## IMPACT AREA: SHARED LEARNING INFRASTRUCTURE

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| **HLC partners** meet quarterly to discuss shared vision, learnings, challenges, and opportunities.  
**HLC staff** regularly communicate with all partners. | • Continue to distribute monthly newsletters.  
• HLC has completed strategic planning. We are waiting for SWACH Board approval and hope to have this by the end of June.  
• At the April HLC Quarterly meeting we hosted five legislators who debriefed the state legislative session and we had breakout session highlighting exciting work in our region: including 211 info, Clark County Public Health’s worksite wellness initiatives, Active Transportation hosted by the National Safe Routes to School National Partnership lead in our region, and ACES Action Alliance and Support for Early Learning and Families (SELF).  
• HLC is working on updating our website. We hope to launch an updated website in the next month.  
• HLC had a successful launch to a series of equity and social justice and implicit bias training taught by Maria Lisa Johnson. Thank you United Way and Northwest Health Foundation for making this opportunity possible. Over 190 people in our region have participated in these trainings. | Improved communication, alignment, and action among HLC partners and community members to improve health equity. |
| **Funders group** meets twice annually to receive progress report on shared investments and supports a shared vision. | • In partnership with Providence Center for Outcomes Research and Education HLC was able to secure $90,000 from Kaiser Permanente to support evaluation for the next two years. Thank you Kaiser Permanente for being such an incredible support to HLC!  
• HLC received a new mini grant through Group Health aimed at: Lessons Learned through Engaging Communities.  
• HLC is currently seeking funding to support CHW Neighborhood work for 2019. | A robust pool of supportive funding that supports a long-term process of social change without identifying any particular solution in advance. |
| **Community Health Advocates and Peer Supports (CHAPS) Network** promotes professional development opportunities, advocates for workforce development related to the peer skill set; and raises awareness among local systems of care about the value that local Peer activities add to these systems. | SW CHAPS is a growing grassroots network of community-based community health advocates and certified peers, serving the communities across the Southwest WA region, who come together to learn, support one another, and share ideas and best practices. Here are some recent achievements.  
• Hosted a successful April Network Meetings 1) Explored local responses for the opioid crisis 2) Learned what NARCAN is and how/when to administer it 3) Shared local resources for obtaining NARCAN kits & additional training offered for not cost 3) Learned about statewide CHW connections and how to strengthen the network. 4) Shared legislative updates on HB 2436 (a bill for the definition of CHW, still in progress) and the plan to revisit it and reshape it.  
• Participated in Regional CHW panel for Healthy Columbia Willamette Collaborative.  
• Participate and assisted in tabling in the statewide CHW Conference “It’s All About Relationships” in Lynnwood, WA.  
• Continue to stay connected to Statewide CHW Network work. Working more closely with state lead Gretchen Hanson. | Increased community capacity of neighborhood-based and professional level peers to build community engagement, link community resources, and improve health outcomes. |
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- Provided feedback to the SWACH Community Engagement Plans
- Worked on supporting a Peers Lunch Support Group
- Supported Residents Action Plan (Clark County & Statewide connections)
- Continue to develop Social Media Facebook/website
- Upcoming Network Meeting topics: June: Hearing Voices Network - Making connections, August: Supporting Our Youth in the Electronic Age, October: Getting prepared for advocacy in the Legislative season

| **Community Connections workgroup** is developing a prototype data system that aggregates data from different sectors and uses them to build comprehensive, contextually informed approaches to community health. |
| **CORE** has successfully brought Vancouver Housing Authority data in-house and is conducting analysis, including developing flags of populations of interest, and understanding data elements. Recent work has focused on understanding how individuals move through different stages (from application, to eligible, to drawn, to housed) and how these stages are applied across different waitlists. This has led to more concrete population flags (i.e. all individuals who are housed) to use for future matching with other sector data and analysis is ongoing. |
| **CORE** has received preliminary approval from the Washington State IRB for the Medicaid data, but cannot access the data until the confidentiality agreement with the Health Care Authority is signed. |
| **CORE** has developed a more concrete understanding and documentation for requested education data elements and has been working with Vancouver Public School staff to prepare for a meeting to present the data use case and begin work on a data sharing agreement. CORE has also worked with the federal Department of Education Privacy Technical Assistance Center (PTAC) for a clear understanding of the legal path(s) to requesting individual level education data under FERPA. |

**Evaluation** of HLC and CHW program is completed annually.

| **Year 3 Evaluation is well underway. The three areas of focus include:** |
| **PARTNER Survey.** CORE will design the Year 3 PARTNER survey in partnership with the HLC. CORE will field the survey to key contacts at partner organizations as identified by HLC leadership, and will analyze results in comparison to past year. Analysis will be completed for the HLC as a whole, by partner, by membership status, and by county. This will be launched in the coming months. |
| **CHW Activity Tracker.** CORE will use participatory design methods to create an activity tracker for Community Health Workers. The tracker will incorporate Common Indicators measures and roles and responsibilities and will enable ease of reporting for supervisors and funders. |
| **CHW/CHA Structured Interviews.** CORE will conduct up to 20 surveys or structured interviews with Community Health Workers to assess capacity building, empowerment, and the HLC’s new leadership development model. The design of data collection methods will be completed in partnership with the HLC team. CORE will write a report to summarize findings. |
| **Tracking HLC Policy and Systems Efforts.** This component of the evaluation will look at the overall outcomes from the four-year 1422-year grant from the Department of Health. CORE will also highlight local and state policy wins over this same time period. |

| **HLC has actionable cross-sector information to drive learning, action, and evaluation with the appropriate community and data filters.** |
## IMPACT AREA: COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT & ACTION

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<td>Community Health Worker teams meet regularly to learn, plan, and act together on community priority issues.</td>
<td>HLC is working in partnership with PeaceHealth, Kaiser Permanente, Cascade Pacific Action Alliance, and SW Washington Accountable Community of Health in supporting two roundtable discussions (Cowlitz and Clark) to bring more awareness of Community Health Workers. CHW/CHAs and HLC staff will participate in the event. The Healthy Living Collaborative, is seeking to transition HLC’s Rose Village and South Kelso Community Health Worker/Community Health Advocate Teams to an organization(s) that embodies an empowering approach to honor voices, and shares information, knowledge, and decision making with community members. HLC will provide funding, technical assistance and third-party evaluation. We are excited to find a permanent home for our teams where their work can continue to strengthen and grow. The full partnership opportunity can be found on the HLC website. Wahkiakum Health and Human Services is working to take the lead role to support the youth CHA team in partnership with HLC. Wahkiakum Health and Human Services has provided in kind coaching support to the team and provides critical infrastructure support. We have learned that having coaches and CHA/CHWs housed in the same organization is ideal. Ophelia, coach of our S. Kelso CHW team, and Evan, coach of our Rose Village CHW team, have recently left HLC. We want to acknowledge all of their hard work and leadership on behalf of HLC and wish them the best of luck on their future endeavors! We are so thankful to have had both of their many contributions. Diana Avalos Leos and Teresa Lavagnino are proving additional support to the teams during the transition. Additionally, two lead CHW/CHAs from both the Rose Village and S. Kelso team are taking on more significant leadership roles to support the teams. Rose Village Community Health Worker (CHW) Team • Two Rose Village CHWs have practiced and improved advocacy skills around promoting culturally responsive services through attendance at the Legacy Health Literacy conference and one interning with Peace Health and serving in an advisory role. • CHWs have outreached to community to advocate, show support, and connect people to resources through local faith communities, community garden activities, the neighborhood association, and school groups. The team has attended outreach events at both the Multicultural</td>
<td>Increased capacity of systems to weave health, housing, social services, education, employment, economic development, and civic participation into the fabric of three identified neighborhoods. Increased neighborhood opportunities in the areas of chronic disease prevention, substance-free living, safety, and social connections as determined by the community in three distinct neighborhoods.</td>
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Festival and Harney Elementary School this quarter.

- The team wrapped up the children’s soccer program for the 2017-2018 school year with great success and great feedback from students and parents.

### South Kelso Community Health Advocate (CHA) Team

- South Kelso CHAs have remained well connected to local leadership, presenting and advocating for community needs identified in their recent PhotoVoice project.
- CHAs have been working with Life Line Food Pantry to promote healthy food access in South Kelso.
- CHAs are planning for more robust partnership development around community-identified issues such as transportation access, healthy food access, walkability, and general community outreach and have several events planned for the Spring and Summer.
- CHAs tabled at the local Pow Wow and are planning for more summer outreach events.
- CHAs are helping to spread the word about the Lower Columbia CAPs needs assessment.

### Wahkiakum County Youth Community Health Advocates (CHAs)

- The Wahkiakum youth team has added 7 new members who are passionate about the work and involved in leadership in their school and broader community.
- The youth team is well connected to school administration and has already presented their work to local government leadership.
- The youth team is focused on empowering, strength-based peer support, particularly around the issues of trauma-informed peer support and sexual and reproductive health issues.
- This summer, a team of youth CHAs will take part in an innovative training on the connections between Adverse Childhood Experiences ("ACEs") and youth sexual and emotional health. The training, led by Delena Meyer, will take place in late June and early July, and involve interactive learning through activities, and tools for application.

### Health equity is being integrated into all of our collective work.

- In May we started a 6-month leadership training with the Center for Equity inclusion with the Southwest Washington Equity Coalition. This group is made up of leaders from systems and organizations serving marginalized communities. Our work started with a 3-day intensive training.
- HLC is trialing using an equity lens tool within the HLC leadership committees (HLC Committee, Policy Committee)
- HLC staff are working with SWACH to bring an equity, anti-stigma, and trauma informed framework to the Medicaid transformation efforts.
- HLC is partnering with the Urban League and supporting efforts to open a satellite office in Vancouver.
- HLC continues to offer the 8-hour Leading for Social Justice and Equity training for HLC and SWACH partners. We have offered four trainings (Kelso, Ridgefield, Skamania and Vancouver). We

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continue to get lots of interest in this training and hear incredible feedback from participants. We have been offering these trainings for three years now and to date more than 190 people have participated in these trainings.

- We are also offering a 4-hour advanced course, also taught by Maria Lisa Johnson on implicit bias. We hope to continue to offer educational opportunities for our partners to do personal exploration and think about how their own organizations may be unintentionally perpetuating inequities.

### IMPACT AREA: HEALTH IN ALL POLICIES & SYSTEMS

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| Policy Committee prioritizes policy issues in partnership with collaborative and community members. | • HLC partners, CHWs and staff met with legislators and legislative aids twice during the state session to share our policy agenda. Thank you Senator Rivers for making this opportunity possible.  
• HLC staff and policy committee members have advocated on the below issues through emails, letters to legislators, sign on during committee hearings and in person communication.  
• Now that state session has ended HLC Policy Committee is turning its focus to support local policy issues.  
• HLC Policy Committee plans to have preliminary discussions on voter registration efforts at the June meeting. | Improve the health of all people by incorporating health considerations into decision-making across sectors and policy areas that prevent and mitigate chronic disease and poverty.  
Increase the adoption of a health equity lens and community feedback process into HLC partner policies and systems by end of 2018. |

**State Agenda:**
- Create Affordable Homes: build and preserve safe, healthy, and affordable homes. Invest at least $106 million in the Housing Trust Fund. [106 million allocated from capital budget](#)  
- Secure and increase funding for program that prevent and end homelessness. Pass HB 1570 to increase the document recording fee, ensure it never expires, and allow communities the flexibility to use 100% of funds to best meet locals. A modest fee paid to file real estate related documents is the most important source of funds to combat homelessness in Washington. [Passed](#)  
- Access to care for kids. HB 1637/SB 5471 Reinstate Medicaid pediatric payments to be at equity with Medicare. [Passed with $5.825 million in Senate and House budgets to reinstate Medicaid pediatric payments.](#)  
- HLC is working with the Washington Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics to improve the health of all people by incorporating health considerations into decision-making across sectors and policy areas that prevent and mitigate chronic disease and poverty.
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bring SW WA stories of the need for increased reimbursement for the Medicaid pediatric population. The current funding is not permanent and continued advocacy will be critical.

- Ban discrimination based on a renter’s source of income. Pass HB 1633 or SB 5407 to close a fair housing loophole that allows landlords to discriminate against tenants who use rental assistance. Passed

- Breakfast After the Bell. HB1508/SB5696/SB6003. The bill would require schools at least 70% poverty to offer breakfast to all students after the bell rings. You know that hungry children can't learn—this bill will go a long way to helping students focus on class and not hunger. Passed. $1.2 million included in House operating budget for a grant program at Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction to implement the program.

- Community Health Workers. HB 2436 The bill would provide a definition of community health works (CHW’s) and their roles. These recommendations come from Community Health Worker task force convened in 2015. This bill did not move to committee during session but there is $150,000 in house supplemental operating budget to support the Washington State Department of Health to implement the 2016 CHW taskforce education and training recommendations.

Local Policy Agenda:

- Support Safe Routes to School - aims to create safe, convenient, and fun opportunities for children to bicycle and walk to and from schools. The goal is to reverse the decline in children walking and bicycling to schools, increase kids' safety and reverse the alarming nationwide trend toward childhood obesity and inactivity. School Policy change to support Safe Routes to School efforts.

- Support the adoption of complete streets ordinances meeting the needs of all users – Counties and Cities – A County wide complete streets ordinance passed the Clark County Planning Commission in mid May. HLC and HLC partners advocated for this. The ordinance will go before the County Councilors in December and HLC plans to advocate for this.

- Support each county, cities, parks and board of health efforts to enact an ordinance that prohibits the use of vaping devices in any place where smoking is prohibited

- Supported City of Vancouver in the development of a new day shelter in Central Vancouver. HLC provided a letter of support and CHWs attended community meetings. The Day Shelter continues to move forward.

- Watching housing and homeless related issues:
  - City of Longview development regulation: Intended to encourage development of new housing but need to watch for unintended consequences around poor design, construction and planning
Human Services Facility Siting Ordinance: City of Vancouver has an ordinance that regulates the placement of certain human services facilities including requiring minimum separation from other human services facilities. City staff have identified concerns which may discriminate against a sector of the community because of their economic status. City is seeking alternative approaches. Human Service Ordinance is being repealed and new zoning changes are being considered. HLC provided a letter highlighting some issues with the new potential zoning changes.

### IMPACT AREA: BRIDGE BETWEEN DIVERSE ORGANIZATIONS & COMMUNITIES

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<td>Healthcare Delivery: Work with partners to increase engagement of non-physicians in hypertension and diabetes prevention and management.</td>
<td>• CHW Coordinator and CHAPS Coordinating Committee member are maintaining involvement with Healthy Gen’s Integration Pilot and with Seamor and Free Clinic CHWs to support workforce development and shared learning in SW Washington. The CHW Coordinator and a representative from CHAPS will attend the last learning collaborative in late June. &lt;br&gt;• Integrated quality monitoring was included into Free Clinic of SW WA 3-Year Strategic Plan. &lt;br&gt;• Free Clinic of SW WA is supporting three Free Clinics in completing an evaluation of quality data tracking. The Free Clinic if SW WA provided instruction for free clinic managers on process to determine quality indicators, create a data tracking system and initiate quarterly chart reviews by volunteer physicians and dentists.</td>
<td>Increase in knowledge of and use of CHWs and pharmacists being engaged in diabetes and hypertension prevention and management.</td>
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<td>Healthy Environments: Work with partners to implement worksite wellness, healthy local foods, and safe walkable communities.</td>
<td>• Cowlitz County Health and Human Services (CCHHS) continue to support HOSWAA (Housing Options of SW WA) to promote a culture of wellness at their worksite.  &lt;br&gt;• Cowlitz County Health and Human Services (CCHHS) has enrolled two new HealthLinks clients: Foster Farms and Columbia Wellness. They are both interested in healthy food and beverage choices. &lt;br&gt;• Clark County Public Health (CCPH) continues to partner with the City and Clark County to support the adoption of the Complete Streets ordinance. &lt;br&gt;• CCPH presented at the Greater Vancouver Chamber of Commerce on nutrition in the workplace. CCPH promoted the worksite wellness resources and sample policy available on their website. CCPH is also collaborating with the Breastfeeding Coalition to present at the Greater Vancouver Chamber of Commerce meeting to promote breastfeeding policy at worksites.</td>
<td>Increased environmental support for people to make healthier lifestyle choices.</td>
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| Workforce Development, Equity, and Policy and Systems Change: Work with partners to implement a pilot project with Education Community Health Advocates (ECHAs) addressing policy and systems barriers to school attendance at McLoughlin Middle School. ECHAs are housed at the Free Clinic but work closely with the McLoughlin Middle School and Vancouver Housing Authority. | • Education Community Health Advocates (ECHAS) have built relationships with multiple community partners and embedded themselves in the school and at Skyline Crest Affordable Housing. They have attended multiple outreach events and trainings with community partners and are doing outreach and social groups in the school to address needs and identify barriers.  
• HLC and ECHAs and partners have worked with evaluators to identify a common message and vision for the project, create a workplan, identify initial priorities for ECHAs and partners in their collective and individual policy and system change work.  
• ECHAs have been embedded in the school to work with students to identify barriers to school attendance.  
• ECHAs have been working with school-related groups to build relationships to develop trust and learn how other system programs address barriers to student attendance.  
• ECHAs worked with student cohorts over a period of 12 weeks to engage in conversations to identify barriers and solutions to student attendance issues.  
• ECHAs have collected survey information from students and staff on barriers to student attendance.  
• ECHAs have been working on a community map to identify resources, supports and programs to provide support to students with chronic school attendance barriers through advocacy and improved service provision.  
• ECHAs will be working with the Kaiser Permanente Theater group to engage students with summer learning opportunities and create a message to address barriers to school attendance.  
• Over the summer months, students attend the Boys & Girls OK Clubhouse Teen Center. The goal is to continue to stay connect with the students, continue the momentum of attending school, and find ways to connect with parents.  
• Efforts are currently being planned to implement parent engagement activities to address and work with families facing barriers to school attendance in the fall.  
• ECHAs have been asked by our VHA partners to serve as advisors to the board responsible for overseeing the new Bridgeview Community Center- an exciting new resource center that will be located in the Skyline Crest Community close to McLoughlin Middle School.  

All children are supported to academically achieve. |
| Lifestyle Change Programs: Work with partners to expand Diabetes Prevention Program; train CHWs in hypertension, diabetes; and home blood pressure monitoring; and ensure our referral systems are robust. | • Lifestyle coaches and training was identified as a need for the statewide Diabetes Network Leadership Team. Amy Cooley with WSU Extension was accepted into, attended and graduated from the Master Training Program for the Diabetes Prevention Program at Emory.  
• 211Info continues to do outreach to ensure that lifestyle change supports are listed in their database. They continue to offer site-based training on their services and support a number of community efforts.  

Sustainable lifestyle change programs and supports are available, accessible, and widely known. |
- 211info began implementation of the follow-up protocol when referrals are made to lifestyle change programs.
- HLC is providing funds through 1422 to support community care coordination efforts at Southwest Washington Accountable Community of Health and Cascade Pacific Action Alliance.