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**Dr. Robert Bree Collaborative Meeting Minutes**  
**September 22, 2021 | 12:30-2:30**  
**Held Virtually**

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**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 Care Medical Center	Carl Olden, MD, Pacific Crest Family Medicine
Jason Fodeman, MD, (for Gary Franklin, MD) Washington State Department of Labor and Industries	Mary Kay O’Neill, MD, MBA, Mercer
Stuart Freed, MD, Confluence Health	Susane Quistgaard, MD, Premera Blue Cross
Norifumi Kamo, MD, MPP, Common Spirit	John Robinson, MD, SM, First Choice Health
Rick Ludwig, MD, Providence Health	Jeanne Rupert, DO, PhD, The Everett Clinic
Karen Johnson, PhD, Washington Health Alliance	Shawn West, MD, Embright
Mark Haugen, MD, Physician, Walla Walla Clinic	Laura Kate Zaichkin, MPH, SEIU 775 Benefits Group
	Judy Zerzan-Thul, MD, MPH, Washington State Health Care Authority

**Members Absent**

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Dan Kent, MD, United Health Care	Kevin Pieper, MD, MHA, Kadlec Regional Medical Center
Darcy Jaffe, MN, ARNP, NE-BC, FACHE, Washington State Hospital Association	Angie Sparks, MD, Kaiser Permanente
Greg Marchand, The Boeing Company	

**Staff and Members of the Public**

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Jackie Barry, APTA Washington	Steve Overman, MD
Amy Etzel, Bree Collaborative	Kim Wallace, Labor and Industries
Amy Florence, Premera	Ginny Weir, MPH, Foundation for Health Care Quality
Nick Locke, MPH, Bree Collaborative	
Robert Mecklenburg, MD	

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

**CHAIR REPORT, APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

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Hugh Straley opened the meeting.

*Motion:* Approve the July 28, 2021 Meeting Minutes

*Outcome:* Passed with unanimous support

## **FINAL ADOPTION: TELEHEALTH REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

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Shawn West, MD, Embright, workgroup chair outlined the members and process to develop the telehealth recommendations. Dr. West outlined clinical components of person-centered interactions, reinforcing continuity of care, measurement and follow-up especially around disparities of care, and defining appropriateness. Members discussed the decision to focus on physical health care services rather than behavioral health, evidence brought on by the move to virtual health due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

*Motion:* Adopt Telehealth Report and Recommendations.

*Outcome:* Passed with unanimous support.

## **DISSEMINATION FOR PUBLIC COMMENT: TOTAL KNEE AND TOTAL HIP REPLACEMENT**

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Bob Mecklenburg, MD, workgroup chair, presented on the third iteration of the bundle, thanking members, the process, and the evidence table development with 200 citations. Changes from the 2017 edition include within: personal care partner, social determinants of health (particularly transportation needs), infection control, surgical implants (particularly those that deviate from the average in failure or safety to the detriment of the patient), and same-day discharge (within 24 hours of surgery). Members discussed vaccine mandates and the impact on patient care, physicians disclosing their conflicts, use of anticoagulants, and whether patients must also be vaccinated against COVID-19.

*Motion:* Disseminate Total Knee and Total Hip Replacement Bundle for public comment.

*Outcome:* Passed with unanimous support.

## **DISCUSSION: NEW TOPICS**

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Ginny Weir, MPH, Foundation for Health Care Quality opened the discussion with acknowledging COVID-19 as the third leading cause of health after heart disease and cancer, thanking Karen Johnson for her time as a Bree member, and broke members and those who are members of the public into breakout rooms to discuss past topics, successes and false starts. In breakout groups those present discussed: purchasing and contracts like the bundles, interest in collaborative care, interoperability and defining what it means as CMIOs meet informally monthly, and an interest in both healthy weight management and Hep C. Members discussed wanting to have a standard mechanism to discuss and contract for equitable healthcare, that adverse childhood experiences are certainly impactful but difficult to know how to integrate into a contract. Members participated in a series of straw votes and discussed pros and cons of the topics.

*Motion:* To work on for 2022

- Infection control
- Hepatitis C
- Pediatric asthma
- Low back pain

*Outcome:* Passed by majority vote.

## **NEXT STEPS AND CLOSING COMMENTS**

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Dr. Straley thanked those present and closed the meeting.

**Next Bree Collaborative Meeting:** November 17<sup>th</sup>, 2021 | 12:30 – 2:30 | Zoom