

**Dr. Robert Bree Collaborative Meeting Minutes**  
**March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021 | 12:30-2:30**  
**Held Virtually**

**Members Present**

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Hugh Straley, MD, Bree Collaborative (Chair)	Kimberly Moore, MD, Franciscan Health System
Susie Dade, MS, Patient Representative	Drew Oliveira, MD, Regence
DC Dugdale, MD, MS, University of Washington School of Medicine	Mark Haugen, MD, Physician, Walla Walla Clinic
Gary Franklin, MD, Washington State Department of Labor and Industries	Susane Quistgaard, MD, Premera Blue Cross
Stuart Freed, MD, Confluence Health	Kevin Pieper, MD, MHA, Kadlec Regional Medical Center
Richard Goss, MD, Harborview Medical Center	Karen Johnson, PhD, Washington Health Alliance
Norifumi Kamo, MD, MPP, Virginia Mason Medical Center	Carl Olden, MD, Pacific Crest Family Medicine
Darcy Jaffe, MN, ARNP, NE-BC, FACHE, Washington State Hospital Association	John Robinson, MD, SM, First Choice Health
Rick Ludwig, MD, Providence Health Accountable Care	Jeanne Rupert, DO, PhD, The Everett Clinic
Greg Marchand, The Boeing Company	Angie Sparks, MD, Kaiser Permanente
	Shawn West, MD, Embright
	Laura Kate Zaichkin, MPH, SEIU 775 Benefits Group
	Judy Zerzan, MD, MPH, Washington State Health Care Authority

**Members Absent**

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Mary Kay O'Neill, MD, MBA, Mercer	Dan Kent, MD, United Health Care
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**Staff and Members of the Public**

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Lydia Bartholomew, MD, Aetna	Emily Horsley
Jackie Barry, APTA Washington (a chapter of the American Physical Therapy Association)	Bob Marsalli, Washington Association
Tiffany Buck	Molly McHugh
Tricia Daniel, RN, CCM, WWCP, NurseWorks NW, WSIA Medical Rep	Robert Mecklenburg, MD
Billie Dickinson, Washington State Medical Association	Brian Mendelsberg, Humana Insurance
Amy Etzel, Bree Collaborative	Steve Overman, MD
Amy Florence, Premera	Laura Pennington, Health Care Authority
Jason Fodeman, MD, Labor and Industries	Kelly Sanders
Mary Franzen	Monica Salgaonkar, MHA, Washington State Medical Association
Toni Konkol, Humana	Jeff Sconyers, JD, University of Washington
Julie-Marie L	Terri Smith-Weller
Alice Lind, Health Care Authority	Kristalene Stormer, Department of Health
Nick Locke, MPH, Bree Collaborative	Emily Transue, MD, MHA, Health Care Authority
Leah Hole-Marshall, JD, Washington Health Benefit Exchange	Diana Vinh, Kaiser Permanente
	Ginny Weir, MPH, Bree Collaborative
	David Wilson
	Dayna Weatherly-Wilson

All meeting materials are posted on the Bree Collaborative's website, [here](#), under previous meetings.

## **CHAIR REPORT, APPROVAL OF MINUTES, COMMUNITY UPDATES**

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Hugh Straley, MD, opened the meeting and all present introduced themselves.

*Motion:* Approve the January 27<sup>th</sup>, 2021 Meeting Minutes

*Outcome:* Passed with unanimous support

Nick Locke, MPH, Bree Collaborative gave the group an update on social determinants of health (SDoH) guidelines including gaps and capacities within the health care system, data including race/ethnicity/language (REL), and the role of all of the stakeholders. Workgroup members discussed how much resource is available for those in need (e.g., housing, food), the impact of racism on health, the role of our delivery systems and governmental entities, the role of purchasers in impacting SDoH and their enthusiasm to do so, REL data responsibilities and opportunities for health plans, and SDoH screening within delivery systems.

Judy Zerzan, MD, MPH, Washington State Health Care Authority gave an update on the ongoing work to align primary care payment and data collection. Primary care summits will continue through 2021 and into 2022 and will involve purchasers, providers, and payers. Goal is to have a plan in place by late summer to prepare for any legislative ask(s) and to align with other value-based payment initiatives.

### **IMPLEMENTATION UPDATE**

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Amy Etzel, Bree Collaborative, gave an update on the implementation initiatives including on community webinars (i.e., recovery housing) and future webinars (i.e., interoperability, colorectal cancer, clinician wellness and suicide) and the pilot group not wanting to compete with pandemic response and vaccine efforts. Pilot teams have selected opioid use disorder and collaborative safety planning. Ms. Etzel reviewed the Bree Collaborative's website resource library and available tools and her work to network with partners.

### **TOPIC UPDATE: TOTAL JOINT REPLACEMENT BUNDLE**

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Bob Mecklenburg, MD, presented the total joint replacement bundle re-review including cycles I and II. The workgroup has had in-depth discussions of shared decision making and requirements related to patient safety and have made changes to language around pre-surgical tests (appropriateness) and to the care partner and administratively. Changes have come from newly published literature and from learnings of administrative adoption. Members discussed wanting to reference Health Technology Assessment Program non-coverage policies where relevant.

### **TOPIC UPDATE: CERVICAL CANCER SCREENING**

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Laura Kate Zaichkin, MPH, SEIU 775 presented on the progress of the cervical cancer screening workgroup with the goal to reduce mortality for the population that does not come in for screening and the population that needs follow-up from an abnormal screen. Cervical cancer is unique in having a vaccine to prevent the most prevalent cause (HPV). Ms. Zaichkin discussed using the language and work of the colorectal cancer screening and reproductive and sexual health. Members discussed the need for cervical cancer screening as people are still dying from this.

### **TOPIC UPDATE: OPIOID PRESCRIBING FOR OLDER ADULTS**

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Gary Franklin, MD, Washington State Department of Labor and Industries and Darcy Jaffe, MN, ARNP, NE-BC, FACHE, Washington State Hospital Association, updated members on the discussion of opioid prescribing for older adults including members and the six focus areas including the lack of specific studies for the impact on older adults. Ms. Jaffe reviewed the research on acute prescribing in older populations including difficulty in finding research specific to age groups and the draft language for providers and systems. Members discussed the importance of focusing on legacy patients, those who have been prescribed long-term opioids by other providers then come to a new provider for care and building from the previous guidelines with an emphasis on how older adults are different.

### **TOPIC UPDATE: TELEHEALTH**

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Shawn West, MD, presented on the progress of the Telehealth workgroup including watching the audio-only Telehealth bill (HB 1196), draft framework of appropriate service, appreciate characteristics of the person, person-centered interactions, and measurement and follow-up. Dr. West discussed how to define appropriateness such as services that are clearly appropriate or clearly inappropriate with a move to the middle and for whom Telehealth is appropriate such as aligning with patient preference, broadband, and equity. Members discussed audio-only Telehealth including around equity of quality such as work in California to cross the digital divide (e.g., allowing audio-only for the next three years while building high-speed internet).

### **NEXT STEPS AND CLOSING COMMENTS**

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Dr. Straley thanked those present and closed the meeting.

**Next Bree Collaborative Meeting:** May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2021 | 12:30 – 2:30 | Zoom