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A New Chapter for Oregon's Response to Addiction

On October 18th, the first meeting of the new Joint Committee responding to the drug crisis will focus on addiction treatment and prevention

SALEM, Ore - On Wednesday, October 18, 2023, the Joint Committee on Addiction and Community Safety Response will convene for the first time at 1:00 PM. This committee is the [Legislature's hub](#) for the coordination of an urgent public health and public safety response to the drug crisis. Through the 2024 session and beyond, this bipartisan, bicameral group of legislators will provide oversight of state programs and funding while seeking short and long term solutions to keep Oregonians safe and healthy.

The [first meeting](#) will focus on the addiction treatment and prevention component of the drug crisis. Full agenda below:

MEETING 1: A New Chapter for Oregon's Response to Addiction

Wednesday, October 18, 2023

1:00 PM, Hearing Room F ([Livestream](#))

Substance Use Prevention in Oregon

- Annaliese Dolph, Director, Oregon Alcohol and Drug Policy Commission
- *Additional presenters to be determined.*

Oregon's Behavioral Health and SUD Treatment Systems Overview

- Jackie Fabrick, Deputy Director of Behavioral Health, Oregon Health Authority

Perspectives on SUD Treatment Care Continuum

- Cheryl Ramirez, Executive Director, Association of Oregon Community Mental Health Programs
- Jackie Thomson, Senior Director of Crisis Services, Cascadia Health
- Holly Harris, Deputy Director of Behavioral Health, Deschutes County
- David Geels, Behavioral Health Director, Coos County
- Rick Treleaven, Executive Director, Bestcare Treatment
- Joe Bazeghi, Director of Engagement, Recovery Works NW
- *Additional presenters to be determined.*

This committee is co-chaired by **Senate Majority Leader Kate Lieber (D - Beaverton & SW Portland)** and **Representative Jason Kropf (D - Bend)**. The full membership of the committee can be found [here](#).

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