

Residential Care Facilities for the Elderly (RCFE) Working Group Minutes Friday, August 10th 1-3pm

Attendance: Mike Wylie, Ashley Groffenberger, Mor Xiong, Charlie Paisley, Wendy Lee, Ruth Zaltsmann, Manish Goyal, Kelly Hiramoto, Laura Liesem, Jarlene Choy, Benson Nadell, Rose Johns, Shireen McSpadden, Allegra Fortunati, Dan Kaplan, Cindy Kauffman, Valerie Coleman

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Agenda

Introductions.

Review of starting hypothesis:

The City does not have as many residential care facilities for the elderly (RCFE) beds as it needs and a recognition that the city has a role in approaching this problem. We need to understand the demand side of this process as RCFE's could help and provide services to the homeless department.

Secondly we need to look at the supply side of things, as we know how many RCFE's use to be in the city and they are declining.

Additionally: Things to look at in regards to RCFE's is where are the residents coming from? Suggestions included:

- In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS)
- Adult Protective Services (APS)
- Home – unable to live independently safely
- Formerly homeless
- SSI Plus – Those who get a patch

Private pay is on the higher end and people who are in the middle (financially) don't qualify because they make too much money.

Cohorts

To go over bullet points to come back to the groups

- Behavioral Health – ADL's Case work, Shelter for people with Behavioral Health Problems.
- Hospital
- APS

3 Groups

Demand Subgroup

How do we determine what the demand is for RCFE's are? While also describing the need

- Private
- Medicaid Waivers
- Patches

- Demand is modified by your financial status
 - Hospitals: Short Term vs. Longer Term patients
 - Other Sites - Supportive Housing Alternatives

- As of now, workgroup members include:
 - Laura Liesem
 - Ruth Zaltsmann
 - Mark Burns

Supply subgroup

What does it really cost? Distinguish notes and cost and what facilities that won't serve low income?

Then build out our own model.

- As of now, workgroup members include:
 - Alicia Neumann
 - Representative from 6 Beds.Org

Strategies subgroup

Looking at opportunities to support the growth of the RCFE community, including: waiver expansions or advocate for other waivers, city funded patches, capitol money to support the operators serving a low-income population, address permitting and other processes, or workforce support (not an exhaustive list):

- Workgroup members include:
 - Cindy Kauffman

Next Steps:

Groups working in different areas begin to work together with a small plan as to where they are headed. Meet again in month to schedule meetings and lay out a project schedule.

Next Meeting: Friday, September 21st