



Hospital Staffing Advisory Committee Meeting

Meeting Notes

Date	1/5/2024				
Meeting Topic	Hospital Staffing Matrix and Categories				
Note Taker	Holli Erdahl				
Attendees	Standing Attendees				
	WSHA	WSNA, SEIU, UFCW			
	☐ ☑ Chelene Whiteaker	☐ Cara Alderson			
	□ Darcy Jaffe	□ David Keepnews			
	☐ ☑ Jason Hotchkiss	□ Duncan Camacho			
	☐ Keri Nasenbeny				
	Renee Rassilyer Bomers				
	DOH	L&I			
	☐ Christie Spice				
	☐ Ian Corbridge	⊠ Carl Backen			
	□ Julie Tomaro				
	☑ Tiffani Buck				
	Alternates and Other Attendees				
	Bonnie Fryzlewicz as alternate for Keri Kirk Harper				
	Dino Johnson as alternate for Renee	Krista Touros			
	Saba Tilahun as alternate for Cara	Lindsey Grad			
	Aisling Kerins	Sara Gering			
	Amy Doepken	Toni Swenson			
	Angela Naylor				
	Ashlen Strong				
	Colleen Spitz				
	Dawn Marick Hanna Welander				
	Jackie Mossakowski				
	Jamie Estabrook				
	Kara Yates				
	Kelsey McCauley				
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Agenda Item	Notes
Welcome and Role Call	Attendance taken
Land and Labor Acknowledgment and Safety Topic	 Candle safety Before lighting, be mindful of the condition of the candle





	Make sure weight distribution is appropriate and candle wick length is not too long		
	Make sure the candle is in a heat resistant candle holder		
	 Scented candles – please be sure the scent won't negatively impact 		
	others		
	Be aware of the surroundings, do not leave candle unattended		
	Keep away from pets and children		
Approve Prior	"Average number of patients per day could be useful, hours per patient day		
Meeting Minutes	(HPPD) is harder to determine" will clarify this in the minutes, set to approve		
Action Item	Alternates roles during meetings – will not be delivering feedback unless		
Follow Up	acting in place of primary member, there will be a time set before the		
	public comment section for any feedback from alternates		
	Appointment of new committee member confirmed		
DOH Draft Basic	Looking for initial reactions to matrix, not looking to vote until future		
Form - Hospital	meeting		
•	Inpatient Staffing Matrix		
Staffing Matrix and	Licensed Beds/Operational Beds		
Categories	 Is it helpful to include Licensed Beds as well as 		
	Operational/Staffed Beds?		
	 Staffed beds vs maximum beds 		
	 Licensed beds are not necessarily set by unit, maximum beds is 		
	generally more accurate		
	Budgeted Hours Per Patient Day (HPPD)		
	 Intention of this uniform form is that public can understand, will 		
	public understand hours per patient day?		
	 A glossary of defined words (like in RI staffing forms) would be 		
	very helpful.		
	 Will need to be able to distinguish how hours per patient day are 		
	determined		
	 Hours are not often divided by role, may be difficult to separate, 		
	numerous members would prefer to have a combined number		
	including all roles		
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	to discuss		
	 Do we want a standardized formula for how to report HPPD on 		
	staffing form, or would we require that each hospital provides		
	their own formula?		
	 Concerns that different formulas for HPPD would affect ability for 		
	public comprehensive		
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	the form? If we cannot list HPPD by specialty, what does the data		
	offer?		
	• Shifts		
	 Intention is to allow hospitals to add additional lines for more 		
	shifts to accurately reflect their staffing model		
	 Shift type or listed hours: preferably one or the other used for 		
	simplicity		





- Would it make sense to use Day and Night to categorize census time? Should we capture weekends?
- Formatting is it possible to have a vertical and horizontal version for census?

Break

• Types of staff to be included in the Matrix

"UAP is defined in WAC as individuals trained to function in an assistive role to nurses in the provision of patient care, as delegated by and under the supervision of the registered nurse. Typical activities performed by unlicensed assistive personnel include, but are not limited to: Taking vital signs; bathing, feeding, or dressing patients; assisting patient with transfer, ambulation, or toileting. Definition includes: Nursing assistants; orderlies; patient care technicians/assistants; and graduate nurses (not yet licensed) who have completed unit orientation. Definition excludes: Unit secretaries or clerks; monitor technicians; therapy assistants; student nurses fulfilling educational requirements; and sitters who are not providing typical UAP activities."

- Still considering a checklist for critical support staff to be included on the form
- Will need to have flexibility for positions that don't require licenses but are staffed by licensed professionals
- o HUC- should be separately listed from CNA?
- Will this be used for compliance purposes moving forward? We should address the spirit of the law before deciding on what to include on the staffing matrix.
- Enforcement pieces of the bill let's review those and discuss them succinctly in next meeting
- Goal is for consistency across using forms, enforcements are about following the plan once it is implemented, not about what is excluded from the plan (Caitlin Gates L&I)
- Additional Care Team Members chart
 - o Rather than a checkbox, would this chart be effective to include?
 - Could include roles like IV therapy and other supports that work across multiple units
- Factors Considered in the Development of the Unit Staffing Plan
 - Option to select which factors were considered as well as describe the way in which these factors were utilized
 - Allows for hospitals to add more information, allows for visibility on what is listed in the law to consider
 - Could possibly trial having this filled out

Will send out what we have reviewed today, please feel free to send over feedback or information as drafting continues

Public Comment

- Alternates: any comments? Not at this time
- Public comment: No public comments.

Action Items	Assignment	Deadline
Get feedback from peers on HPPD	Committee members	Next meeting





Further discuss and define HPPD	All	Next meeting
Review enforcement expectations of the bill	DOH	Next meeting
for discussion		