**2017 LEADERSHIP COUNCIL CHARTER**

Goals:

* Provide strategic guidance on issues critical to improving health in our region;
* Review and provide feedback on ACH related Regional Health Priorities, Regional Health Improvement Plan and SIM funded ACH Regional Project and ACH DSRIP Project planning and selection;
* Determine shared health priorities for action for the entire region
* Maintain a focus on improving health outcomes, not simply improving the health care system, or payment reform and within the framework of social determinants of health
* Create a unified, regional voice for Eastern Washington regarding health priorities
* Collaborate across systems to improve our community safety and well-being
* Design a supportive infrastructure that fosters collaborative efficiency and shared learning
* Capitalize on immediate opportunities to proactively shape the health and healthcare reform landscape in Eastern Washington
* Use data to inform choices and guide action priorities; and
* Look for specific ways to integrate our shared values into solutions and make modifications based on needs and feedback
* Share emerging best practices and new ideas and information to improve the health of our region
* Provide strategic guidance on public policy related items to Accountable Communities of Health

**Co-Chairs:**

Pam Tietz, Spokane Housing Authority and BHT Board Member

Jac Davies, NW Rural Health Network and BHT ACH Leadership Council Member

**Membership:**

The Leadership Council is broad based and inclusive, we desire members from all sectors and regions to participate. This Council is designed to be open to all stakeholders who engage and embrace BHT’s principles:

* **Focus on improving health** **outcomes**, not simply improving the health care system;
* Share a **unified**, **regional voice** for Eastern Washington regarding health priorities;
* Collaborate across systems to improve our **community safety and well-being;**
* Utilize a **collaborative infrastructure** that creates efficiency and scale;
* Deliver **culturally competent services**, which includes language access; and
* **Drive action oriented** measurable outcomes through the use of evidence-based data and local voice.

Desired Membership from:

* Health Care
* Health Plan/Managed Care
* Population Health/Social Determinants of Health
* Providers with clinical experience
* Native American Health leaders
* Behavioral Health, Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder
* Public Health
* Education
* Counties
* Aging & Long Term Care
* Philanthropy
* Consumer

ACH Leadership Council members are expected to be:

* Senior level executives or designees with the ability to align individual organizational resources to meet BHT goals
* Respected community leaders with the ability to cultivate, inspire and influence other leaders in their sector to align resources and efforts
* Visionary yet practical leaders that will move our efforts from concept to action
* Ability to manage organizationally with community best interest

Additionally:

* BHT will always strive for ethnic, political and age diversity.
* Every member of the Better Health Together Board of Directors will serve on the Leadership Council.
* Each organization will have one membership seat, though attendees may vary based on discussion items

Expectations of Participation:

* Attend 75% of meetings in person or via webinar. If attendance is lacking BHT will discuss continued participation

**Decision Making**

The Leadership Council aims to reach consensus on recommendations to the Better Health Together Board of Directors. Consensus in this context does not mean 100% agreement on all parts of every issue, but rather that all partners review a decision in its entirety and can say “I can live with that.” Final decision-making and approval of the Accountable Community of Health decisions will be the responsibility of the Better Health Together Board of Directors. The BHT Board commits to not making a contrary decision to the recommendation of any committee, council or work group without engaging in further discussion.

Expected Time commitment:

* Generally, meets monthly at least 10 times per year

Staffing:

Alison Carl White, Executive Director

Hadley Morrow, Associate Director of Community Engagement

Devon Wilson, ACH Project Manager

Justin Botejue, ACH Project Manager