

Treatment Committee Members,

Thank you so much for your willingness to contribute your energy, time, and expertise for the benefit of Oregonians who are experiencing the impacts of Substance Use and Substance Use Disorders. The ADPC and its committees have an essential role in mapping out the vision and provide direction for the future of care, outcomes, and impacts of the SUD care continuum through the creation of a statewide comprehensive plan.

As a commission, the ADPC seeks to *reduce substance use & substance use disorders, substance use related deaths, and substance use related disparities*. While the Treatment community cannot address this alone, we can impact each of these goals either directly for the individual who needs support now or indirectly in the future by providing the necessary supports to avoid generational cycles of the same health crisis. While this experience together will not be easy, it will be meaningful and may lay the foundation for a future we have all been dreaming to see become reality. For this comprehensive plan, we have decided on a theme of Access, but you may be asking “Access to what?”

As a committee member this is a question you get to answer over the coming months as we think intentionally on our charge to reduce substance related use, disorders, deaths, and disparities. While I cannot say today what this plan will contain, I will share that while drafting this welcome packet, this portion of the Treatment Committee charter was at the forefront of my thoughts:

“To support their charge, the committee will support the development, implementation, and maintenance of treatment strategies to grow a statewide, comprehensive approach to increase access to quality substance use disorder treatment, and improving the collection and use of data to evaluate treatment access, processes, and outcomes, ultimately seeking to decrease disparities that impede access to these supports...with a goal of assuring that those who interact with this system of care are met with dignity, person-centered, evidenced informed, and culturally responsive services.”

As we work together, my hope is that we all consider how best to answer these three areas of need for the treatment continuum:

- How do we define “quality treatment?”
- What components of care should be available to every individual seeking support for their substance use disorder, no matter their reason for seeking care or the setting by which they find access to this support?
- How do we improve access to care so that it is available when and where people need it?

- Mitch Doig, ADPC 2024

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Resources

Technical Assistance:

Alcohol Drug & Addiction Institute (University of Washington)

Website: <https://adai.uw.edu/>

ADAI is based at the University of Washington and source of substance use and substance use disorder related efforts such as research, research funding, and dissemination. The various centers housed within ADAI have a range of focus areas ranging from policy advisement to drug checking to practice implementation. These centers vary widely in scope and area of focus with some being state or regionally specific, while others offer to support regardless of geographic region, such as the ADAI clearinghouse which serves as a repository for materials from SAMHSA, NIDA, NIAAA, and other federally or state funded agencies.

Clinical Trials Network

Website: <https://nida.nih.gov/organization/center-clinical-trials-network-cctn/clinical-trials-network-ctn>

The Clinical Trials Network (CTN) is a unique partnership program of medical, specialty treatment providers, researchers, patients, and NIDA (National Institute on Drug Abuse) cooperatively develop, research, improve, and offer new treatment options to patients. The website includes access to CTN/ NIH funded research and other on demand technical assistance resources. The network contains regional “nodes” designed to serve as localized headquarters for training, research, fellowships, and awards.

GAINS Center for Behavioral Health and Justice Transformation

Weblink: <https://www.samhsa.gov/gains-center>

The GAINS (Gather, Assess, Integrate, Network, and Stimulate) Center focused on expanding access to services for people with mental and/or substance use disorders who come in contact with the adult criminal justice system. The website links to training and other technical assistance relating to emerging or established best practices and priority areas.

IMPACT (Oregon Health Science University)

Website: <https://www.ohsu.edu/health/ohsu-improving-addiction-care-team-impact>

OHSU’s IMPACT (Improving Addiction Care Team) aims to improve the treatment of individuals experiencing and receiving support for SUDs in a hospital setting. To accomplish their mission, IMPACT provides a combination of resources to the community such as direct services, consultation, technical assistance, and conducts relevant research. Included in these support options are efforts provide support through the Oregon ECHO network and the Addiction Medicine Consult line.

Northwest Addiction Technology Transfer Center

Website: <https://attcnetwork.org/center/northwest-attc/>

The Northwest ATTC is one of 10 SAMSHA funded regional centers that make up the Addiction Technology Transfer Center network. This technical assistance network has a primary focus of accelerating the adoption of evidence-based practices for the Addiction Services continuum, providing supports ranging from general informational webinars up to long term intensive implementation projects, such as efforts to improve integrated co-occurring treatment within

Oregon. Technical assistance is largely planned a year in advance, though some may be provided on a request basis as resources are available.

Opioid Response Network

Website: <https://opioidresponsenetwork.org/>

The Opioid Response Network (ORN) is a SAMHSA funded technical assistance grant that supports free training and education to address opioid, stimulant, and other substance use disorders. This training and technical assistance is provided on a request basis to organizations, counties, and other systems to support improved practice, coalition building, and awareness raising. The website includes background on the organization and case studies describing projects from creating On Demand Opioid Treatment programs to laying the groundwork for a recovery high school.

Information/ Organizations:

The following organizations are presented as potential sources of information that might guide our work and cover a variety of topic areas ranging from care standards to libraries of historical record. This is not an exhaustive list but instead are provided to serve as starting point of information available to all committee members by which you might find inspiration or cautionary tales.

ASAM

Website: <https://www.asam.org/>

The American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM) is committed to improving access to evidenced based and quality prevention and treatment. In addition to creating and releasing the ASAM criteria (an industry standard for level of care and placement decision making), the organization advocates for policy and practice changes to improve the substance use care continuum, including treatment, prevention, and recovery services. The website hosts a variety of content areas that may be of interest ranging from policy statements, care guidelines, educational resources, and other publications.

Chestnut- William White Papers

Website: <https://www.chestnut.org/william-white-papers/>

Chestnut hosts a repository of William White's written works related to the profession as well as advocacy efforts. This includes a variety of information including recovery management, ROSC, Treatment, peer services and more. This collection of materials was created and is maintained to provide a history of addiction treatment and recovery in the United States, including the helpful and less helpful approaches the field has adopted, discontinued, or considered throughout the years.

Center for Health Care Strategies- Ten State Financing Principles for Promoting Substance Use Services

Weblink: <https://www.chcs.org/media/State-Principles-for-Financing-Substance-Use-Care-Treatment-and-Support-Services.pdf>

Each of the SUD financing principles outlined in this report includes practical policy action steps and concrete examples to help state policymakers and other stakeholders seeking to improve SUD treatment systems.

National Council for Mental Wellbeing

Website: <https://www.thenationalcouncil.org/>

The National Council for Mental Wellbeing focuses on public policy, workforce development, public health programming, equity, and care integration through a combination of advocacy efforts related to substance use and mental health care. The website hosts information relating to policy priorities, technical assistance, and information related to programs or services that support priority areas.

NIATx

Website: <https://niatx.wisc.edu/>

The NIATx model is an evidenced based process improvement model that was designed to support Substance Use Disorder treatment settings. NIATx provides technical assistance for organizational

leaders and its website hosts information on promising practice/program improvements in SUD treatment and other resources that support implementation of evidenced base practices in treatment settings.

Recovery Research Institute

Website: <https://www.recoveryanswers.org/>

The Recovery Research Institute is a non-profit research institute with a focus on the advancement of addiction treatment and recovery, emphasizing stigma reduction as a core need for the advancement of SUD supports. The organization's website provides information related to substance use disorder that may be of interest to different groups depending on their focus and knowledge bases. In addition to information about the institute's own research, they also provide general information for those who may be less acquainted with addiction or the science of treatment that may be useful for assisting partners in increasing understanding of substance use and substance use disorders. A portion of the website is also managed by the Recovery Bulletin staff, who writes articles that summarize the latest evidence-based information and findings related to treatment and recovery research.

SAMSHA

Website: <https://www.samhsa.gov/>

A potentially familiar resource to many, the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) website contains a wide variety of information relevant to the Treatment Committee. The website hosts national data & related reports, grant information, evidence-based practice guidance, systems level guidance, and other areas that may be supportive in identifying strategies to support the treatment system, information areas to consider to for evaluation, or even pockets of federal funding worth exploring.

Topics

Recovery Oriented Systems of Care (ROSC)

From the Treatment Committee charter: “The committee strives to support and maintain a treatment service continuum that contributes to a broader recovery-oriented system of care, aiming to support more holistically those who experience substance use disorders with a goal of assuring those who interact with this system of care are met with dignity, person-centered, evidenced informed, and culturally responsive services.”

To support the committee in this effort, the following resources have been suggested as background to support shared understanding across committee members:

Practice Guidelines for Recovery-Oriented Care for Mental Health and Substance Use Conditions, Connecticut Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services. 2008

Handbook: <https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/dmhas/recovery/practiceguidelines2pdf.pdf>

Appendices: <https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/dmhas/recovery/appendicespdf.pdf?rev=e5da59826e1a48d98fb11741f58898f3&hash=80F28CA564D779F40C423156C4D9F585>

This document outlines the guidelines for Connecticut’s adoption and implement of Recovery-Oriented strategies, services, and supports. This handbook provides insights and suggestions for adoption of ROSC principles at the State/Agency level, organizational levels, and provider levels. *While not all material contained within this document is relevant to our current environment or unique state specific challenges, the described processes and considerations may serve as a starting point for imagining how re-imagining the continuum care may be challenged and/or supported by planning through a ROSC framework.*

Recovery-Oriented Systems of Care: A Perspective on the Past, Present, and Future., Davidson, Row, DiLeo, Bellamy, Delphin-Rittmon. 2021

Article: <https://arcr.niaaa.nih.gov/media/1511/download?inline>

This article examines some of the challenges to adoption of ROSC principles over time with suggestions for the future of ROSC, referencing the Connecticut adoption and challenges. Notably, the authors suggest that stigma reduction cannot be viewed as a result of achieving a ROSC, but instead one of the primary foundations of the process itself. *Committee members may consider when offering potential strategies or goals of the commission to first consider how this action does or does not contribute to embracing the person with SUD support needs as a member of society who is entitled to access of care in the same way that we might look at any other condition.* From the text: “In this respect, it is important to note that citizenship, including the right to social inclusion, is considered to be a foundation for recovery rather than to be viewed as one of its rewards.”

Recovery-Oriented Systems of Care Resources. Addiction Technology Transfer Center

Weblink: <https://attcnetwork.org/rosoc/>

The ATTC provides this landing page for ROSC related resources such as building partnerships with faith communities, Stigma Reduction, Best Practices, Recovery Capital, and other information.

This may help support conversations with partners, community members, or assist with strategies themselves.

SAMHSA's ROSC Resource Guide, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Administration, 2010.

Weblink: https://www.samhsa.gov/sites/default/files/rosc_resource_guide_book.pdf

This guide provides an overview of ROSC, steps for planning up to eventual implementation, and includes ROSC related resources, such as information relating to the implementation of other state systems. As the treatment committee has already declared intent to contribute to a ROSC, it may be helpful to look specifically to the section related to implementation, beginning on page 19. This section describes challenges for implementation and high-level suggestions for solutions, such as funding challenges.

Medication for Use Disorders

Medications for Substance Use Disorders, SAMHSA

Weblink: <https://www.samhsa.gov/medications-substance-use-disorders>

This webpage provides an overview of approved medications for use disorders (alcohol and opioid), some talking points for the use of medication to treat SUDs, and resources for further information/learning on the topic. This may be helpful as a resource for partners or other collaborators seeking to expand their knowledge of the topic or to understand the guidance provided at a federal level.

Opioid Use Disorder Treatment: A Toolkit for Oregon Emergency Departments, Oregon Health Leadership Council. 2023.

Weblink: <https://ohlc.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/02/ODU-Toolkit-final.pdf>

This toolkit provides a foundational framework for emergency departments seeking to establish or improve treatments of Opioid Use Disorder (OUD) in their setting. It contains Oregon-specific resources and examples to assist in their efforts. Additionally, this document provides a list of other pre-existing documents relating OUD care in emergency settings. In addition to this toolkit, OHLC's website provides other SUD related resources here: <https://ohlc.org/partner-initiatives/best-practice/substance-use-disorder/>

Education

Core Curriculum Elements on Substance Use Disorder for Early Academic Career: Medical and Health Professions Education Programs, SAMSHA. 2024

Weblink: <https://www.samhsa.gov/sites/default/files/core-curriculum-report-final.pdf>

This report was created to provide guidance to promote comprehensive education among those training in health fields (medical, physician associate, nurse practitioner, nurse, social worker, public health, and counseling academic programs), including discipline specific recommendations. This includes topics on historical context of SUD treatment, screening & assessment, treatment, pain management, and inter-professional education. In addition, this includes some guidance on integration of these content areas into educational settings. In addition to the core theme of “access,” this report suggests such integration may be a vehicle for stigma reduction.

ADPC Documents

2024: ADPC Preliminary Report and Recommendations in Accordance with House Bill 4002 Section 11

Section 11 of House Bill 4002 (2024) required the ADPC to conduct a study of barriers to and best practices for: (a) youth accessing opioid use disorder treatment; and (b) increasing access to medications for opioid use disorder (MOUD) treatment. The bill required the ADPC to create a youth strategic plan in conjunction with the System of Care Advisory Council (SOCAC) and strategies to remove barriers to MOUD treatment by September 15, 2025. The bill also required the ADPC to report to the legislature interim progress to each plan's development and preliminary recommendations by September 30, 2024 – the following report adheres to that requirement:

Weblink: [Alcohol and Drug Policy Commission HB 4002 Report September 2024.pdf](#)

2024: Fall ADPC update to the House Interim Committee on Behavioral Health & Healthcare

Weblink: [ADPC House BH Committee 9.24.2024.pdf](#)

2024: Report from the System of Care Advisory Council & ADPC

Delivered to the Oregon Joint Interim Committee on Addiction and Community Safety Response

Weblink: [JICACSR 9.24.24 ADPC SOCAC.pdf](#)

2023: Recommendations for Immediate Action to Reduce the Number of People Who Die of Overdose in Oregon

Weblink: [ADPC December 2023 Overdose Recommendations.pdf](#)

2020-2025 Statewide Strategic Plan

The Alcohol and Drug Policy Commission (ADPC) is an independent state agency created by the Legislature in 2009 to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of substance use services for all Oregonians. In 2018, the Legislature directed the ADPC to develop a statewide, comprehensive strategic plan for substance use services, which the ADPC completed in 2020 for 2020-25.

Weblink: [2020-2025 Statewide Strategic Plan](#)

ADPC Treatment Committee Charter (updated 11.13.24)

Weblink:

<https://www.oregon.gov/adpc/Documents/ADPC%20Treatment%20Committee%20Charter.pdf>

Current Statutory Language Relating to the ADPC:

Weblink: https://www.oregonlegislature.gov/bills_laws/lawsstatutes/2022orlaw0063.pdf

Oregon Agency Partner Reports

Oregon Behavioral Health Landscape Overview. Ebony Clark, OHA Behavioral Health Division Director, December 2024.

Weblink:

<https://olis.oregonlegislature.gov/liz/2023I1/Downloads/CommitteeMeetingDocument/286985>

This slideshow was presented to the Joint Task Force on Regional Behavioral Health Accountability and provides an overview of the Governor's Behavioral Health Advisory Council Recommendations and subsequent BHD actions taken related to programs and services, crisis systems, and workforce. Committee members may find the latter portion of the presentation of particular interest, which is presented as a breakdown of funding streams for Behavioral Health Services, beginning on page 8.

Oregon Health Authority Substance Use Disorder Financial Analysis, Public Consulting Group. April 2024

Weblink: <https://www.oregon.gov/oha/HSD/AMH/DataReports/SUD-Financial-Analysis-Report-0424.pdf>

A summary of SUD spending of Oregon State Agencies by service category, county, and funding type/ category as well as providing estimates for funding to address the unmet needs across the continuum of care.

2022: Oregon Substance Use Disorder Service and Gap Analysis

In collaboration with Oregon Health Authority and Oregon Alcohol and Drug Policy Commission (ADPC), researchers from the Oregon Health and Science University - Portland State University School of Public Health (OHSU-PSU SPH) conducted an inventory and gap analysis of service delivery resources available in Oregon to address substance use disorder prevention, harm reduction, treatment, and recovery.

Weblink: [Oregon Substance Use Disorder Services and Gap Analysis - 2022](#)

Other State Information Sources:

Measure 110 Behavioral Health Resource Network (BHRN) Dashboard

Weblink:

<https://app.powerbigov.us/view?r=eyJrIjoiMTA1MGZkYjYtNjVhNy00Y2VILWE1ZmMtZGI2YWVzN2VhZjFkIiwidCI6IjY1OGU2M2U4LThkMzktNDk5Yy04ZjQ4LTEzYWVjOTQ1MmY0YyJ9>

Oregon Administrative Rules Database

Weblink: <https://secure.sos.state.or.us/oard/processLogin.action>

Oregon Criminal Justice Commission Dashboards

Weblink: <https://public.tableau.com/app/profile/cjcdashboards/vizzes>

Oregon Health Authority (OHA) Substance Use Disorder Financial Analysis, April 2024.

Weblink: <https://www.oregon.gov/oha/HSD/AMH/DataReports/SUD-Financial-Analysis-Report-0424.pdf>