



**Substance Use Disorder Certification Advisory Committee  
Meeting Minutes**

**August 25, 2021**

Virtual Special Meeting via MS Teams

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Committee members present:	Kenneth Pimpleton, SUDP, Chair Susan Cherry, SUDP Theresa Adkison, SUDP Gayle Martinsen, HCA Representative Bergen Starke, LMHC, SUDP
Committee members absent:	None
Staff members present:	Ted Dale, Program Manager James Chaney, Executive Director Karen Gohlsen, Program Support Sierra McWilliams, Assistant Attorney General Melody Casiano, Policy Analyst Ashley Bell, Behavioral Health Programs Coord.
Guest presenters:	Laura Hopkins, Executive Director, SEIU Healthcare Melody McKee, Program Director - Harborview Behavioral Health Institute, UW Medicine

On August 25, 2021, the Substance Use Disorder Certification Advisory Committee met online via MS Teams. Notice of the meeting was published on the [Substance Use Disorder profession website](#) and was sent out through the GovDelivery listserv.

## Open Session:

### 1. Opening of Public Meeting – Kenneth Pimpleton, Chair

- 1.1. Call to Order – Mr. Pimpleton called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m. Committee and agency staff members as well as public attendees introduced themselves and their area of practice.

### 2. Committee Review of SUD Apprenticeship Application – Ken Pimpleton, Chair

The SUD Certification Advisory Committee will review the apprenticeship application provided to the department.

- 2.1. Introduction and Overview – Ms. Bell provide an overview of the SUD apprenticeship program. Due to the passage of [SHB 1311](#) in 2021, the legislation adds apprenticeship programs as a pathway to meet the educational requirements to apply for a full substance use disorder professional certification. Ms. Hopkins and Ms. McKee briefed the committee on the [Health Care Consortium's](#) apprenticeship application, which requires the approval of the Substance Use Disorder Certification Advisory Committee to move further in the process.
- 2.2. Panel Discussion of the Application – Mr. Pimpleton opened the discussion and provided an opportunity for the advisory committee to ask questions.
- 2.3. Public Comment - The public was asked to provide questions and comments regarding the apprenticeship application.
- 2.4. Committee Vote - *Motion to approve the Health Care Consortium's apprenticeship application, seconded, vote 3-0 (Ms. Starke recused herself due to a conflict of interest).*

### 3. Adjournment

- 3.1. The meeting adjourned at 10:03 a.m.

**Submitted by:**

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Substance Use Disorder Certification Advisory  
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**Approved by:**

Kenneth Pimpleton, Chair  
Substance Use Disorder Certification  
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