



COMMUNITY SERVICES, HOUSING, AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT
Kathleen Torella, Director

**SPOKANE COUNTY REGIONAL INTERLOCAL LEADERSHIP STRUCTURE (SCRILS)
MEETING**

September 17, 2021 (2:30 – 4:00 p.m.)
Via Zoom/Conference Call Only (No In-Person Attendance)
Register for Zoom Meeting via Link in Calendar Invite or Email

AGENDA

1. 2:30-2:35 Welcome and Introductions – **Stevens County BoCC, Commissioner Wes McCart**
2. 2:35-3:10 State Updates:
 - a) Governor’s Office – **Amber Leaders (unavailable)**
 - b) Washington State Health Care Authority (HCA) – **Keri Waterland, Michele Wilsie, Jason McGill, Megan Atkinson, and Suzanne Swadener**
 - i) Workforce Shortage and Provider Rates – Continued Discussion from July Meeting
 - (1) How are behavioral health provider agencies’ perspectives and specific funding needs gathered and incorporated into the HCA rate setting process?
 - (2) What is HCA’s plan in the future for ensuring behavioral health provider agencies are funded sufficiently to deal with the increasing operational and staffing recruitment/retention costs to provide services to both Medicaid and eligible non-Medicaid individuals?
 - (3) What is HCA’s plan in the future for ensuring behavioral health provider agencies’ funding is sustainable in the near-term for recovering from the work force shortage as strategies are implemented across the state to address this shortage?
 - (4) How is HCA addressing the Behavioral Health work force shortage crisis in the short-term for providers across the state?
 - ii) HB 1310
 - iii) United Health Care’s Request for Consideration by HCA to Expand Medicaid IMC-BH in Spokane RSA – Protocol (process), Status, Next Steps
3. 3:10-3:40 **Spokane RSA Behavioral Health Providers’ Perspective** on Workforce Shortage, Provider Rates, and IMC-BH Medicaid Expansion in Region (time given to provider representatives and/or their commissioners to give input)
4. 3:40-3:45 SB 5476 and E2SHB 1477 Update on Implementations in the Spokane Regional Service Area – **Justin Johnson, CSHCD SCR BH (ASO)**
5. 3:45-3:50 SCRILS’ current expiration date is 12/01/2021 in accordance with Second Engrossed SHB1388, unless the SCRILS leadership decides locally to continue the SCRILS with its charter and quarterly meetings. SHB1388, Section 4062: [1388-S.PL.pdf \(wa.gov\)](#) – **Justin Johnson, CSHCD SCR BH (ASO)**

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- a) SCRBH (ASO) will send out a SCRILS Survey to all members to obtain feedback on this decision in the next week. Survey feedback will be due by October 18, 2021.

6. 3:50-4:00 Public Comments from Community Stakeholders

7. Next Meeting: Friday, December 3, 2021

Handouts:

0. Agenda

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