



Waukesha County  
Criminal Justice Collaborating Council  
Evidence-Based Decision Making Mental Health Workgroup Minutes  
Thursday, November 17, 2016

**Team Members Present:**

HHS Director Antwayne Robertson (Co-Chair)  
Outpatient Services Admin Gordon Owley  
DOC Regional Chief Sally Tess

Menomonee Falls Police Chief Anna Ruzinski (Co-Chair)  
Waukesha Police Captain Dan Baumann  
Assistant Corporation Counsel Robert Mueller

**Team Members Absent:**

NAMI Executive Director Mary Madden  
Attorney Maura McMahon

Honorable Kathryn Foster  
Inspector James Gumm

**Others Present:** Rebecca Luczaj, Janelle McClain, Dr. James Rutherford, Joan Sternweis, Andy Dresang

Ruzinski called the meeting to order at 12:36 p.m. The group began with introductions, as this was Andy Dresang's first meeting.

**Approve Minutes from October 20, 2016**

Motion: Robertson moved, second by Baumann, to approve the minutes from October 20, 2016. Motion carried unanimously.

**Discuss and Consider Work Group Membership Addition**

Motion: Mueller moved, second by Robertson, to approve the addition of Dr. James Rutherford, HHS Clinical Director, as a member of the EBDM Mental Health Workgroup. Motion carried unanimously.

**Review Work Plan and Prepare for 12/5 Meeting with EBDM Consultant**

Luczaj distributed the work plan.

**OUTCOME 1:**

Owley distributed mobile crisis statistics through October 2016, as well as a handout titled "*October 2016 Data for Mobile Crisis Intervention*" that summarizes the type of crisis calls received, as well as the outcome of those calls.

A new crisis worker has been hired who wants to work nights and weekends, so within a week, mobile crisis will truly be staffed 24:7.

Since March 2016, there have been 796 in-person assessments, with 4,500 crisis calls projected for the 2016-2017 fiscal year. There were 47 safety plans implemented during October 2016.

Baumann distributed a chart for June 1 – November 16 of the years 2014-2016, which details dispatch calls and Reports Management System (RMS) codes. They are seeing a huge increase in alcohol-related cases. The group hopes that were only accepting sober individuals, are now accepting everyone. Baumann also stated that law enforcement is seeing more homeless people on the street who they are trying to get into shelters.

There is currently an RFP out for an organization to run a warming shelter opening on January 1 at Northview and Grandview. In the past, the capacity has been about 30-35 people, and men only.

Mueller said his office is just as busy, but there are less emergency detentions and fewer dismissals. However, Mueller said he has seen an increase in 3-party petitions for alcohol abuse. Dresang added that there have been more 45-60 year-olds with substance abuse disorders coming through the ER.

OUTCOME 2:

Rutherford would like consistent meetings with all of the hospital facilities, as has been done with Waukesha Memorial Hospital. There is a concern with operational inconsistencies across the facilities, as it relates to the medical clearance process for emergency detentions. Rutherford said it would be helpful to have Mueller in attendance as well to reiterate the requirements of 51.15 and 51.45; however, it still may be difficult to get consistency since each hospital has their own attorneys.

Law enforcement should always contact crisis services whenever someone overdoses – whether it appears to be accidental or intentional. Ruzinski will talk to Madden regarding the CIT training and what is being taught to law enforcement.

Outcome 2 activities have been completed, but there needs to be a third Activity added regarding educating hospital staff and law enforcement on medical clearance protocol. This can be discussed at the next meeting with hospital staff.

Mueller left at 1:32 p.m.

OUTCOME 3:

Ruzinski stated that several departments sent officers to a recent CIT conference in the Dells. In addition, two of her Menomonee Falls officers are going to training at the end of this month to become CIT liaison officers so they can help Madden out with CIT training, instead of just relying on Sheriff's Deputy Kim Unger. There is also a CIT Community Collaborative meeting scheduled for December.

OUTCOME 4:

Activity 1 is completed.

Activity 2 will probably not meet the 12/31/16 deadline. Information on accidental overdoses will be added to this activity.

Activity 3 completion date will most likely need to be pushed back. "Diversion" is defined as diverting the patient out of an involuntary commitment.

OUTCOME 5:

Outcome 5 is the largest workgroup project and will consume the most time. Madden has been discussing the idea with partner organizations. This may also come up with the new CHIPP committee.

**Adjourn**

Motion: Baumann moved, second by Tess, to adjourn the meeting at 1:40 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.