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TITLE FOR AGENDA ITEM:

Appointments to fill vacancies on the Incarceration Prevention and Reduction Task Force - Applicants: Stephen Gockley, Greg Winter, Arlene Feld

SUMMARY STATEMENT OR LEGAL NOTICE LANGUAGE:

INCARCERATION PREVENTION AND REDUCTION TASK FORCE

2 Vacancies for Health & Social Services Provider, current members eligible to reapply

1 Vacancy for a consumer of services or family member of consumer, current member eligible to reapply

1 Vacancy for an interested citizen, current member eligible to reapply

All positions are 4-year terms. The Task Force reviews Whatcom County's criminal justice and behavioral health programs and makes specific recommendations to safely and effectively reduce incarceration of individuals struggling with mental illness and chemical dependency; minimize jail use by pretrial defendants who can safely be released; and identify, examine, and recommend implementing programs and policies that focus on intervention and prevention strategies that are pursuant to incarceration. Meets every other month; subcommittees meet monthly.