

## Oregon Action Coalition Steering Committee Meeting Minutes

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**Present:** Leslie Ray, Tom Engle, Janna Mae Boren, Elaine Keavney, Susan Bakewell Sachs, Gladys Campbell, Jana Bitton

**Virtual Attendees:** Renee Menkens, Carol Thorne

Agenda Item	Discussion	Decision/Action Items
Approval of Minutes		
OSNA	<p>Janna Boren announced that OSNA will be an affiliate/partner organization with the Oregon Action Coalition. This means OAC can table OSNA events at no cost. OSNA would like to review this agreement every November 1.</p>	<p>Janna will send more information about the agreement.</p>
2015 Legislature Discussion	<p>Past legislative sessions have dealt with healthcare transformation. This upcoming session, healthcare will not necessarily be the priority. They are focusing on commercial insurance, education reform, new revenue sources, recreational marijuana, etc.</p> <p>From the hospital perspective, here are the following items to watch for in the next legislative session:</p> <p><b>Funding the Medicaid Program:</b> Since 2003, hospitals in Oregon have paid a voluntary tax to offset Medicaid costs, which makes up about 23 percent of the state budget. It started out small, around .8 percent of net patient revenue. The tax is now 5.43 percent of net patient revenue. The tax now pays for underlying Medicaid program. It used to just pay for hospital expenses. The federal government reimburses the state at about \$1.60 per for each \$1, which the state gives “dollar-for-dollar” back to the hospitals if they have qualified services.</p> <p><b>Mental Health:</b> There is still a disconnect with mental health services. It seems like focus has been on community-based care, but there needs to be more focus on the acute care side. For example, there is a Psychiatry Emergency Service Code, which has never been funded.</p>	<p>Contact: Andi Easton, Oregon Association of Hospitals and Health Systems</p> <p><a href="mailto:aeaston@oahhs.org">aeaston@oahhs.org</a> or at 503-479-6007</p>

**Workplace Safety:** There is a workgroup formed to include ONA, SEIU and hospitals to address patient lifting and violence against a healthcare worker.

**ONA Staffing Laws:** OAHHS is reviewing ONA's staffing proposal for validity. OAHHS doesn't want a correction to be applied to all sites when only some locations are violating the law. They are working with NWone on developing a policy position.

**Cover Oregon:** This is a case of mismanagement and oversight. Andi isn't sure what is going to happen with Cover Oregon, but potentially something will be addressed.

**CRNA and Anesthesia Techs:** Anesthesia Technicians is a newly defined group of healthcare workers. Hospitals will not engage in that, but may say something later.

**90-Day Grace Period:** If someone has paid one insurance premium, they are covered for 90 days. If they don't pay premiums in the future, a physician may be stuck with the cost of their care. There is a bill to address that.

**Ambulatory Surgical Centers:** ASC's want to extend their stay and become an overnight hospital without changes to licensure.

**Rural Setting ER:** Rural areas want to create a free-standing emergency room. The town of Brookings is pushing this as they need emergency care for residents. They only have an urgent care as of now.

Also looking at tax credits for rural health providers. Does it really work? What tools do we need to verify the tax credit even works? They are looking at tax credits and other incentive programs.

Education Workgroup Update	<p>The name has officially been changed from the BSN to the Education workgroup. They will be having a face-to-face meeting for 3 hours at ONA on Oct. 29. Kristin Caruso will facilitate an appreciative inquiry discussion, and they will be using the Florida toolkit/logic model. They are going to start looking beyond the 80 percent by 2020 recommendation. They are working on a mission statement and have enough people on their group.</p>	
Co-Lead Update	<p>Leslie motioned to approve Edward Brewington of AARP to be a member of the OAC Steering Committee. Gladys seconded the motion. The vote for his appointment was unanimous. Edward will start attending in January. Susan suggested Edward attend the November planning meeting.</p> <p>Gladys asked for a more structured process for approving people to the steering committee. The group suggested asking for a CV and a statement of intent; the why and what the new member would bring to the group.</p> <p>Christy and Leslie are putting in a proposal for recruitment new steering committee members, basing things on the Texas Team model.</p> <p>The Funding Taskforce met and wanted to pursue a funding proposal around a leadership project, at the suggestion of CFA.</p> <p>Leslie is retiring from the Oregon Patient Safety Commission, and will step down as co-lead. She would like to continue to serve the OAC in some capacity.</p>	
Strategic Priority Meeting	<p>The group discussed holding a strategic priority meeting on November 14 to determine the OAC direction and to be strategic about the appointment of a new co-lead.</p> <p>The meeting will address the question: "What do we need to do to</p>	<p>Prep for the meeting: The group requested a list of who and what organizations are involved, and how those groups relate to the IOM. Gladys will send a one-pager about nursing to Tom before the</p>

	<p>move the agenda forward without duplicating effort?" and will address the following items:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. What is OAC's big picture objective?</li> <li>2. What are our focus areas?</li> <li>3. Who should be on the Steering Committee?</li> <li>4. How is the Steering Committee organized (process)? What changes do we need to make to the charter to reflect our decisions?</li> </ol> <p>After a long discussion, the group decided a facilitator would be needed for this meeting. The group suggested Kris Campbell or Louise Shores.</p>	<p>November meeting. Potentially, a send out questions to all steering committee members.</p> <p>Jana to contact Kris Campbell, Gladys to contact Louise Shores.</p> <p>Jana will ask Kelley Ilic to take minutes of the meeting.</p>
<p>Communications Workgroup Update</p>	<p>The Communications Workgroup would like to use the website set aside by the Oregon Center for Nursing to publicly communicate the OAC message. This site is not currently replacing the weebly site with information for the steering committee, but it could at some point.</p> <p>The OAC logo is complete, and will be posted to the weebly site.</p> <p>Carl Brown and Jana worked on putting together a PowerPoint slideshow to share information on the IOM and OAC. Jana suggested putting the project on hold until after the strategic priority meeting. Emily Goerke will send Jana the PowerPoint she put together for an ORANA presentation.</p>	
<p>Leadership Workgroup Update</p>	<p>NWone completed the Best on Boards training. The workshop was a great success and they are already seeing people pursuing board positions. They have identified three mentors; Ruth Hanston, Kimberly McNally and Laurie Brown. The goal was five mentors.</p>	<p>Leadership Workgroup Asks:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Think of ways we can bring work from our own organizations to share with the OAC</li> <li>2. OAC will ask the CAP2 program to share information with OCN for a potential advanced practice study</li> <li>3. Think bigger about OAC in the</li> </ol>

		legislative agenda 4. They need two more board mentors 5. Put an emphasis on rural health 6. Need Sharmila Bose's address
Announcements	<p>OCN:          A new survey nurse faculty is currently being conducted. Results will be published early 2015.          A new NurseCast podcast has been posted with emerging roles for nurses with healthcare transformation          Anastasia Sofranac is now working at the Office of Equity and Inclusion running the DELTA program, which is accepting new applications.</p> <p>OHSU: OHSU held its Academic-Practice Summit on September 26, and it went very well. Susan is working to transcribe the work done by the small groups at the meeting.</p>	
Next Steps	<p>Next Meeting          Friday, November 14 from 8:30am to 12:30pm at ONA offices. NOTE          NEW TIME.</p>	

