

OPEN MEETING MINUTES
Waukesha County Health and Human Services
Virtual Microsoft Teams Meeting
Mental Health Advisory Committee (MHAC)
February 15, 2021

Present MHAC Committee: Susie Austin, Pauline Glainyk-Buehler, Amanda Huber, Amy Machgan, Mary Madden (Chair), Maura McMahon, Rachel Sauer, Jena Scherer, Shannon Stydahar

Absent MHAC Committee: TJ Findley (Vice Chair), Cathy Friend, Shannon Hammer, Helen Prozeller

Present HHS Board Liaison: Vicki Dallmann-Papke

Present HHS Staff Liaison: Kirk Yauchler

Guests: Danielle Birdeau, Mary Flynn, Brea Lopez, Janelle McClain, John Morrell, Stephanie Heinzelmann

1. Call to Order

Chair Madden called the meeting to order at 1:31 p.m. Introductions were exchanged among the committee members and guests.

2. Review and Approval of Minutes

Motion: Austin moved, second by Huber, to approve the Joint Mental Health and Substance Use Advisory Committees minutes of January 11, 2021. Motion passed without a negative vote.

3. Committee Business

There was no committee business.

4. Community Needs Discussion for Annual 2021 HHS Board Presentation

The annual presentation will be held on March 18 in the afternoon

Attendees agreed that continuing to co-present with the Substance Use Advisory Committee (SUAC) is advantageous due to co-existing disorders being so prevalent, the co-presenting will eliminate any topic duplication.

The Community Needs Presentation will consist of:

- Access to Services
 - Residential treatment benefit for Medicaid recipients
 - General education regarding warning signs and when/how to seek help
- Housing Stability

Madden will work with SUAC Chair, Lindsay Just, over the course of the next month to put the final presentation together. She will then present it to MHAC at the March meeting.

5. Committee and Organizational Updates

a. HHS Board Liaison Report

The HHS Board has been focused on discussing the COVID-19 vaccination deployment around the county.

b. HHS Staff Liaison Report

HHS has been busy with the COVID-19 vaccination process, with staff from all divisions working at the mass clinics at the Expo Center. COVID-19 information, including vaccine data, can be found at <https://www.waukeshacounty.gov/covid19>.

The Outpatient Clinic is continuing to safely add more in-person services, including providing telehealth services. By the end of March, telephonic services will no longer be used unless there is no other option, such as if the client is quarantined.

The Homeless Outreach Workgroup has been meeting every other week for the past month and a half. They are created a template to outline the services that each division provides and that would be a benefit to a homeless family.

Waukesha County was awarded the 5-year Urban Rural Women's Substance Use Treatment Services Grant, allowing HHS to take on the role as the hub for coordinating the execution of the Women's Health and Recovery Project (WHARP) model for the county.

c. Comprehensive Community Services (CCS) Coordinating Committee

At January's meeting, Clubhouse presented about the services that they offer.

The next meeting will be in March.

d. Coordinated Services Team (CST)

At the meeting next week, the CST will discuss the service array that is being expanded.

The CST program has been recertified for two years.

e. Peer Specialists of Waukesha County

The Peer Specialists have not met since before COVID. Austin would like to set up a Zoom meeting, but nothing has been scheduled as of yet.

The new curriculum is starting March, and Austin is looking at ways to bring a training to Waukesha.

f. Community Health Improvement Planning Process (CHIPP) Report

Quarterly meetings continue to be held for the Suicide Prevention Initiative, as well as regularly scheduled Question, Persuade, Refer (QPR) sessions.

The Heroin Task Force (HTF) has not met for some time. The HTF Steering Committee has met to discuss how to relaunch, and how the HTF would be structured. There will be a community summit for the partners that historically assisted with the HTF.

g. Suicide Prevention Initiative

The next meeting will be on March 16 from 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. on Zoom.

6. Agency Updates / Announcements

Machgan provided the following updates regarding Waukesha County Technical College:

- Next term begins March 22
- Virtual Open House on March 30
- New president, Dr. Rich Barnhouse

Through the partnership with the Jed Foundation, WCTC has four teams working on variety of projects, including policies that the college has regarding mental health and substance abuse.

ProHealth Care is seeing a high demand for mental health services.

Lutheran Social Services (LSS) has begun holding vaccine clinics and is working on education for everyone regarding the vaccine.

A new veterans peer run respite center with four beds, operated by Mental Health of America, has opened in Pewaukee.

Friendships has used the pandemic “downtime” to freshen the building’s environment with new furniture, fresh coats of paint, etc.

Waukesha County and Friendships are beginning conversations to serve CCS youth aged 15-17 years old with the transition from youth to adult services.

7. Discuss Agenda Items for Next Meeting

- Counseling and Wellness Unit with Amanda Huber
- Review final presentation for Community Needs presentation

8. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

9. Adjourn

Motion: Huber moved, second by McMahon, to adjourn the meeting at 2:54 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Janelle McClain.

Minutes Were Approved March 15, 2021.