

Oregon Youth Addiction Alliance

Subcommittee Meeting Agenda

March 13, 2025 4:00 -6:00 PM

Meeting link: <https://zoom.us/j/92479393540?pwd=yd4R7Sm6JjMW0P22hRaazB8NOoUFED.1>

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#	Item	Time	Presenter
1	Welcome and Icebreaker	4:00 - 4:15	Kamryn Berk
2	Recovery Housing Brainstorm	4:15 - 5:00	Kaleb Gambee Kamryn Berk Jummy Akinyode
3	Break	5:00 - 5:05	Jummy Akinyode
4	Breakout Groups - School - Youth and Family Spaces	5:05 - 5:35	Kamryn Berk
5	Breakout Group Share out	5:35 - 5:50	Kaleb Gambee
6	Public Comment	5:50 - 5:55	Jummy Akinyode
7	Reflection and Closing	5:55 -6:00	Kamryn Berk Kaleb Gambee

OYAA Full Committee Meeting Notes: Friday 2/28/25

Members: Annette Majekodunmi, Araceli Granados, Ashlie Kangas, Erica Fuller, Giovanni Dillanes, Kaleb Gambee, Kamryn Berk, Madison Dunn, Michael Liang, Miranda Steward, and Tony Vezina

Absent: Kati Jokinen, Kayla Lara-Ryall, Vanessa Nordyke

Non-Members: Shaunte Duron, Wes Rivers, Jummy Akinyode, Joyleen Carter, Rick Martinez, Kati Jokinen, Adam Peterson, Patti Zavala, Betsy Boyd-Flynn, Brown Jennifer D, Clemo Katherine, Condon Stephanie, Doig Mitch Andrew, Dolph Annaliese, Haynes Molly, Huston Gregory J, Jessie Eagan, Stefanie Murray, Anna K. Williams, Lindsay Reeves, and Tym Rourke

Key Takeaways

- The group refined challenge statements for various buckets, focusing on criminalization, juvenile justice, and carceral settings
- Participants emphasized the importance of a continuum of care approach, addressing prevention, treatment, and long-term support
- Youth members provided valuable insights on personal experiences with the legal system and substance use treatment
- Upcoming legislative hearing on March 12th for House Bill 2502, based on OYAA's preliminary recommendations
- Next Steps
- Finalize challenge statement for criminalization and carceral settings bucket see MURAL NOTES
- Prepare for March 12th legislative hearing on House Bill 2502
- Attend next work group meeting on March 28th (moved from usual Friday to Thursday)

Summary By Topics

Challenge Statement Refinement

- Merged "stigma and carceral settings" bucket with "juvenile justice"
- Expanded focus to include youth aged 18-25 in carceral settings
- Discussed renaming "juvenile justice" to better reflect the group's goals (e.g., "juvenile legal system" or "criminalization and carceral settings")
- Emphasized need for immediate access to full continuum of co-occurring behavioral

health care in all carceral settings

Youth Perspectives on Legal System and Treatment

- Shared experiences of feeling judged rather than supported when seeking help
- Highlighted lack of resources and support during transition out of carceral settings
- Stressed importance of addressing underlying trauma and mental health issues, not just behavioral symptoms
- Noted challenges of returning to environments that contributed to initial substance use after release

Continuum of Care Approach

- Emphasized need for prevention, intervention, and treatment to reduce criminal justice involvement
- Discussed importance of ongoing support and resources post-release, including job search and financial assistance
- Proposed idea of recovery mentors to support individuals throughout their journey, including transition periods

Legislative Testimony Preparation

- House Bill 2502 hearing scheduled for March 12th at 5 PM in Salem Capitol
- Multiple ways to testify: written, in-person, or virtual via Teams meeting
- Resources available for testimony preparation, including support from Oregon School-Based Health Alliance
- Training on youth advocacy available through SOCAC and NAMI partnership

Chronological Summary

Meeting overview and group agreements @ 0:00 - Kaleb Gambee provided an overview of the meeting agenda, which included reviewing group agreements, icebreakers, updates on the work group structure, and discussion of challenge statements. The group agreements were reviewed, emphasizing principles like respecting diverse perspectives, avoiding problem-solving for individual situations, and honoring those with quieter voices.

Icebreaker: What animal would you be? @ 16:47 - The group participated in an icebreaker where they shared what animal they would be and why. Responses included a panda bear, tiger, cat, dolphin, bird, alligator, lion, and elephant.

Restructuring of work group buckets @ 25:31 - The leadership team announced that the

"stigma and carceral settings" bucket would be removed, with stigma becoming an overarching theme. The "juvenile justice" bucket would be expanded to "criminalization, juvenile justice, and other carceral settings" to better encompass the 18-25 age range.

Review and refinement of challenge statements @ 30:46 - The group reviewed and provided feedback on draft challenge statements for the "mental health and co-occurring disorders", "peer support", and "treatment and recovery options" buckets. Key themes included ensuring access to a full continuum of care, addressing financial and geographic barriers, and the need for culturally-specific services.

Challenges in the criminal justice system @ 1:06:27 - The group discussed challenges faced by youth and young adults involved in the criminal justice system, including lack of access to treatment, the pipeline from untreated substance use disorders to incarceration, and the need for support during and after incarceration. The group agreed to rename the "juvenile justice" bucket to better reflect these issues.

Upcoming meeting and legislative updates @ 1:52:21 - Kamryn Berk provided an overview of the next meeting, which will be moved to Thursday due to a legislative hearing on a bill related to the group's work. Wes Rivers shared details on the upcoming hearing and resources available to support youth in providing testimony.