

OPEN MEETING - MINUTES
Waukesha County Health and Human Services
Virtual Microsoft Teams Meeting
Children and Family Services Advisory Committee (CAFSAC)
February 18, 2021

Present CAFSAC Members: Kristin Agenten, Colleen Allen, Rob Jadrnicek, Lindsay Just, Sarah Matson, Maura McMahon, Mary Adele Revoy (Chair), Jessica Trauth, Dua Vang-Ramirez, Raquel Mehring, Karen Villarreal (Vice Chair)

Absent CAFSAC Members: Laura Cherone, Darlene Johnson, Luke Pinion, Renee Ramirez, Mary Sweeney

HHS Board Liaison: Bob Menefee

HHS Staff Liaisons: Kathy Mullooly, Ron Pupp

Guests: Sara Barron, Faith Holley Beal (proxy for Laura Cherone), Danielle Birdeau, Sarah Bloomquist, Jaime Dobner (proxy for Luke Pinion), Jessica Hannaman, Amanda Huber, Janelle McClain, Sarah Pfeiffle, Vickie Smith, Chelsey Wasielewski

1. Call to Order

Revoy called the meeting to order at 8:32 a.m.

McMahon and Jadrnicek arrived at 8:35 a.m.

2. Review and Approval of Minutes

Motion: Just moved, second by Mehring, to approve CAFSAC minutes of January 21, 2021.

Motion passed without a negative vote.

Matson arrived at 8:40 a.m.

3. Committee Business

a. Continue Discussion of Agenda Items for 2021

The March meeting will consist of a presentation from Bethany Christian Services and reviewing the finalized Critical Needs presentation for the HHS Board.

b. Recruiting a Consumer Representative Member

There has been no progress obtaining a consumer representative for the committee yet. The consumer representative member should be a family or parent who utilizes the services of Waukesha County Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) in the Child Welfare divisions. Membership will involve a couple of hours per month for the committee to get their input and to be a voice for others using HHS services.

4. Discussion of Critical Needs for Children & Family in Waukesha County

a. Survey Timeline

Revoy announced there have been 24 replies already received for the survey. The purpose of the survey is to ask what HHS can do for “you, your agency, employees, or clients.” The survey will be used as a checklist for what is needed, such as PPE, training, and access to service information for clients. Mullooly explained that the survey for last year’s presentation focused on COVID responses. This year, the survey is to assess the needs for the community apart from COVID. Mullooly will be sharing the survey results

from last year and this year's preliminary results with the new Director, Liz Aldred.

The tentative timeline for the survey is:

- March 1: Hannaman will send out a survey reminder
- March 10: Last day to submit answers
- March 11 and 12: Revooy will review the data and input the data onto the Critical Needs presentation slides
- March 16 (roughly): Survey results will be sent to committee members for review prior to the March 18 meeting

5. **Committee and Organization Updates**

a. **HHS Board Liaison**

The HHS Board meeting focused on the vaccine roll out. The next Board meeting will be the Critical Needs Presentation on March 18.

b. **HHS Staff Liaison**

Lisa Roberts will hold the Interim Deputy Director position until further notice.

i. **COVID-19 Updates**

Pupp reported 928 vaccines were administered yesterday and 1,002 last Wednesday. The clinic will be receiving 1,900 doses next week and another 1,200 on March 1. Wisconsin changed how doses are allocated and is now allowing ordering for 2 weeks rather than 1. By mid-March, the Community Vaccination Clinic should be offering vaccines 5-days per week. The 65 and older population continues to be the focus with approximately 35% of this group having received their first vaccines. The vaccines for the Phase 1B group will be starting closer to March. This phase will likely include schools as the priority but will also include grocery store workers, transportation, and non-essential front-line workers. There have been approximately 200 community members volunteering at the clinics. The volunteers are receiving HIPAA training and taking the HIPAA test.

A wait list process is now being utilized due to the volume of people trying to schedule a vaccination appointment. The names will be taken from the wait list and the person(s) will be contacted with the link to schedule their appointment. The names will stay on the wait list until they are contacted. The number of people being contacted will depend on the number of available appointments each day.

To sign up for the vaccination newsletter, go to: www.waukeshacounty.gov/covid19.

c. **Schools**

Dobner stated that the School District of Waukesha (SDW) has been at 5 days face-to-face for almost a month and it is going well. In some cases, the schools are having to get creative to increase engagement for students who are staying virtual.

Dobner explained the change in truancy letters and the referral process, as they related to how attendance is handled. This year, the staffs' focus is on students hitting the truancy numbers quicker, and efforts that can be done to ensure the students have proper resources to be engaged in virtual schooling.

There has been an increase in truancy referrals, but the schools are trying to work with the families first to figure out how they can help before sending a referral to the County. SDW has implemented an automated call procedure for students not participating virtually. If the student missed a virtual hour, the parent will receive a call stating that their child has not

checked in for one or more virtual classes. The call will also explain how parents can check their child's attendance on their own.

SDW has been able to provide several families with free hot spots for internet access. They are also working with various companies to help get internet fees waived.

6. Agency Updates/Announcements

Easter Seals is continuing to see families in person, but the majority is still virtual. Easter Seals staff has not been able to get vaccinated yet.

McMahon left at 9:11 a.m.

Birdeau stated that, while the HHS Clinical Services Division has provided some in-person services lately, they will be returning to all in-person services by the end of March. Telehealth strategies will continue to be available for clients that are not comfortable with coming to the clinic in-person – if there is a need and the available resources.

The Crisis Team has resumed some in-person services, and they are continuing to work with NAMI on prevention efforts such as Question, Persuade, Refer (QPR) and suicide prevention training. Resource information for children and families, as well as the Waukesha County Suicide Prevention Initiative, can be located at: www.mentalhealthconnection.life. The Youth Crisis Grant is being utilized to provide virtual presentations at schools for suicide prevention. There is also a Parent-Peer Navigator to help families with children with mental health issues get connected to services.

Addiction Resource Council (ARC) is working with a representative from Vivant Health for the syringe exchange program. Contact Vivant Health directly at 414-429-9701 to set up an appointment.

7. Moms and Postpartum Depression – Sarah Bloomquist, Executive Director, Moms Mental Health Initiative

Bloomquist displayed and reviewed a PowerPoint presentation titled “Helping Moms in Southeastern, WI Area Navigate PPD.”

For questions or referrals, contact MMHI at:

- E-mail: info@mmhimke.org
- Facebook: mmhi.mke
- Instagram: @momsmentalhealthmke
- Twitter: mmhimke

8. Discuss Agenda Items for Next Meeting

- Review Critical Needs Presentation PowerPoint

9. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

10. Adjourn

Motion: Villarreal moved, second by Allen, to adjourn the meeting at 10:00 a.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Jessica Hannaman.

Minutes were approved on March 18, 2021.