Welcome and Introductions
  • Adopt November Meeting Minutes

**Topic Update:** Opioid Prescribing in Older Adults

**New Topic Update:** Infection Control
  • Adopt Charter and Roster

**New Topic Update:** Hepatitis C
  • Adopt Charter and Roster

**New Topic Update:** Pediatric Asthma
  • Adopt Charter and Roster

**Discussions:** Social Need and Health Equity, COVID-19

Next Steps and Close
November 17 Meeting Minutes

Dr. Robert Bree Collaborative Meeting Minutes
November 17th, 2021 | 12:30-2:30
Held Virtually

Members Present
Hugh Straley, MD, Bree Collaborative (Chair)
Susie Dade, MS, Patient Representative
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Stuart Freed, MD, Confluence Health
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Norifumi Kamo, MD, MPP, Virginia Mason Franciscan Medical Center
Carl Olden, MD, Pacific Crest Family Medicine
Rick Ludwig, MD, Providence Health
Greg Marchand, The Boeing Company
Kimberly Moore, MD, Franciscan Health System
Drew Oliveira, MD, Regence
Susane Quistgaard, MD, Premera Blue Cross
John Robinson, MD, SM, First Choice Health
Angie Sparks, MD, Kaiser Permanente
Shawn West, MD, Embright
Judy Zerzan, MD, MPH, Washington State Health Care Authority
Topic Update: Opioid Prescribing for Older Adults
Workgroup Members

- Gary Franklin, MD, MPH (Co-chair), Washington State Department of Labor and Industries
- Darcy Jaffe, MN, ARNP, NE-BC, FACHE (Co-chair), Washington State Hospital Association
- Mark Sullivan, MD, PhD (Co-chair), University of Washington
- Judy Zerzan-Thul, MD, MPH (Co-chair), Washington State Health Care Authority
- Carla Ainsworth, MD, MPH, Iora Primary Care - Central District
- Denise Boudreau, PhD, RPh, MS, Kaiser Permanente Washington Health Research Institute
- Siobhan Brown, MPH, CPH, CHES, Community Health Plan of Washington
- Rose Bingham, Patient Advocate
- Pam Davies, MS, ARNP, FAANP, University of Washington / Seattle Pacific University
- Elizabeth Eckstrom, MD, Oregon Health Sciences University
- James Floyd, MD, University of Washington School of Medicine
- Nancy Fisher, MD, Ex Officio
- Jason Fodeman, MD, Washington State Department of Labor and Industries
- Debra Gordon, RN, DNP, FAAN, University of Washington School of Medicine
- Shelly Gray, PharmD, University of Washington
- Clarissa Hsu, PhD, Kaiser Permanente Washington Research Institute
- Michael Parchman, MD, Kaiser Permanente Washington Research Institute
- Jaymie Mai, PharmD, Washington State Department of Labor and Industries
- Wayne McCormick, MD, University of Washington
- Kushang Patel, MD, University of Washington
- Elizabeth Phelan, MD, University of Washington
- Yusuf Rashid, RPh, Community Health Plan of Washington
- Dawn Shuford-Pavlich, Department of Social and Health Services
- Steven Stanos, DO, Swedish
- Angela Sparks, MD, Kaiser Permanente Washington
- Gina Wolf, DC, Wolf Chiropractic Clinic
Timeline

- Jan: Charter and scope defined
- Mar: Acute prescribing I
- Apr: Acute prescribing II
- May: Co-prescribing with opioids
- Jun: Non-pharmacologic pain management I
- July: Non-pharmacologic pain management II & Co-prescribing with opioids review
- Aug: Non-pharmacologic pain management
- Sept: Non-opioid pharmacologic pain management
- Oct: Non-pharmacologic pain management
- Dec: Tapering
- Jan: Medication review & Intermittent use
- Feb: Review draft guideline recommendations
- Mar: Public comment
Mapping Focus Areas to Objectives

Focus Areas
✓ Acute prescribing
✓ Co-prescribing with opioids
✓ Non-opioid pharmacologic pain management
✓ Non-pharmacologic pain management
✓ Tapering and de-prescribing
✓ Intermittent use
✓ Medication therapy management

Goals
✓ Prevent transition to chronic prescribing
✓ Reduce impact on cognition, falls, delirium
✓ Outline/compare risks and benefits
✓ Reduce use of long-acting opioids and chronic opioid therapy
Tapering/Deprescribing

Taper of LTOT is possible but holds risks related to:

1. How quickly the dose is reduced
2. Who is being selected for taper

Taper should be supported, gradual and as patient-centered as possible

Draft Recommendations

- Take time to develop patient buy-in
- Offer behavioral health support and non-pharmacologic pain treatment early in taper plan
- Connect patient with peer-to-peer support

2020 Bree Opioid Prescribing: Long-Term Opioid Therapy Report and Recommendations
Medication Therapy Management (MTM) must be included in Medicare Part D plans, but the interventions are not always implemented consistently.

Draft Recommendations

- When possible, plan’s MTM should involve pharmacists who have an established relationship with the patient.
- Facilitate integration of MTM service elements into providers’ EHRs.
- Plan’s MTM should address opioid safety and management for all eligible Medicare beneficiaries.
Intermittent use that is greater than de minimis use appears to have a similar risk profile to chronic daily use.

**Draft Recommendations**

- Consider intermittent use in select situations only if it improves physical and social function.
- Prescribe low dose and limit to once or twice weekly.
- Re-evaluate frequently for opioid-related adverse effects (e.g., falls, sedation).
Summary

- There is little high-grade evidence on opioid prescribing/use specific to advancing age by decade of life
  - ~6% opioid naïve adults ≥ 65 transitioned to chronic opioid use
- Approaches to opioid prescribing and pain management should be focused on function and safety
- Start low, go slow and “stop soon”
- Key recommendations:
  - Make use of non-pharmacologic pain management modalities
  - Individual care plans
  - Perform comprehensive medication review
  - Coordinate care
  - Use pharmacists in multidisciplinary teams
THANK YOU!

Questions or Comments?
New Topic: Outpatient Infection Control
Background

• The past several decades have seen a significant shift in healthcare delivery from inpatient to outpatient settings, yet outpatient settings often lack the infrastructure or resources to support infection prevention and surveillance activities.

• The COVID-19 pandemic has demonstrated the need for infection control measures, with over 800,000 Washingtonians infected with COVID-19 by December 2021.

• Additional infection control policies implemented during the COVID-19 pandemic, such as physical distancing and masking, have proven useful in disrupting the circulation of other respirator viruses and infectious disease.

3 Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. (July 2021) Changes in Influenza and Other Respiratory Virus Activity During the COVID-19 Pandemic. https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/70/wr/mm7029a1.htm
Members

- **Chair:** Mark Haugen, MD, Walla Walla Clinic & Surgical Center
- Rhonda Bowen, CIC, CPPS, CPHQ, CPHRM, Comagine Health
- Lisa Hannah, CIC, Washington State Department of Health
- Stephanie Jaross, BSN, RN, Proliance Center for Outpatient Spine and Joint Surgery
- Lisa Waldowski, DNP, CIC, Kaiser Permanente Washington
- Faiza Zafar, DO, FACOI, Community Health Plan of Washington
Aim

To standardize infection control practices in the outpatient setting to mitigate the spread of prevalent infectious diseases.
Purpose

To propose evidence-based recommendations to the full Bree Collaborative on:

- Transmission-based protocols, sterilization and disinfectant protocols
- Surveillance of infectious disease transmissibility
- Developing clinical workflows for high-risk/crisis situations
- Partnering with patients to provide education about disease risk
- Engaging community leaders to mitigate community spread
- Benefit designs and incentives to help encourage behavior change
- Applying existing infection control guidelines to the varied resources of outpatient settings.
Recommendation

Adopt Charter
New Topic: Hepatitis C
Background

- Hepatitis C virus (HC) is the most common chronic blood-borne pathogen in the United States and a leading cause of complications from chronic liver disease.
- In 2018, an estimated 59,100 Washingtonians were living with HCV, prompting Governor Inslee to issue Directive of the Governor 18-13: “Eliminating Hepatitis C in Washington by 2030 through combined public health efforts and a new medication purchasing approach.”
- While an estimated 88% of HCV infections are properly diagnosed, only about 12% of patients with HCV receive treatment due to barriers to treatment access.

Members

- Yumi Ando, MD, Kaiser Permanente
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- Tony Stupski, MD, SeaMar
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- Wendy Wong, PharmD, Providence
To increase evidence-informed screening, monitoring, and access to treatment for Hepatitis C virus (HCV) to reduce the burden of HCV in Washington state.
Purpose

To propose evidence-based recommendations to the full Bree Collaborative on:

- Monitoring HCV prevalence and treatment
- Access to patient-centered preventative and screening services for HCV
- Improving clinical workflows to diagnose and treat HCV
- Improving equitable access to HCV treatment and intervention services
- Identifying and engaging underserved patients with HCV
- Training and incentivizing primary care providers to treat HCV
- Increasing HCV awareness, education, and reducing stigma
- Developing reimbursement models to reach patients with HCV in outside of traditional delivery systems
Recommendation

Adopt Charter
New Topic:
Pediatric Asthma
Asthma is the most common chronic disease among children

- Nearly 120,000 children have been diagnosed with asthma in Washington, accounting for between 8 – 11% of children in middle and high school.
- Additionally, in Washington State there are about 5,000 hospitalizations and 100 deaths due to asthma annually.
- Asthma cannot be cured, but can be effectively managed.


Members

- Brad Kramer, MPA, Public Health, Seattle & King County
- Dave Ricker, MD, FAAP, MultiCare
- Doreen Kiss, MD, University of Washington
- Edith Shreckengast, MS, Community Health Plan of Washington
- Kate Hastings, Scientific Consulting Group
- Katie Paul, MD, MPH, Kaiser Permanente
- LuAnn Chen, MD, MHA, Community Health Plan of Washington
- Mark LaShell, MD, Kaiser Permanente
- Michael Dudas, MD, Virginia Mason Medical Center
- Sheryl Morelli, MD, MS, Seattle Children’s Care Network
To increase evidence-informed prevention, screening, diagnosis, monitoring, and treatment for pediatric asthma to reduce the burden of disease in Washington state.
To propose evidence-based recommendations to the full Bree Collaborative on:

- Preventing new asthma cases
- Appropriately diagnosing asthma and defining medically high-risk asthma
- Improving access to and implementation of treatment protocols
- Developing metrics for medication compliance and treatment process
- Partnering with patients to ensure medication compliance and educate families
- Engaging community support and broader public health programs
- Addressing home, school, and community environment
- Disseminating and informing clinicians of ongoing evidence-based guidelines
Recommendation

Adopt Charter
Update and Discussion: Social Needs and Health Equity
Discussion: COVID-19 Impact and Resources
2021 Framework for Action Webinar Series

From Impossible to Implementation: Mobilizing Collective Action Around Social Determinants of Health
January 21, 2021 | 11:00 am - 12:30 PM

Aligning Quality Measures: *Can We Measure What Matters More Efficiently?*
Thursday July 15, 2021
11:00 am - 12:30 pm PT

Interoperability: Removing Barriers to Value-Based Success
(Why Don’t We All Talk to Each Other?!) April 15, 2021
10:00 am - 11:30 am PT

Falling Into Place: Aligning Payer Strategies for Population Health
Thursday October 14, 2021
10:00 am - 11:30 am PT
WEBINAR
Addressing Social Need to Build Competent Care Systems
Value-Based Care Change in Action Webinar Series
January 27, 2022 | 10:00 – 11:30am
Our 2021 Social Needs Guideline Framework

**Plan**
- Embed diversity, equity, and inclusion into organizational principles
- Level-setting/buy-in
- Annual implicit bias training for all staff and board members
- Collaborate with patients and staff on pilot planning and workflow

**Identify**
- Universal FHIR-defined screening with validated tool(s) for:
  - Race
  - Housing security
  - Food security
  - Transportation need
  - Other high priority domain(s)

**Track and Measure**
- Integrate SDoH into existing disease or diagnosis registry or develop new registry
- Use FHIR-defined resources and bill using z-codes
- Stratify population by social need(s) into ≥2 tiers
- Stratify process, patient-reported outcomes, and health outcomes by race categories

**Follow-Up**
- Resource lists for low-risk patients
- Case management for higher-risk patients
- Closed loop referrals
- Plan-Do-Study-Act where disparity is identified

**Incentivize and Invest**
- Reimbursement mechanisms supporting above pathway aligned with value-based payment
- Interoperable community information exchanges, learning collaboratives, and social care integration
- Organizing body to align state-wide stakeholders
2022 Next Steps

**Ongoing Coalition**
- Aggregate emerging best practices from national and local organizations
- Synthesize national best practices to be meaningful to our region
- Disseminate findings to stakeholders

**Data Registry**
- Collect standard SDOH and race data
- Analyze and benchmark data to inform broad learning community and to demonstrate value
- Target gaps for quality improvement

**Systems Transformation**
- Facilitate public-private partnerships
- Develop resources and support for local SDOH pilot projects
- Partner with community-based organizations to expand capacity

- Monthly workgroup meetings through 2022
Partnership with Comagine Health

- Identifying a gap in defining health equity
- Convening to map current state – environmental scan
- Continuing to iterate next steps
Discussion: COVID-19 Impact and Resources
Next Bree Collaborative Meeting
Wed, March 23rd, 1:00 - 3:00 PM