Trust Focus Areas
Program and Planning Committee
April 18, 2019
Why Focus Areas?

1) Deviate from the “shotgun approach”

2) Get focused

3) Impacts to all Beneficiary groups

4) Goal: The Trust’s work would be the engine or catalyst for broad “systemic change” impacting current & future beneficiaries statewide
**History**

- **2003/04** Process for and selection of Focus Areas
- **2005** Expanded effort and increased resources to implement focus areas’ strategies and activities
- **2012/13** Evaluation of existing focus areas and recommendations for new focus areas
- **2016** Trust Medicaid Reform & Redesign and Criminal Justice Reform & Reinvestment efforts named as budget category
- **2017/18** Trust in earnest embarks to address beneficiary needs and system gaps “upstream” - - - prevention and early intervention
The Feedback Loop

1) On-going, real-time, diverse perspectives

2) Advisory boards, stakeholders and partners

3) Evaluations, check-ins, meetings
Focus Areas
1) Substance Abuse Prevention & Treatment
2) Housing & Long-Term Services & Supports
3) Disability Justice
4) Beneficiary Employment & Engagement

Other Concentrated Work
1) Workforce Development
2) Early Childhood Prevention & Intervention
**Substance Abuse Prevention & Treatment**

Why this work is critical for beneficiaries?
1) Trust beneficiaries experience negative health and behavioral health outcomes caused by drug and alcohol addiction.
   a) Drug/alcohol addiction results in increased use of emergency services, incarceration, homelessness, child/family harms, violence and unemployment.
   b) Drug/alcohol addiction costs the state upwards of $3 billion annually.
2) Timely access to effective addiction interventions and treatment in communities as close to home as possible is critical to reduce harms to beneficiaries and families.

What have been the positive impacts/successes?
1) Through partnership on Recover Alaska, produced series of successful anti-stigma campaign “Day One” stories of recovery. [Recoveralaska.org](http://Recoveralaska.org)
2) Set Free Alaska, capital funding - 73.3% reduction in waitlist for treatment.
3) Forget Me Not Manor, housing first program- Juneau
Moving Forward

Current & future efforts?

Access to intervention:

1) Support implementation of expanded access to treatment services outlined in SUD portion of the 1115 BH waiver statewide.
2) Expand use of evidenced based and best practice addiction interventions to mental health, primary care and community based settings-including medication assisted treatment.
3) Harm reduction models.
4) Technical assistance and organizational capacity of SUD and BH provider organizations.
**Housing & Long Term Support Services**

**Why is this work critical for beneficiaries?**
1) Preventing and ending homelessness saves lives.
2) Housing First provides the stability needed for recovery.
3) Support services help people meet goals for self-efficacy.

**What have been the positive impacts/successes?**
1) Juneau Permanent Supportive Housing housed 32 beneficiaries which reduced police contacts by 72% and ER visits by 65%.
2) Covenant House was awarded the Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program Grant that helps support four new innovative programs to end youth homelessness.
3) Senior and Disabilities Services (DHSS) expanded the ADRCs by two new centers covering two previously unserved regions.
Moving Forward

Current & future efforts?

1) Pay For Success creates a financing model for permanent supportive housing through a social impact bond process that realigns outcome payers for long term sustainable funding.

2) The IDD programs are working to use evidence based and emerging evaluation methods on both provider and statewide levels.

3) Anchorage has engaged in Built For Zero, a proven method to end homelessness in communities and national movement to align actions and resources to solve this complex problem.
Disability Justice

Why is this work is critical for beneficiaries?

1) Trust beneficiaries are at increased risk of involvement with the criminal justice system as defendants and as victims.

2) Justice involved Trust beneficiaries have an average recidivism rate (40.7%) of nearly double that of other offenders (22%) released from the Alaska Department of Corrections.

3) In recent years justice reform and reinvestment has been a leading issue facing Alaskans and it is critical that the Trust be involved in justice systems and policy development.

What have been the positive impacts/successes?

1) 5% reduction in recidivism rate from 66% to 61%

2) 150 beneficiaries served in Bethel by the HDP

3) Recidivism rates for Therapeutic courts:
   a) Drug/DUI Courts – 28%
   b) Mental Health Courts – 43%
   c) CINA Therapeutic Courts – 24%
Moving Forward

Current & future efforts?

1) Continued support of reentry coalitions and forensic peer support.

2) Supporting the possible expansion of the Holistic Defense Project.

3) Supporting the possible expansion of therapeutic courts
Beneficiary Employment & Engagement

Why is this work is critical for beneficiaries?
1. Beneficiaries are generally underemployed (49% compared to 78% without disabilities) – disparity higher with cognitive impairment (30%)
2. Work and/or meaningful engagement is essential to quality of life and a critical component of recovery
3. Peer support and recovery-oriented services continue to be prioritized with Beneficiary Project Initiatives (BPI)

What have been the positive impacts/successes?
1. BPI grantees provided peer support and recovery-oriented services to 6300 beneficiaries in FY17
2. Pre-Employment Transition Services (Pre-ETS) provide student training and job experience to beneficiary youth (802 students in FY18)
3. Annual average of 15+ Microenterprise grants to individual beneficiary starting or expanding small businesses
Moving Forward

Current & future strategies and efforts?

1. Employment data development and evaluation
2. “Employment First” implementation
3. Peer support workforce development
Other Concentrated Work
**Workforce Development**

Why is this work critical for beneficiaries?
1) Quality care requires a skilled, employed workforce
2) Increased need for collaborations and connections/Alaska Health Workforce Coalition
3) Meet changing needs of the population (Working smarter not harder)

What have been the positive impacts/successes?
1) Criminal Justice Reform: AK Training Cooperative provided 12 Conflict Resolution Skills/Alternatives to Violence workshops at Wildwood Correctional Center for 113 inmates FY18.
2) AK Training Cooperative-uses evidence-based practices- 1700 Mental Health First Aiders Trained in FY18.
3) The AK Psychology Internship Program- 83 PhD Clinical Psychologist-70% 1st position was in Alaska.
Moving Forward

Current & future efforts?

1) Strategic partnerships: UAA/AK Training Cooperative and University of Washington Mental Health Technology Transfer Center- UW will provide American Indian/Alaska Native Motivational Interviewing training in Juneau & Anchorage.

2) The Current SHARP 1 program uses $200,000 Trust dollars in FY19, which brings in 4 million in private-public dollars. These dollars have secured 74 contracts/FY19, 328/since inception.

3) The SC Alaska Area Health Education Center is partnering with the AK Training Cooperative and the Department of Labor to offer pre-apprenticeship health care classes this spring for 30 adults new to the direct service workforce.
**Early Childhood Prevention & Intervention**

**Why is this work critical for beneficiaries?**
1. Trauma early in life is highly correlated with beneficiary groups
2. Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) significantly impact lifelong health of beneficiaries
3. Intervening early in childhood can alter the life course trajectory in a positive direction

**What have been the positive impacts/successes?**
1. FOCUS early learning preschool
2. Trauma-informed schools pilot in Juneau School District
3. Expansion of early childhood and family interventions/supports in proposed 1115 Medicaid waiver
Moving Forward

Current & Future efforts?

1. Data development and evaluation
2. Screening and assessment
3. Integration of behavioral health into primary care settings
4. Infant and early childhood mental health consultation
5. Early childhood workforce development
Stakeholder Process: FY21 Revised Budget Recommendations

Commence our budget development work earlier with smaller more nimble workgroups

- Reaffirmation of Priority Initiatives & Focus Areas
- Review of Priority Initiatives / Focus Area Goals & Allocations
- Theory of Change & COMP Plan
- Evaluation of Impacts
- Advocacy Priorities
- Previous Stakeholder Recommendations
- Revised FY21 Budget Recommendations

Advisory Boards

Beneficiaries

Community, Tribal, Local, State Partners

Trust Staff
# FY20 Budget Adjustments & FY21 Budget Development

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<td>Trust staff working with stakeholders to finalize FY21 budget proposal</td>
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<td>July 30-31</td>
<td>Program &amp; Planning Committee meeting: Presentation of proposed FY21 budget</td>
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<td>September 10-11</td>
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