

Summary of our telecom Friday, June 29.

A. UW Physicians Network (UWPN):

1. 2018 fiscal year-end closure numbers are still being generated and final numbers will not be known until the end of July. Discussions will continue with OMF to resolve the 2018 deficit that is now estimated to be about \$18,000 (see B3. below) so that OIHCD starts with a clean financial slate when support of UWPN Orcas Clinic begins.
2. 2018-2019 top level budget was made available to Orcas Island Public Health Care District (OIHCD) in a format suitable for public distribution. A more detailed breakdown of the budget is needed prior to entering into any contractual agreement. Attorneys for both organizations are meeting to identify a solution to allow sharing of needed information.
3. The importance of comparing UW Orcas Clinic performance metrics to national standards such as those available through the Medical Group Management Association (MGMA) was discussed. UWPN belongs to MGMA and can easily supply such data. Timeline for providing such data has yet to be established.
4. A two-tab spreadsheet formatted for reporting patient survey and practice metrics September 2017-June 2018 was emailed to conferees at the start of the meeting. It contained no data other than some target information. Patient Satisfaction, Employer, and Fiscal Responsibility data was promised ASAP. Quality of Care data will be supplied in August.
5. A verbal summary of current practices regarding urgent care during ordinary hours and after-hours was given. It was requested that a written summary be prepared and distributed prior to July 6th call. It was also suggested by UWPN that an Expanding Urgent Care Workgroup be established made up of UWPN and OIHCD members to model what expanded urgent care might look like on Orcas Island and what it would cost. This would include an estimate of costs to expand these services in stages particularly if there is to be a guaranteed health provider on call to respond to after-hours calls. It was stated that much of the work could be accomplished via teleconferencing through the Medical Center. Formation of the Workgroup will be explored by OIHCD and discussed at the July 6 teleconference.
6. A link to UW Charity Care program was provided.
<https://www.uwmedicine.org/patient-care/billing/financial-assistance/summary>. No Orcas Clinic specific data regarding the number of Orcas Clinic patients to date who have applied, number of patients provided support or total financial support provided was disclosed.

B. Orcas Medical Foundation (OMF)

1. Still plans to hand over their property to OIHCD by August 1 and cease operations. Inability to schedule a building inspection may preclude the transfer from occurring by August 1.
2. Is asking OIHCD for \$4,000 to cover July operations.
3. Met with Orcas Island Community Foundation (OICF) seeking additional funding to cover 2018 budget gap. It was agreed that the 2 sequestered OMF/OICF funds would be released to OMF for dealing with shortfall. It was also indicated that OMF received a \$10,000 donation. This together with the expected UWPN contribution of \$100,000 reduces projected 2018 shortfall to \$18,000.
4. Will seek to resolve the \$24,000 Tax dispute with Department of Revenue.
5. Prefers to obtain a loan against property to cover any 2018 shortfall rather than declaring bankruptcy.
6. Will continue discussions with UWPN to resolve 2018 year-end deficits.

C. OIHCD

1. Continues to explore legal issues regarding transition funding and assuming ownership of OMF property. Commissioner Pegi Groundwater will work with OIHCD attorney Don Black and OMF to explore property transfer. OIHCD has authorized paying for an inspection of the building.
2. Does not plan on assuming UW-OMF contract as is but instead will propose an Interim Funding Agreement (IFA) with UWPN to finance continuing operations of the Orcas Clinic through the end of year or until a new contract between OIHCD and UWPN is agreed upon. Modifications to the form of the Building lease are also being explored. Commissioner Pegi Groundwater will be working with OIHCD attorney to generate first draft proposals.
3. Terms of new contract to be negotiated by mid-October in order for OIHCD to adopt its 2019 budget by November 15, 2018. Judi Cline will be UWPN's attorney for contract negotiations. Commissioners Patty Miller and Art Lange will be the Board liaisons with OIHCD's Attorney Don Black for the contract negotiations.

Regards,
Richard

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