

# Engrossed Senate Bill 5476

## Substance Use Recovery Services Advisory (SURSA) Committee

### Advisory committee

The Health Care Authority (HCA) has established a committee tasked with developing measures to assist persons with substance use disorder (SUD) in accessing outreach, treatment, and recovery support services that are low barrier, person centered, informed by people with lived experience, and culturally and linguistically appropriate.

### Committee membership

HCA has appointed members to the committee who have relevant background related to the needs of the persons with substance use disorders and be reflective of the community of individuals living with substance use disorders. The committee includes legislative representation and several local and national experts.

### Substance use recovery services plan

The Committee will contribute to the development of the Substance Use Recovery Services Plan. The Plan includes measures to assist individuals with substance use disorder in accessing outreach, treatment and recovery support services that are evidence-based approaches, person centered, and appropriate for the target populations. The Plan will establish a fundamental framework for regional capacity for community-based care access points, address barriers in access to existing systems, and design a mechanism for referring persons into supportive services. The plan shall be developed in collaboration with individuals with lived experience, while also meeting cultural and linguistic appropriate expectations.

### Specific elements of the substance use recovery services plan

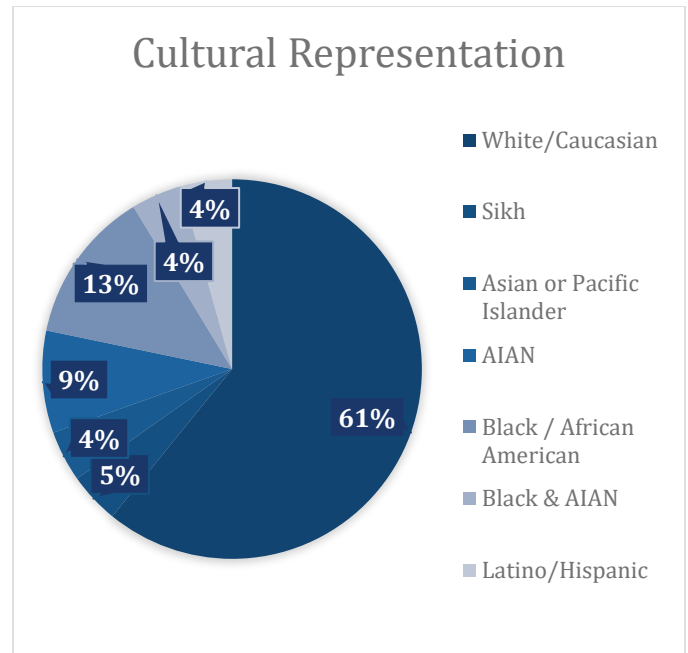
The Committee will focus on the following areas of consideration when developing recommendations for the Substance Use Recovery Services Plan:

- Covering points of intersection that persons with substance use disorder have with state, local, and community systems (Section 1.3.a)
- The various locations where persons with untreated substance use disorder congregate (Section 1.3.a)
- New community-based care access points (Section 1.3.b)
- Developing framework and design assistance for jurisdictions to assist in compliance with requirements of RCW 10.31.110 to connect individuals with complex or co-occurring behavioral health conditions with community-based care (Section 1.3.g)
- Identify resource gaps that make it difficult for jurisdictions to fully implement this approach (Section 1.3.g)
- Proposing a funding framework that, over time, switches resources from punishment sectors to community-based care interventions as primary strategy (Section 1.3.i)
- Strategic grant making to community organizations to promote public understanding of persons with substance use disorder (Section 1.3.j)
- Recommendations for connecting individuals with substance use disorder, and those with co-occurring substance use and mental health conditions, with community-based care across all access points of the sequential intercept model (Sect 1.3.k)
- Recommendations regarding appropriate criminal legal response to possession of controlled substances (Section 1.3.l)

- Recommendations regarding the collection and reporting of data that identifies the number of people who:
  - are engaged by law enforcement officers and prosecutors related to drug possession
  - are diverted from charges to recovery navigator services or other services;
  - receive services and what type;
  - are charged with simple possession;
  - are taken into custody.

These numbers will also capture disparities across geographic areas, race, ethnicity, gender, age, sexual orientation, and income. (Section 1.3.m)

## Committee Demographics



## Timeline & Deliverables

To allow time for internal review and report write-up, the Committee will be responsible for providing necessary information to HCA two months prior to the dates the reports are due to the Governor’s Office and legislature, as indicated in ESB 5476.

### Preliminary report

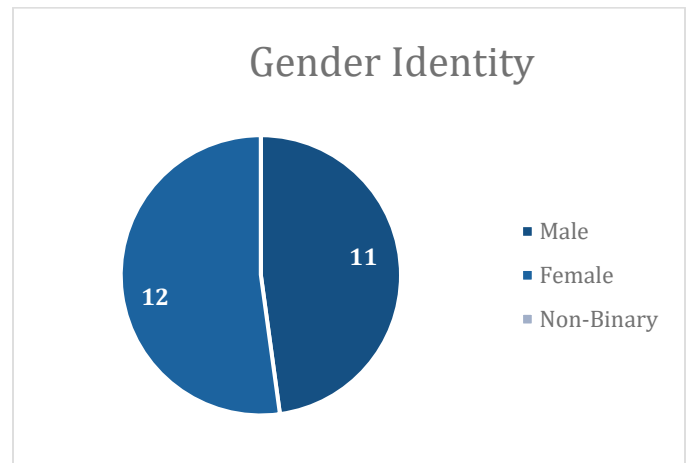
The Preliminary Report of committee selection and activity was submitted to the state legislature on November 24, 2021.

### Final substance use recovery services plan

The final Substance Use Recovery Services Plan, informed by recommendations provided by the Committee, is due to the Governor’s Office and state legislature on Dec 1, 2022

### Annual implementation reports

Plan Implementation Reports discussing rule adoption, contracts, data collection, and other activities related to implementation of the Plan, are due annually on Dec 1<sup>st</sup> of 2023 and each subsequent year through 2026.



## Committee Members & Areas of Representation As Per Engrossed Senate Bill 5476 Sec 1, Part 2(a)

Primary Representation Role	Name	County
Director's Appointment, Committee Chair	Michael Langer	Thurston
House of Representatives, Democrat Caucus	Lauren Davis	Snohomish, parts of King (32 <sup>nd</sup> District)
House of Representatives, Democrat Caucus ( <i>Alternate</i> )	Jamila Taylor	King, Pierce (30 <sup>th</sup> District)
House of Representatives, Republican Caucus	Dan Griffey	Mason, parts of Thurston, Kitsap (35 <sup>th</sup> District)
House of Representatives, Republican Caucus ( <i>Alternate</i> )	Gina Mosbrucker	Klickitat, Skamania, Yakima (14 <sup>th</sup> District)
Senate, Democratic Caucus	Manka Dhingra	King (45 <sup>th</sup> District)
Senate, Republican Caucus	John Braun	Clark, Lewis, Cowlitz (20 <sup>th</sup> District)
Governor's Office	Amber Leaders	Thurston
Expert from Addictions, Drug, & Alcohol Institute at UW	Caleb Banta-Green	King
Adult in Recovery from SUD who experienced criminal legal consequences (1 of 3)	Victor De Los Santos	King
Adult in Recovery from SUD who experienced criminal legal consequences (2 of 3)	Kierra Fisher	Snohomish
Adult in Recovery from SUD who experienced criminal legal consequences (3 of 3)	Alexi Orr	Okanogan
Peer Recovery Services Provider	Amber Daniel	Walla Walla
Expert in Anti-Racism	Brandie Flood	King
Representative of Federally Recognized Tribe	Cheryl Rasar	Swinomish Tribe
Representative of Federally Recognized Tribe ( <i>Alternate</i> )	Andrew Shogren	
Representative of Prosecutors	Chad Enright	Kitsap
Representative of Public Defenders	John Hayden	Clallam
Representative of Local Government	Gary Harris	King
Representative of the Association of WA Health Plans	Marshall Glass	Pierce
Recovery Housing Provider	Tyler Gagnon	King
Outreach Services Provider	Hallie Burchinal	Spokane
SUD Treatment Provider	Theresa Adkison	Yakima
Expert in Serving Persons with Co-Occurring SUD and MH	Sarah Gillard	Franklin
Representative of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs	Donnell Tanksley	Whatcom
Expert in Diversion from the Criminal Legal System to Community-Based SUD Care	Malika Lamont	Thurston
Employee Who Provides SUD Tx and Serves as Member of a Labor Union Representing Workers in Behavioral Health Field	VACANT / TBD	
Youth (1 of 2) in Recovery from SUD who Experienced Criminal Legal Consequences	VACANT / TBD	
Youth (2 of 2) in Recovery from SUD who Experienced Criminal Legal Consequences	VACANT / TBD	



## HCA Substance Use Recovery Services Plan Administrative Team

- Jason McGill, Executive Co-Sponsor
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- Michelle Martinez, SURSA Committee Administrator
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### **Questions?**

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