



# Oregon

Tina Kotek, Governor

**Meeting name:** Behavioral Health Talent Council

**Date:** September 25th, 2025

**Time:** 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM

**Location:** Virtual Zoom Meeting

## Facilitators

First Lady Aimee Kotek Wilson (Chair)  
Julie Ibrahim (Vice-Chair)  
Eli Kinsley (Vice-Chair)  
Robin Sansing (Vice-Chair)

### Governor's Office

Taylor Smiley Wolfe  
Amy Baker  
Kenneth (KC) LeDell  
Sarah Means  
Chad Albright

## Attendees

Van Burnham  
Clarissa Carson  
Ebony Clarke  
Dr. Alice Gates  
Janie Gullickson  
Julia Mines  
Shyra Merila  
Liz O'Connor  
Mary Peterson  
Monica Vines

Tammi Paul  
Rachel Prusak  
Julia Pontoni  
Rick Treleaven  
Jamie Vandergon  
Sean Roberts (Delegate)  
Bethany M. Wallace  
Summer Wolcott  
Todd Younkin

## Agenda – Substance Use Disorder and Process Addiction Treatment Best Practices

### Kick off – First Lady Aimee Kotek Wilson (Chair):

5 minutes

*Outcome: Shared Understanding of meeting goals and outcomes.*

- Welcome
- Meeting outlook
- Agenda overview

### Substance Use Disorder and Process Addiction Treatment Landscape, Amy Baker, Governor's Office

10 minutes

*Outcome: Provide a foundational understanding of Substance Use Disorder and Process Addiction treatment pathways, the universe of addiction care professional types in the behavioral health workforce, HECC talent assessment findings about the shortage of addiction care professionals in Oregon, and the education, training, and licensure requirements of addiction counselors in Oregon.*

### Best Practice Presentations (part 1):

- Eli Kinsley, Director of Operations, Bridgeway Community Health 10 minutes
- Andy Mendenhall, Executive Director, Central City Concern 20 minutes

### BREAK

15 minutes

### Best Practice Presentations (part 2):

- Sommer Wolcott, Executive Director, Continuum Behavioral Health & Recovery Services 20 minutes
- Monica Vines, Program Director, Addiction Counseling and Behavioral Health, Central Oregon Community College 15 minutes

### Discussion

20 minutes

