

3:30-5:00 pm (May CAC virtual)

Meeting at 3:30, welcomed guests, and members approved the April meeting minutes.

**IA Update:**

COVID data update for Columbia County, Oregon is firmly in the middle of the “4th Surge” of the Pandemic. Hospitalized patients are younger and fewer underlying health conditions. Columbia County risk status continues to be under the Extreme. All Oregonians over age 16 are now eligible for the vaccine, and 12-15-year-olds will likely be next in the coming weeks. There is a new Emergency Broadband Benefit available to folks on Medicaid. Emergency Broadband Benefit Program is a Federal Communications Commission (FCC) program that provides a temporary monthly discount. If eligible, you can receive: Up to a \$50/month discount on your broadband service and associated equipment rentals, Up to a \$75/month discount if your household is on qualifying Tribal lands, a one-time discount of up to \$100 for a laptop, tablet, or desktop computer (with a copayment of more than \$10 but less than \$50) Only one monthly service discount and one device discount is allowed per household.

**Annual Community Health Improvement Plan Update:** Nancy Knopf & Teresa Lavagnino

They provided an update of the CHIP as part of the annual report. They shared the goals, benchmarks, and targets for priority areas as identified in the RHIP. Progress included services and activities toward reaching the metrics or indicators for health priority areas identified in the CHIP. They will continue to seek feedback from CAC members as needed.

**Cultural Responsiveness and Language Access:** Maranda Varsik

She presented a brief reviewed on how we are missing the mark on language accessibility for members who speak other languages. The presentation showed some data and some scenarios based on real encounter in our network. CCO is reviewing data and needing the support from community partners to move forward and work together on resolutions towards justice, equity, diversity and inclusion .

**Other Updates: no updates**

**Next meeting:** June7, 2021

Meeting adjourned at 5:00.