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ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

DATE: March 20, 2026
TIME: **10:00 AM – 12:00 PM**
LOCATION: Hybrid – Alderwood Room, Jamestown S’Klallam Tribal Center
1033 Old Blyn Highway, Sequim, WA 98382

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Agenda

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1. Call To Order
2. Announcements/Introductions
3. Opportunity to Address the Board on Agenda Topics (limited to 3 minutes each)
4. Approval of Agenda
5. Approval of SBH-ASO Combined Advisory and Executive Board Meeting Minutes for December 5, 2025 (Attachment 5)
6. Action Items
 - a. Reappointment of Mary Beth Lagenaur
 - b. Recommendation for Appointment of Dioselín Gonzalez
 - c. Regional Navigator Program (R.E.A.L.) RFP Subcommittee
 - d. Block Grant Plans
 - e. Training Recommendations
7. Informational Items
 - a. Collective Action Impact Forum Workshop Discussion
 - b. Advisory Board Training Opportunities Discussion (Attachment 7.b)
8. Opportunity for Public Comment (limited to 3 minutes each)
9. Adjournment



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Acronyms

ACH	Accountable Community of Health	ITA	Involuntary Treatment Act
AOT	Assisted Outpatient Treatment	MAT	Medical Assisted Treatment
ASAM	American Society of Addiction Medicine	MCO	Managed Care Organization
BHA	Behavioral Health Advocate; Behavioral Health Agency	MHBG	Mental Health Block Grant
BHAB	Behavioral Health Advisory Board	MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
BH-ASO	Behavioral Health Administrative Services Organization	OCH	Olympic Community of Health
CAP	Corrective Action Plan	OST	Opiate Substitution Treatment
CMS	Center for Medicaid & Medicare Services (Federal)	OTP	Opiate Treatment Program
CPC	Certified Peer Counselor	PACT	Program of Assertive Community Treatment
CRIS	Crisis Response Improvement Strategy (WA State Work Group)	PATH	Programs to Aid in the Transition from Homelessness
DBHR	Division of Behavioral Health & Recovery	PIHP	Prepaid Inpatient Health Plans
DCR	Designated Crisis Responder	P&P	Policies and Procedures
DCYF	Division of Children, Youth, & Families	QACC	Quality and Compliance Committee
DDA	Developmental Disabilities Administration	RCW	Revised Code Washington
DSHS	Department of Social and Health Services	R.E.A.L.	Recovery. Empowerment. Advocacy. Linkage.
E&T	Evaluation and Treatment Center (i.e., AUI, YIU)	RFP, RFQ	Request for Proposal, Request for Qualifications
EBP	Evidence Based Practice	SUPTRS	Substance Use Prevention Treatment and Recovery Services
FYSPRT	Family, Youth, and System Partner Round Table	SRCL	Salish Regional Crisis Line
HCA	Health Care Authority	SUD	Substance Use Disorder
HCS	Home and Community Services	SYNC	Salish Youth Network Collaborative
HIPAA	Health Insurance Portability & Accountability Act	TEAMonitor	HCA Annual Monitoring of SBH-ASO
HRSA	Health and Rehabilitation Services Administration	UM	Utilization Management
IMC	Integration of Medicaid Services	WAC	Washington Administrative Code
IMD	Institutes for the Mentally Diseased	WM	Withdrawal Management
IS	Information Services	WSH	Western State Hospital, Tacoma



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Action Items

A. REAPPOINTMENT OF MARY BETH LAGENAUR

The current term for Mary Beth Lagenaur ends on April 1, 2026. Mary Beth has expressed interest in volunteering to serve on the Advisory Board for another term.

She has served on the Salish BH-ASO Advisory Board representing Clallam County since 2023.

Staff seeks the Advisory Board's recommendation regarding Mary Beth Lagenaur's reappointment. Recommendations will be presented to the Executive Board for final approval at the April 17, 2026 meeting.

B. RECOMMENDATION FOR APPOINTMENT OF DIOSELÍN GONZALEZ

The Salish BH-ASO Advisory Board Membership includes 3 representatives from each county and 2 Tribal Representatives. Current appointments include:

- Clallam County: Mary Beth Lagenaur and Molly Barnes, and 1 vacancy
- Jefferson County: Diane Pfeifle, Lori Fleming, and 1 vacancy
- Kitsap County: Helen Havens, Naomi Levine, and Renee Hernandez Greenfield
- Tribal Representative: Morgan Allen and 1 vacancy

In December 2025 SBH-ASO received an Advisory Board application from Dioselín Gonzalez to serve as a representative for Clallam County.

Ms. Gonzalez has post-graduate training in public policy and governance, with experience supporting policy development and engagement with governmental partners. She is a committed advocate for mental health services and is interested in deepening her understanding of, and contribution to, the Salish region's service delivery.

Ms. Gonzalez was interviewed by SBH-ASO Administrator Jolene Kron and Advisory Board Chair Stormy Howell.



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C. RFP SUBCOMMITTEE FOR R.E.A.L. PROGRAM

Salish BH-ASO's Recovery Navigator Program, R.E.A.L. (Recovery, Empowerment, Advocacy, and Linkage), has provided community-based outreach, assessment, and service connection through five teams across the region: two in Kitsap County, two in Clallam County, and one in Jefferson County. The R.E.A.L. program has been operational across the region since December of 2022.

The Recovery Navigator Program has been identified as an area of increased efficiency. The program took a 20 percent reduction in the last legislative session and is anticipated to take an additional 10 percent cut in the current legislative session. SBH-ASO supplements this program with General Fund-State to support the current infrastructure. It has been determined that program efficiencies can be increased by reducing teams to one per county. This will allow for better streamlining without a reduction in the services being provided. The change in structure will increase the size of a single team and streamline the positions to better meet program needs. SBH-ASO released a request for proposal to determine which of the two teams in Kitsap and Clallam will continue with this program. This RFP is only open to existing R.E.A.L. Teams. The contract change will be effective July 1, 2026.

Staff is seeking volunteers for an RFP Subcommittee to review proposals and make recommendations to the Executive Board on behalf of the Advisory Board. Volunteers must be available to complete an independent review of proposals between April 10, 2026 and May 1, 2026. Volunteers must also be available to participate in an RFP review conference in person on a date to be determined between May 1, 2026 and May 12, 2026.

D. BLOCK GRANT PLANS

Salish BH-ASO will present updated Block Grant plans for January 1, 2026 through June 30, 2026 and seeks the Board's approval of these plans. Current plans align with the approved budget and identified priorities.

Mental Health Block Grant (MHBG)

The MHBG plan provides funding for residential treatment and outpatient treatment services. The plan also includes funding for supports including transportation and interpreter services. The MHBG plan identifies an estimate of the number of people to be served in each category. SBH-ASO Administration allowance is also included. Allocations are in line with Advisory Board priorities. MHBG Co-Responder is a required category, and the allocation amount is pre-set by the Health Care Authority.



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Substance Use Prevention, Treatment and Recovery Services (SUPTRS)

Funding is allocated for crisis services, which is categorized under “brief intervention” on this template. Brief intervention includes mobile crisis outreach services.

Interim services is a required category for all SUPTRS plans. This line item is limited as there has not historically been a need for interim services in the Salish region.

Therapeutic Intervention Services for Children is also a required category and specifically intended for services to children in residential facilities serving Pregnant and Parenting Women (PPW).

Funding is allocated to sub-acute withdrawal management, Intensive Inpatient Residential Treatment, and general outpatient treatment. Funding has also been allocated for outreach services for R.E.A.L. Team enhancements.

Under the “Recovery Supports” category, the following line items are allocated funding: Transportation for PPW, Transportation, and high-risk services and support. Both Transportation for PPW and Transportation are required categories.

Under the “Other SUPTRS activities” funding is allocated to for Interpreter Services and SBH-ASO Administrative allowance.

SUPTRS Co-Responder is a required category, and the allocation amount is pre-set by the Health Care Authority

E. TRAINING RECOMMENDATIONS

In May 2024, the Salish BH-ASO Advisory Board identified the following top five training priorities for the region:

1. Behavioral Health System Changes
2. Behavioral Health Crisis Response for First Responders and Law Enforcement
3. Community-focused Behavioral Health Trainings
4. Trauma Sensitivity
5. Youth-focused Trainings

Since adoption of these priorities, Salish BH-ASO has expanded training availability for providers, partners, and community members in alignment with these areas.

Provider and Community Training Efforts in 2025:

- March 2025 Introduction to Emotional CPR Community Training
- May 2025 1st Annual Washington State Deflection and Diversion Summit



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- June 2025 Reentry Simulation in partnership with Kitsap Strong, Up From Slavery Initiative, All Hands Whatcom, and the WA State Secretary of State
- On-demand virtual trainings through Change Company
- Regional Crisis System Trainings for Mobile Crisis Outreach Teams
- Suicide Awareness Training
- Substance Use Quarterly Meeting Panels
 - Transportation (February 2025)
 - Housing (May 2025)
 - Peer Services (February 2026)

Additional training efforts are anticipated for 2026, including:

- 2nd Annual Washington State Deflection & Diversion Summit
- Stigma Education for Law Enforcement and Hospitals

Training recommendations should be based, as indicated above, on the 2024 Board-adopted priorities, training efforts already completed, and regional needs.

Salish BH-ASO requests Advisory Board recommendations for trainings to sponsor in 2026 that serve the community, support the Salish BH-ASO provider network, and engage stakeholders across the behavioral health spectrum. There is designated funding available to support 2026 training efforts.

Informational Items

A. COLLECTIVE IMPACT FORUM WORKSHOP DISCUSSION

Naomi Levine recently attended a workshop hosted by the Collective Impact Forum entitled, “The Pursuit of Systems Change: Balancing Today’s Needs and Long Term Impact”. Naomi will share information and takeaways gathered with the Board.

B. ADVISORY BOARD TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES DISCUSSION

Washington Health Care Authority has dedicated funding in recent contracts specifically to support Behavioral Health Advisory Boards. This funding is intended to provide support and access for board members to attend meetings, participate in community events, and engage in training.

There are forms available for Board members to submit training and reimbursement requests. A list of potential trainings is attached.

Link to Travel Request Form: [BH Advisory Board Travel Request Form](#)

Link to Reimbursement Form: [BH Advisory Board Reimbursement Form](#)

**MINUTES OF THE
SALISH BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES ORGANIZATION
ADVISORY BOARD**

**Friday, September 19, 2025
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Hybrid Meeting
Cedar Room, 7 Cedars Hotel
270756 Hwy 101, Sequim, WA 98382**

CALL TO ORDER –Stormy Howell, SBHASO Behavioral Advisory Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:02 am.

INTRODUCTIONS – Self introductions were conducted around the room.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – None.

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON AGENDA TOPICS – None.

APPROVAL of AGENDA –

MOTION: Diane Pfeifle moved to approve the agenda as amended. Helen Havens seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL of MINUTES –

MOTION: Diane Pfeifle moved to approve the meeting minutes as presented for the July 18, 2025 Advisory Board meeting. Mary Beth Lagenaur seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

ACTION ITEMS

➤ **REAPPOINTMENT OF HELEN HAVENS**

The current term for Helen Havens ends on November 30, 2025. Helen has expressed interest in volunteering to serve on the Advisory Board for another term.

Helen has an extensive background supporting individuals with Substance Use Disorder and Co-Occurring Disorders. She has served on the Salish BHASO Advisory Board representing Kitsap County for several years. She also represents Salish BHASO on the Kitsap County Mental Health, Chemical Dependency and Therapeutic Court Community Advisory Committee.

Staff seeks the Advisory Board’s recommendation regarding Helen Haven’s reappointment. Recommendations will be presented to the Executive Board for final approval at the October 17, 2025 meeting.

MOTION: Mary Beth Lagenaur moved to recommend the reappointment of Helen Havens to the Salish Behavioral Health Administrative Services Advisory Board for

a three-year term from December 1, 2025 – November 30, 2028. Naomi Levine seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

➤ **APPOINTMENT OF ADVISORY BOARD CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR**

Section 7.a of the Salish BHASO Advisory Board Bylaws calls for the annual election of the Board chairperson and vice chairperson for a term beginning January 1 and ending December 31 of the calendar year following election.

Stormy Howell currently serves as the Salish BHASO Advisory Board Chair. Lori Fleming currently serves as Vice Chair.

Staff requests recommendations or volunteers from the Board for Chair and Vice Chair for 2026.

MOTION: Helen Havens moved to reappoint Stormy Howell as Chair and Naomi Levine as Vice Chair of the Salish BHASO Advisory Board for 2026. Diane Pfeifle seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Stormy Howell volunteered to continue serving as Board Chair for calendar year 2026. Naomi Levine volunteered to serve as the Vice Chair for calendar year 2026.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

➤ **SALISH BHASO CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS**

Staff will provide an overview of Salish BHASO administered Children's programs, including Children's Longterm Inpatient Program (CLIP), Family Youth System Partner Round Table (FYSPRT), and Salish Youth Network Collaborative (SYNC).

CLIP (Children's Longterm Inpatient Program)

CLIP is the most intensive inpatient psychiatric treatment available to WA State residents, serving youth, ages 5-17 years of age. CLIP treatment is funded by Federal and State Medicaid dollars. Private insurance and other income sources can be billed if applicable. There are four CLIP programs with a total of 109 beds across Washington State.

The CLIP program consists of two components. Involuntary CLIP is applicable to youth already in facilities. Voluntary CLIP is under the coordination requirement of ASOs.

The Salish BHASO is the regional convener of the CLIP committee. The Salish CLIP Committee reviews referrals for voluntary CLIP treatment for youth under age 13 whose parents consent to CLIP treatment and youth over 13 that consent to CLIP treatment. There is a separate pathway for youth over age 13 that require involuntary CLIP treatment.

The Salish regional CLIP committee meets monthly, at a minimum of six times a year, to review referrals for CLIP treatment. During the committee meeting, the youth, family, and treatment providers provide a presentation of the youth's needs. The

presentation is facilitated by the MCO liaison, if the youth has MCO benefits, or the Salish CLIP Liaison if the youth does not. The committee members conduct a vote to determine whether CLIP treatment is recommended. The Washington CLIP Administration makes the final determination of whether CLIP treatment is approved.

The Salish CLIP committee includes representation from regional behavioral health providers, youth serving professionals, representatives from regional Managed Care Organizations, and a parent with lived experience.

The Salish Children's Program Manager serves as the CLIP Liaison. The SBH-ASO CLIP Liaison also arranges the CLIP Committee meetings, referrals, consultations and SBH-ASO CLIP Committee Agreements.

FYSPRT (Family Youth System Partner Round Table)

The Salish BHASO is the regional convener for FYSPRT. FYSPRT brings together families, youth, system partners, and community members to work on improving behavioral health services and support for children, youth, and their families. FYSPRT acts as a sounding board for all the people involved in the care of young people who have developmental, emotional, and/or behavioral issues. FYSPRT creates spaces where opinions can be heard and ideas shared, resulting in better care for individuals and healthier communities.

The Salish BHASO convenes the regional FYSPRT committee, hosting at minimum 10 FYSPRT meetings a year and quarterly family fun outreach events, maintaining a website, and supporting engagement in Statewide FYSPRT advocacy. The Salish BHASO provides compensation and reimbursement to FYSPRT participants for FYSPRT meetings, events, outreach activities, training events, travel, and childcare.

SYNC (Salish Youth Network Collaborative)

SYNC seeks to address challenges experienced by youth with complex behavioral health needs through referral, coordination, and support. The program can serve all children/youth regardless of insurance benefits. Salish BHASO volunteered for the first phase of implementation of the Youth Behavioral Health Navigator Program, implementing the SYNC program in August of 2023.

SYNC provides coordination and support through information and referral, coordination, and convenes multidisciplinary team meetings (MDTs) to address the needs of youth with complex behavioral health needs. The SYNC program is currently supported by a SYNC Coordinator and is supervised by the Salish BHASO Children's Program Supervisor, who serves as the SYNC Program Supervisor.

The SYNC Program is responsible for establishing and strengthening collaborative communication, mapping existing services, and improving service coordination to develop a responsive, robust system of care for youth and their families within Clallam, Jefferson, and Kitsap Counties. SYNC staff convene a regional steering committee and maintain a website with community resources.

Stephanie Thelen was introduced as the new Children's Program Manager at SBHASO.

Discussion centered on clarifying the roles, processes, and challenges of CLIP, SYNC, and FYSPRT, including referral pathways, differences between voluntary and involuntary services, and the growing acuity among younger children. Staff highlighted FYSPRT's strong performance, effective collaboration across programs, referral prioritization, and external factors such as resource shortages and ongoing post-pandemic impacts on youth mental health.

Question regarding the structure of Mobile Crisis Outreach Teams and Youth Mobile Crisis Outreach Teams. Both are accessed through the Salish Regional Crisis Line, with hybrid teams serving both youth and adults, while dedicated youth teams focus on children and adolescents.

➤ **ADVISORY BOARD TRAVEL REQUEST FORM**

Salish BHASO Advisory Board members may receive reimbursement for expenses incurred by engaging in Board activities, including attendance at community events, conferences, and trainings. Travel requests can be submitted using the new online form: [BH Advisory Board Travel Request Form](#).

Staff will provide a tutorial of the online travel request form.

Requests should be submitted no later than two weeks prior to travel. Questions can be directed to Salish BHASO Executive Assistant Nicole Oberg.

➤ **ADVISORY BOARD DIRECTED FUNDING**

Washington Health Care Authority has dedicated funding in recent contracts specifically to support Behavioral Health Advisory Boards. This funding is intended to provide support and access for board members to attend meetings, participate in community events, and engage in training.

Salish BHASO would like to discuss how to align spending of this funding with board priorities.

➤ **OFFICE OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADVOCACY (OBHA) UPDATES**

Nanine Nicolette will provide an update on behalf of the Office of Behavioral Health Advocacy.

Nanine reported 11 ombuds cases in September, nine within the Salish region. Most involved information and referral needs related to financial support, housing, transportation, and legal issues. Recurring concerns included communication gaps with providers, limited understanding of client rights, and families navigating involuntary treatment. Statewide, staffing shortages, agency closures (including a recent one in southwest Washington), and increased out-of-state care requests. Funding constraints are also beginning to reduce behavioral health service availability.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Kate Jasonowicz with Community Health Clinic Washington announced a free upcoming training opportunity for working with individuals with developmental delays and mental health needs. Information will be shared with SBHASO Staff for further dissemination.
- Morgan Snell with Jamestown Tribe expressed intent to apply for the open at-large tribal representative position on the Salish BHASO Advisory Board.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

- Helen shared information about the “Reimagining Behavioral Health, Race, Equity and Social Justice” virtual conference taking place on September 25 and 26.
<https://bhinstitute.uw.edu/re-imagining-behavioral-health-race-equity-and-social-justice-conference/>

ADJOURNMENT – Consensus for adjournment at 11:37 am

ATTENDANCE

BOARD MEMBERS	STAFF	GUESTS
<i>Present:</i>	Jolene Kron, SBHASO Executive Director	Nanine Nicolette, Office of Behavioral Health Advocacy (OBHA)
Stormy Howell, Chair	Ileea Clauson, SBHASO Director of Operations	Kate Jasonowicz, Community Health Plan of Washington (CHPW)
Mary Beth Lagenaur	Nicole Oberg, SBHASO Executive Assistant	Morgan Snell, Tribal Health Planner at Jamestown S’Klallam Tribe
Helen Havens	Stephanie Thelen, SBHASO Children’s Program Manager	Amanda Zahler, ESH liaison, Molina
Naomi Levine		Shane, Kitsap County Community Member
Diane Pfeifle		Susan
<i>Excused:</i>		
Lori Fleming		

NOTE: These meeting notes are not verbatim.

Salish BH-ASO Advisory Board Training Opportunities 2026

Collective Impact Action Summit, Collective Impact Forum

Virtual, April 14 – 16, 2026

<https://collectiveimpactforum.org/event/2026-collective-impact-action-summit/>

NatCon26, National Council for Mental Wellbeing

Denver, Colorado, April 27 – 29, 2026

<https://www.thenationalcouncil.org/event/>

Peerpocalypse 2026, Mental Health & Addiction Association of Oregon

Seaside, Oregon, May 3 – 7, 2026

<https://www.mhaoforegon.org/>

WA State Say it Out Loud (SIOL) Conference

Marysville, Washington, May 18, 2026

<https://www.peerwa.org/sayitoutloud>

WA State Deflection and Diversion Summit

Centralia, Washington, May 21 – 22, 2026

[2026 Washington State Deflection & Diversion Summit Event Website](https://www.wa.gov/deflection-diversion-summit)

The Washington Council for Behavioral Health's Annual Conference

Kennewick, Washington, June 11 – 12, 2026

<https://www.thewashingtoncouncil.org/>

All Rise Annual Conference

Nashville, July 20 – 23, 2026

<https://allrise.org/trainings/rise/>

Peer Pathways Conference

Date/Location TBD (usually mid-August)

<https://www.peerpathways.net/>

Re-Imagining Behavioral Health: Race, Equity & Social Justice Conference, UW

Virtual, September 24 – 25, 2026

<https://bhinstitute.uw.edu/events/re-imagining-behavioral-health-race-equity-and-social-justice-conference/>

The National Crisis Continuum Conference (CrisisCon) 2026

Atlanta, Georgia, October 5 – 8, 2026

<https://www.crisiscon.org/>

WA State Co-Occurring Disorder & Treatment Conference

Yakima, WA, Dates TBD

<https://wacodtx.org/>

WA State Mental Health Summit

Seattle, WA, October 26, 2026

<https://www.wamhsummit.org/>

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