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Olympic Community of Health to Host 2nd Annual Opioid Summit October 17th

Event Convenes Those Working to Address Opioid Addiction in the Olympic Region and Beyond



The need for action on opioid addiction has never been greater for the Olympic region. October 17th will provide a rare opportunity for collaboration and learning about this issue as the Olympic Community of Health (OCH) hosts the 2nd Annual OCH Regional Opioid Summit in Suquamish, Washington. Physical and behavioral health providers, tribal partners, public health and local government officials, emergency services providers and

community members will gather discuss and learn about Opioid Use Disorder and the Olympic region's response to it.

In 2016 OCH launched a three-county coordinated opioid response initiative, 3CCORP. The initiative aligns OCH's efforts with Washington State's opioid response plan and is integrated with the Medicaid Transformation Project. The Opioid Summit—3CCORP's largest partner convening—is designed to advance the work of those addressing the challenge of opioid addiction in the Olympic region.

With the Salish Behavioral Health Organization, OCH hosted the first annual Regional Opioid Summit in January 2017. Over 230 people gathered in Kingston, Washington for the event.

The 2018 Opioid Summit will be held in The Salmon and Whale Hall of the Suquamish Clearwater Event Center on October 17th. Registration and lunch will begin at 12:00 p.m. with a welcome message scheduled to start the Summit at 1:00 p.m. The Summit will conclude at 4:30 p.m. Registration for this event is free. To RSVP visit http://bit.ly/2x8ly40.

About Olympic Community of Health: Olympic Community of Health is an Accountable Community of Health, one of nine in Washington State, serving Clallam, Jefferson and Kitsap counties. We are in the territorial lands of the Sovereign Nations of the Hoh, Jamestown S'Klallam, Lower Elwha Klallam, Makah, Port Gamble S'Klallam, Quileute, Quinault and Suquamish. Our purpose is to facilitate health care delivery transformation and community health improvement across the Olympic region. The OCH Board of Directors consists of leaders from tribal nations and health sectors within our region.