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## Monthly Update

**Adult Advisory Council** – Michelle Veenker, Executive Director for NAMI Clackamas County has taken on co-chair role for the council. The group met on Wednesday, March 23 to finish bylaws and share a presentation on architecture.

**Architecture and Design** – The contract has been finalized and demolition work is underway.

**Care Model Design** – The team continues to work on staffing planning and communications. The next session will focus on RN academic planning. Invitations have been distributed for the upcoming April 5 large group session on Trauma Informed Care.

**Change Management** – Continuing to clarify the communication plan for all Unity Center positions.

**Communications, Marketing and Development** –The Board of Managers approved a part-time contract resource to support communication work for the Unity Center project. Preparations for the NAMI walk are under way.

**Community Relations** – A new Public and Community Relations consultant for Legacy Emanuel Medical Center is getting up to speed and will soon be working on community outreach.

**Governance** – Unity's CMO, Greg Miller, MD. has been hired and will officially begin work June 1, 2016.

**Government Affairs** – Continuing to monitor progress on the rule change that will allow ambulances to transport police holds. NAMI and DRO sent a qualified letter of support to Oregon, supporting Unity Center but criticizing the use of an existing RAC rather than convening a more specialized team.

**Human Resources** – Director hiring work has been extended due to changes in the applicant pools. Proceeding with manager hiring. Plan to post staff positions by April 25. HR expects it will take until at least the end of May to place internal candidates before moving on to external recruiting. Working on a national recruitment effort for the Psychiatric Emergency Services manager.

**IT and Informatics** – The first phase of the Epic build is nearing completion. Build review sessions are planned with inpatient Subject Matter Experts on the project team in the coming week. Continuing to exchange health information planning across partner organizations. Data workgroup is in progress with another refining iteration of clinical metrics to share with the Board of Managers in April.

**Provider Recruitment** – Interviewing actively. Very close to finalizing a pediatric medical director. There are five candidates for the Psychiatric Emergency Services medical director position. Overall provider recruiting continues to progress well with strong and steady interest from the provider community.

**Transitions of Care** - Met last month. Broke down work into three categories: colocation, in reach and coordinated referrals. The April meeting will focus on continued planning in these areas.

**Transportation** – The dispersal plan algorithm has been finalized. Preparation for the pilot testing in the field is almost complete and will start in a couple weeks. It will test current practice and determine what needs to change regarding protocols in the field when Unity Center opens.