



Children and Youth Behavioral Health Work Group – Behavioral Health Integration (BHI) Subgroup

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Glossary of Terms

B&O: Business and Occupation

CHW: Community Health Worker

EPSDT: Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic, and Treatment

HCA: Health Care Authority

MCO: Managed Care Organization

PAL: Partnership Access Line

Meeting Topics

Review & discuss the final slide of intersections with BHI and Strategic Plan

Presentation: HCA Action Plan and Study for Interpersonal Consultations

Next Steps & Wrap Up

Discussion Summary

Intersections with BHI and Strategic Plan

1. Discussions about how BHI contributes to the strategic plan's imperatives as they have been outlined thus-far. Some of the feedback given on those imperatives includes:
 - a. Including language like "Outcomes-Informed" when referring to "Innovation"
 - b. Including "Family-Centered" when assessing outcomes
 - c. Including an emphasis on efficiency around "collective learning processes"
2. Group feedback on BHI's intersections with the draft Washington Thriving goals includes:
 - a. BHI's ability to go upstream and help early
 - b. BHI's ability to provide parents education; the group also discussed importance of providing parents education and resources in settings like community settings and schools.
3. The group discussed the importance of behavioral health and behavioral well-being, ensuring that there is a population-based approach in communities to promote behavioral well-being.

Presentation: HCA Action Plan and Study for Interpersonal Consultations

Katelyn Anderson, HCA, shared an Action Plan for Implementing Interpersonal Consultation Policy—A study on the impact on Behavioral Health Services

- Shortages of specialists lead to long wait times, delayed diagnoses, and treatments. Katelyn developed an action plan for increasing behavioral health access by funding interprofessional consultations.
- New York and Minnesota have promising models and resources. Yakima Valley Farm Workers also has an excellent model to learn from.



Next Steps & Wrap Up

1. The Mercer study and evaluation with HCA on behavioral health will be available in mid-July.
2. The leads will be implementing feedback to the current working BHI Input document and distribute as a pre-read before the next meeting.
3. The subgroup will next meet on Tuesday, July 8th from 1-2:30pm. *If you are not already on the BHI mailing list and would like to be added, you can email cybhwg@hca.wa.gov indicating your preference.*