Summary of Minutes March 2015 Clatsop County Community Advisory Council

The agenda was approved. The minutes from the February CAC were reviewed. The February minutes were approved by the CAC.

Innovator Agent, Joell Archibald gave an update on the re-determination process in Clatsop County. Re-Enrollment has been extended until the end of March. Joell discussed the CAC summit in June and that GOBHI has a conference in May that the CCO will sponsor CAC members to attend if they would like to go.

The CAC had several guests including Kevin Campbell from GOBHI. This was in response to the letter of request sent by the CAC in January regarding having information about the work plan that Clatsop Behavioral is developing in order to have an idea regarding how the CAC could help to improve quality and access in the behavioral health system in Clatsop County.

The discussion Representatives from the DD, foster care, corrections, domestic violence, school systems and consumers each discussed their experiences of the system that were difficult and at times traumatizing. Themes centered on follow up after crisis, medication refills, and lack of communication about what GOBHI and/or Clatsop Behavioral is doing to address these issues. In general it was felt that needs to be a better designed system that has parameters that are more flexible to support all levels of care.

Solutions discussed were improving the system to be more responsive, having more staff and that we are all part of "system" and need to work together, communicate directly with each other. The CAC is interested in being part of the consortium that is helping to design the respite system. The group decided to reflect on this meeting and to discuss next steps later.

Kevin Campbell agreed to return to the CAC in 6 months or less to give an update about changes that are happening in the behavioral health care system in Clatsop County.

The next meeting is April 7, 5-7pm, at the community college, Towler building, room 310.