

**Waukesha County Mental Health Center
Mental Health Advisory Committee Meeting (MHAC)
March 21, 2016**

Present MHAC Committee: Joan Sternweis, Karen McCue, Danielle Birdeau, Linda Cole, Shannon Hammer, Will Emslie, Cathy Friend, Maura McMahan, Cynthia Lilley, Mary Lodes, Terry Findley, Marybeth VanderMale, Mary Madden, Brad Haas

Excused: Shannon Stydahr, John Kettler, Colleen Gonzalez

Guests: Holly Norkowski, Jessica Grzybowski, Jen Cera

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:36 p.m. by Chair Madden. Introductions were exchanged amongst the committee members present. Diane Scheerer has asked to be removed as a member and come as a guest and she would like Jen Cera begin to attend this meeting as a member or guest? Linda Johnson will clarify with Diane Scheerer. Membership list will be updated and distributed at a future meeting.

- 2. Educational Segment – Discussion of Unmet Needs for 2017.** The presentation is on Thursday, March 24, 2016. Madden distributed a grid after the last brainstorming session of the unmet needs. A meeting was held on March 16, 2016 with chairs of the various advisory committees (ADRC, AODA, Public Health, and CAFSAC) to see where there may be overlap. In 2015, the Mental Health Advisory Committee co-presented with the AODA Advisory Committee to the Health and Human Services Board.

In referencing the grid that was shared, the AODA Advisory Committee supports the first three points under Access to Treatment. The AODA will also discuss a Request for Information for opiate detox options/alternatives, support for programming for adolescents, women, aging population, support for medication assisted therapies, support for naloxone to emergency responders, and a 2% increase to contracted providers.

Public Health Advisory Committee – The Public Health department is working to fill vacancies due to retirements, screening for illicit drugs for economic support programming, responding to outbreaks, seeking federal accreditation, and seeing to maintain a level II status as a provider.

Children and Family Services Advisory Committee -- The drug affected infant concerns were shared with the AODA Advisory Committee, trauma programming, single parent issues, need for dually certified staff, and requesting a 6% increase for contracted agencies.

Aging & Disability Resource Center (ADRC) – The ADRC reports dementia and Alzheimer's programming and will share the elderly programming goal with the AODA Advisory Committee. Other places where there were overlaps with the ADRC include transportation, caregiver support overlap with the parent peer support; having that lived in experience support for people who are in that caregiver role. Also affordable and accessible housing and all of the committees did have a common piece with suicide prevention task force.

Under column heading access, there are cultural access issues, technology connections for outreach, and access specifically for people residing in group homes. People living in shelters do not have access. The Workforce development center has a computer lab where you can do self teaching. ProHealth has a resource center and a couple of computers are available there. The issue of technology has come up for the past couple of years when doing the brainstorming for unmet needs.

Lodes noted the focus for the HHS Board is what is unmet so the board can make some informed decision that will then filter to the County Executive. Madden does see informing the Board of the barriers. There are a couple of unmet needs that the committee asks for each year: 1) To continue the array of medications that are available to Waukesha County residents including medicated assisted treatment for opiate users to enhance a proactive implementation of services. 2) To ensure that all contract agencies receive an increase to cover a cost of living adjustment and increase staff time for those contracts that are managing the newly imposed documentation standards associated with CCS and CRS. Madden with draft up language and forward to staff for feedback. Presentation is at 12:45 to the Health and Human Services Board on March 24, 2016.

3. **Review and Approval of Minutes**

MOTION: Birdeau moved, second by Cole to approve the January 25, 2016 minutes with wording corrections on page two under b. CCS committee was cancelled due to weather and on page three under d. Peer Specialist Committee. Cole moved, second by Findley to approve the February 15, 2016 minutes with wording corrections on page one under 2. Educational Segment, first paragraph, and page four under b. Discuss 2016 Educational Segments.

4. **Sub-Committee Reports**

a. **Board Liaison Report** – *Mary Lodes*

Lodes clarified her role with HHS Chair Paulson on providing legislative report. Upon recommendation from Chair Paulson, Lodes will coordinate with Sarah Spaeth, Waukesha County Board Office Legislative Policy Advisor for an educational segment in the month of June.

b. **CCS (Comprehensive Community Services) Coordinating Committee** – *Danielle Birdeau*

Due to meeting time constraint, no report was provided.

c. **COP (Community Options Program) Report** – *Danielle Birdeau*

Due to meeting time constraint, no report was provided.

d. **Peer Specialist Committee of Waukesha County** – *Cathy Friend*

Due to meeting time constraint, no report was provided.

e. **CHIPP (Community Health Improvement Progress Programs) Report** – *Mary Madden*

Due to meeting time constraint, no report was provided.

f. **Partnerships for Children's Mental Health** – *Laurie Kohler*

Due to meeting time constraint, no report was provided.

5. **Old Business**

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6. New Business

7. Other

A flyer was shared about the annual Waukesha County Health and Human Services Public Hearing, April 7, 2016, 7:00 p.m. at the HHS facility, Public Health department.

8. Adjourn

Lodes made a motion, second by Cole to adjourn the meeting at 3:11 p.m. The next meeting will be on Monday, April 18, 2016, 1:30 – 3:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Linda Johnson.

Minutes were approved *Linda Cole* Date *6-21-16*