

Street Medicine Team

Mission

Our mission is to ensure people who are unsheltered in King County have access to the health care they deserve, on their terms. We provide person centered services that are equitable and racially just through a harm reduction, trauma informed lens.

Values

Health Equity

- We recognize that Black people, Indigenous people, and People of Color have been harmed by racism in healthcare systems and safety net services, and we are committed to constantly evaluating and educating ourselves, to ensure we are delivering anti-racist services
- We confront individual and systemic racism in all areas of healthcare delivery
- We collaborate with marginalized communities to ensure that we share power regarding where and how care is delivered
- We believe in the inherent value of every person, and that every person has access to quality health care

Relationships

- We build and maintain relationships with clients and community partners
- We meet clients where they are currently, without judgement
- We are committed to building a supportive, caring team environment for each other

Safety

- We are respectful in our interactions with our clients and each other
- We accept and honor the uniqueness of each person we work with and each other

Innovation

- We implement creative ways to provide medical and behavioral healthcare
- We push boundaries, not doing things the way they have always been done
- We are flexible in adapting to the needs of our clients and our roles within the program

Quality Health Care

- We provide person-based care, recognizing clients for their unique experiences and as experts in their own lives
- We focus on the clients' goals and reality as a priority

- We stay current with evidence-based practice

Advocacy

- We fight to navigate barriers to care on a micro and macro level, connecting clients to interdisciplinary service
- We help elevate our clients' voices and stories to push for change
- We carry out ongoing analysis of racial health disparities

Sustainability

- We believe when employees have a chance to rest and renew themselves through adequate and individualized self-care they are better prepared to meet the challenges of their work