



Waukesha County  
Criminal Justice Collaborating Council  
Evidence-Based Decision Making Mental Health Workgroup Minutes  
Monday, June 5, 2017

**Team Members Present:**

Antwayne Robertson (Co-Chair)  
Dr. James Rutherford  
Maura McMahan  
Hon. Kathryn Foster  
Dr. Gordon Owley

Mary Madden  
Dan Baumann  
Laura Lau  
Andy Dresang  
James Gumm

**Team Members Absent:**

Anna Ruzinski (Co-Chair)  
Sally Tess

Robert Mueller

**Others Present:** Rebecca Luczaj, Janelle McClain, Mimi Carter, Barbara Jones, Joan Sternweis

Robertson called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m.

**Approve Minutes from April 19, 2017**

Motion: Baumann moved, second by Owley, to approve the minutes from April 19, 2017. Motion carried unanimously.

Foster arrived at 9:05 a.m.

**Review and Discuss Recent Crisis Services Statistics**

Owley distributed and reviewed the Clinical Crisis 3 Month Rolling Call Statistics Summary. In the future, he will e-mail the statistics to everyone.

Laurie Kohler is no longer the Supervisor of Crisis Services, as she is going to Adult Protective Services. Danielle Birdeau, the current TSSU and CCS Supervisor, is being transitioned as the new Crisis Services Supervisor.

Rutherford arrived at 9:10 a.m.

McMahon arrived at 9:12 a.m.

Gumm asked that when social workers are putting together safety plans for people leaving the jail that they connect with correctional staff about the plan in order to improve communication. Sternweis commented that jail staff were present at the last crisis staff meeting, which will further improve communication.

Carter suggested making a note on the statistics summary that specifies that it is a "Clinical Risk Assessment," to differentiate between the other EBDM risk assessments that are commonly discussed that pertain to failure to appear and risk to reoffend.

### **Update on 4/19 Follow-Up Meeting with ER Doctors to Discuss Medical Clearance Process for Emergency Detentions**

Rutherford has not received any feedback from the physicians since the last meeting, other than Dr. Cardoni at Waukesha Memorial Hospital indicating he had no new updates or concerns.

The workgroup is planning to meet with the doctors on a quarterly basis. The next meeting with the doctors will be July 13 at the Mental Health Center.

Robertson reported that he would be initiating the process for DHHS providers to have read-only access to the Epic healthcare software system that most area hospitals use. This will be monumental in increasing communication efforts between the organizations.

Luczaj commented that at the NIC Diversion Symposium she and DA Sue Opper attended last week in Washington, D.C., Waukesha County was touted as an example for other EBDM counties because of our successful meetings joining the medical, mental health, and criminal justice systems together in one room to increase communication and efficiencies.

### **Update on Work of Initial Appearances by Video Subgroup**

This item was tabled until a future meeting.

### **Discuss Next Steps**

Madden updated the group on recent and upcoming CIT trainings for law enforcement. NAMI Waukesha just finished an adult CIT training, and a youth CIT training is scheduled for the week of September 25, 2017, which will be funded by the Youth Crisis Grant. The group discussed the difficulty in finding funding for CIT training. Madden stated that it costs about \$14,000 to provide a weeklong training. Gumm suggested that if grant funding is an issue, they could charge law enforcement departments \$400/person. Baumann agreed and stated that we should look at 2018 so that departments can plan for this training in their budgets.

Luczaj mentioned that the Janesville Police Department has added a "Mental Health Flag" to their CAD system, which contains suggestions for law enforcement on how to interact successfully with certain individuals who have had a crisis assessment in the past, as well as a link to the actual assessment that can be viewed. This would be difficult for Waukesha County to implement a system like this countywide because not all of the municipalities utilize the Communications Center for dispatch or utilize the same software program.

### **Adjourn**

Motion: Gumm moved, second by Baumann, to adjourn the meeting at 9:49 a.m. Motion passed unanimously.