:
<https://eminism.org/readings/pdf-rdg/wheel-sheet.pdf>

15:54:15 From Crystal Magaña to Hosts and panelists:
yes, thank you.

15:54:26 From Sandra Comstock to Hosts and panelists:
Yes - adding people experiencing sexual violence

15:55:02 From Ria Tsinas to Hosts and panelists:
Just provided a link to a really important perspective on dv services by people with lived experience

15:56:18 From Crystal Magaña to Hosts and panelists:
absolutely, I have no problem with helping.

15:58:44 From Ty S to Hosts and panelists:
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15:59:53 From Ty S to Hosts and panelists:
Thank you.

16:00:42 From Emily Nelson (she/her) JOHS to Hosts and panelists:
Thank you all for letting me join you today, I am grateful for the opportunity and I hope I'll get to join you next month as you continue the conversation. Thank you especially to those of you who worked on these recommendations, I'm excited to partner with y'all to make sure the work of the JOHS is consistent with our equity values and goals. I will step out as you continue your committee business.

16:07:44 From Breanna Flores (she/they) MultCo to Hosts and panelists:

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What two things from the emerging themes list would you most like to see the committee focus on this year?

Are there any high-level priorities missing from the current list?

16:09:04 From Breanna Flores (she/they) MultCo to Hosts and panelists:

- Accessibility: Improve access to homelessness and housing services in Multnomah County.
- Behavioral Health: Increase the amount of quality, evidence-based services available for those with behavioral health needs.
- Collaboration: Increase service system coordination within Multnomah County and with external partners.
- Data: Make data more accessible to providers and create better tools for data sharing.
- Evaluation: Improve how we ensure accountability and measure success.
- Equity: Ensure equity in SHS programming
- Programming: Expand day center and street outreach programming.

16:10:25 From Cheryl's iPad to Hosts and panelists:

Accessibility/Equity

16:11:02 From Crystal Magaña to Hosts and panelists:

Mine would be accessibility/Programming.

16:11:15 From Ty S to Hosts and panelists:

Programming and Accessibility... This is difficult because want to vote for all of these.

16:11:21 From Ria Tsinas to Hosts and panelists:

This is me raising my hand.

16:12:47 From Lauren Link to Hosts and panelists:

my top two: accessibility and collaboration

16:13:54 From Ty S to Hosts and panelists:

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16:16:37 From Ria Tsinas to Hosts and panelists:

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16:18:31 From Ria Tsinas to Hosts and panelists:

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For folx..

16:20:04 From Sandra Comstock to Hosts and panelists:

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16:20:15 From Ria Tsinas to Hosts and panelists:

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16:22:25 From Ria Tsinas to Hosts and panelists:

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16:22:37 From Sandra Comstock to Hosts and panelists:

Agree ria

16:25:45 From Cheryl's iPad to Hosts and panelists:

You're welcome

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16:25:59 From Crystal Magaña to Hosts and panelists:

Thankyou for a great mtg.

16:27:19 From Cheryl's iPad to Hosts and panelists:

Gr8 mtg

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