

Waukesha County Mental Health Center
Mental Health Advisory Committee Meeting (MHAC)

August 15th, 2016

Present MHAC Committee: Danielle Birdeau, Terry Findley, Shannon Hammer, Mike O'Brien, John Kettler, Jennifer Cera, Marybeth VanderMale, Shannon Stydahar, Brad Haas, Joan Sternweis, Mary Lodes, Bridget Ellingboe, Mary Madden, Karen McCue

Excused: Colleen Gonzalez, Linda Cole, Kathy Mack

Guests: Andrew Nett

1. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 1:34 by Danielle Birdeau. Introductions were exchanged among the committee members and guest present.

2. Review and Approval of Minutes

There was no meeting held in July

Minutes of the June 20th, 2016 meeting were approved as motioned by Lodes and seconded by McCue with the amendments of removing a duplicated sentence in the 2nd paragraph of section 3 and correcting the typo "renew" instead of "renewal" in section 4b.

3. Committee Input on Waukesha County Department of Health and Human Services Division Strategic Plan Objectives

The discussion was facilitated by Joan Sternweis, Manager of the Clinical Services Division of Waukesha County Department of Health and Human Services. The topic related the WCDHHS Strategic Plan to the functions and needs of the MHAC and the consumers it serves. Among the Strategic outcomes discussed was reducing employee absences in the hospital health system, the community health improvement plan and process, increasing and accessing suicide prevention resources, addressing the prevalence of opioid and heroin addiction, maintaining a practice of continuous quality improvement, creating a framework for collaboration with the local criminal justice system, improving service to scheduled treatment sessions, and how the department will modify current business policies to better meet customer needs, reduce denied claims, and improve revenue cycle integrity.

Sternweis then opened the floor for discussion by agencies about the strategic plan, their agency's' strategic plans, and how to further collaborate. Stydahar discussed the continuing work of WCS and the Dept. of Probation and Parole with people who are leaving the prison system. VanderMale discussed a desire by Homes for Independent Living to increase services for assisting people in the community. Madden discussed the efforts by NAMI and the Suicide Prevention Initiative.

4. Sub-Committee Reports

a. Board Liaison Report – Mary Lodes

The Health and Human Services Board met on July 16th, 2016. The 2017 budget draft was

presented to them. The Board pledged continued support for mental health programming and acknowledged the needs outlined by this committee during the unmet needs presentation earlier this year.

b. CCS Coordinating Committee – Danielle Birdeau

The committee met in July. The CCS program was recertified by the Division of Quality Assurance for another two-year period. The annual state-wide CCS meeting will be held in Wausau on 9/7/16. The agenda is posted online at the state's CCS website.

c. Peer Specialist Committee of Waukesha County – Cathy Friend

No report

d. CHIPP Report – Mary Madden

No report

e. Partnerships for Children's Mental Health – Laurie Kohler

No report although it was noted that the committee continues to meet and forge partnerships with the community.

5. Old Business

Madden reminded the committee of the Suicide Prevention Initiative meeting to be held immediately following this meeting of the MHAC.

6. New Business

None reported

7. Other

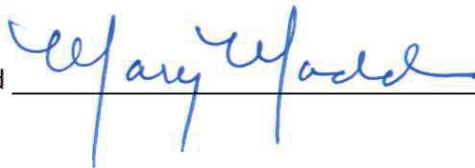
None reported

8. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn made by Birdeau and seconded by VanderMale. Meeting adjourned at 2:41 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by John Kettler.

Minutes were approved



Date

9/16/16