



WRAPAROUND MILWAUKEE

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Wraparound Success Story...



Angel* was enrolled in the Wraparound Milwaukee REACH program on August 8, 2009, at the request of her mother, who felt that she needed extra assistance to deal with Angel's behavior. At the time of enrollment, Angel was struggling in school behaviorally, as well as academically. She also struggled socially and emotionally at school and home, and frequently spoke of harming herself and others. The dynamics in the family's home also posed a challenge because of Angel's relationship with her stepfather and the lack of communication and trust between the two of them. Angel's mother found herself at a loss and stressed-out from dealing with Angel, her husband and her other children in the home – one of whom is diagnosed with autism.

A child and family team was formed to wrap support around Angel and her family, to assist with the issues that Angel was having. Angel was enrolled in a new school, to be given a fresh start as the new school year began. An Individual Education Plan was developed immediately to determine Angel's academic needs and a plan was put in place to allow her to obtain the help that she needed academically. The teachers recognized Angel's leadership abilities right away and began putting her in positions of leadership in the classroom to strengthen her social skills. The child and family team determined that therapy was needed and she was referred for individual therapy. She successfully completed their social skills group and involved herself in activities at the school, such as chess and math club. Her attendance and grades have improved and Angel has developed friendships with several students. The school continually informs the team of how well Angel is doing.

As Angel prepares for disenrollment from the program in the next few months, the family is feeling better about the progression that has been made. The family will continue with family therapy, learning new skills to handle conflict in a more positive way. The child and family team has begun assisting the family with identifying resources in the community that can be utilized once disenrollment occurs. Angel is a good

example of how positive connections and a positive attitude can assist in changing a person's life.

(* Name changed for confidentiality.)

Submitted by REACH - AJA Counseling Center



Youth Council...



Over the past few months the Youth Council has continued to hold bi-weekly planning meetings and monthly events. During the month of January, the Youth Council held a bowling event during an off day of school that was well attended. In February, the Milwaukee Bucks donated 50 tickets for the February 17th game and 30 youth attended along with chaperones. The Youth Council board also agreed to order new promotional items that included water bottles and long sleeve shirts.

The Youth Council is currently organizing a Wraparound Milwaukee wide talent show. This talent show is scheduled to be held on April 21st at the Modjeska Theater. The Youth Council board, along with the other care coordination agencies, is looking for youth that want to share their talents. There is a rehearsal/planning session scheduled for March 18th, to help organize and make sure this event runs smoothly. Since February, this has been the driving force of the Youth Council, in hopes of making this an extremely special event.

Brian McBride, St Charles Youth & Family

Daylight Savings begins March 14th



Mobile Crisis...

In February, the Mobile Urgent Treatment Team for Treatment Foster Care (MUTT-TFC) participated in its first dialogue and training with treatment foster parents. This training, put on by Fresh Start, was a success as staff Marlow Fowlkes-Ware and Courtney

Matthews led the discussion with the treatment foster care parents. MUTT-TFC staff will also attend a systems' wide meeting at the Bureau of Milwaukee Child Welfare – Region 2 this week, to continue communication and feedback on needs and strategies in this area.

The Mobile Urgent Treatment Team for Foster Families (MUTT-FF) is also collaborating with the three Bureau of Milwaukee Child Welfare regions on how to facilitate partnering, and better address the needs of foster care youth.

Finally, I was invited to appear in the local media to relate information to parents about teen self-harm. This segment was also depicted on MSNBC.com, in a story entitled “Teen Suicide: What Parents Need to Know.”

Dr. Chris Morano, Mobile Crisis Director

Quality Assurance...

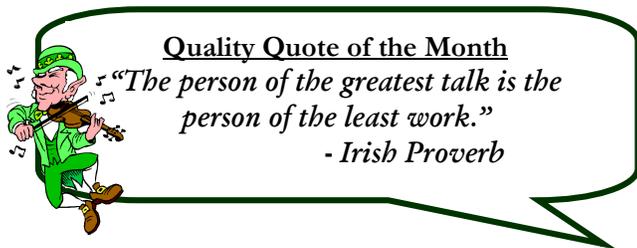


Website Update

Updates have recently been made to the Quality Assurance area of the Wraparound Milwaukee website at www.county.milwaukee.gov - search “Wraparound Milwaukee”. The 2010 QA Mission Statement, Flow Chart and QA Program Description and Work Plan are now available for viewing. The last two Semi-Annual QA Reports are also available for downloading. Take a look!

If you have any questions or suggestions, please feel free to give me a call at (414) 257-7608 or email me at pam.erdman@milwcnty.com.

Pamela Erdman, QA/QI Director



Provider Network...

Resource Fair

The Wraparound Milwaukee Provider Network Resource Fair will be held on June 18, 2010, at the Zoofari Conference Center. Network Providers interested in participating in the Fair should save the

date. Additional information will be announced at a later date.

Provider Applications being Accepted

The Wraparound Milwaukee Provider Network is currently accepting applications for After School Programs, Recreation Programming (full/half day), Behavioral Health and AODA services. Agencies interested in applying to join the Provider Network in offering these services can contact Theresa Randall at (414) 257-8108 to request an application.

Theresa Randall, Provider Network



Happy St. Patrick's Day

Announcements...

Positive Recognition Awards

The following have been recipients of “Positive Recognition” awards:

Mike Dale – MD Behavioral Health

Nominated by Sammy T. Storm - Parent

“Mike has provided exceptional support and demonstrated incredible commitment to my son and our family. He has flexed his schedule to ensure we receive all the family therapy support we needed during difficult times. I believe Mike’s efforts and dedication are one of the primary factors in my son’s dramatic turnaround, and his probable return home. Mike has an incredible gift for connecting with my son and has been able to get to the root of several deep seated issues affecting my son’s negative behaviors.”

Amy Barth – Bureau of Milwaukee Child Welfare

Nominated by Melanie Fleischmann – Wraparound

“Amy has ability to form trusting relationships with her families. She’s honest and caring. Amy is accessible to her families – truly forms a partnership with them in order to create change :)”

Upcoming Events...



APRIL 2010

Apr. 1 Mgmt./Supervisors Meeting
8:15-10:00am with Pat Miles
WM – Room 416

Apr. 1 WM Management Meeting
10:15-12:00pm with Pat Miles
WM – Room 416

Apr. 1 High Risk Reviews
11:00-1:00pm WM – Room 253

Apr. 1 Monthly Care Coordinator Mtg.
1:00-4:00pm with Pat Miles
CHP Auditorium

Apr. 6 New Care Coord. Trg. – M10
8:30-12:00pm WM – Room 416

Apr. 7 New Care Coord. Trg. – M11
8:30-12:00pm WM – Room 416

Apr. 7 DHHS Centralized QA Mtg.
9:00-11:00am WM – Room 212

Apr. 8 High Risk Reviews
11:00-1:00pm WM – Room 253

Apr. 10 Family Orientation
11:00-12:30pm WM – Cafeteria

Apr. 13 New Care Coord. Trg. – M12
8:30-12:00pm WM – Room 416

Apr. 14 Child Psych. Cons. – St. Charles
12:00-1:00pm WM – Room 253

Apr. 15 Mgmt./Supervisors Meeting
8:15-10:00am WM – Room 416

Apr. 15 High Risk Reviews
11:00-1:00pm WM – Room 253

Apr. 21 Partnership Council Meeting
11:30-1:30pm WM – Room 212

Apr. 22 High Risk Reviews
11:00-1:00pm WM – Room 253

Apr. 26 WM/Group Home Meeting
9:30-12:00pm WM – Room 416

Apr. 28 Child Psych. Cons. – R-St. A's
12:00-1:00pm WM – Room 253

Apr. 29 High Risk Reviews
11:00-1:00pm WM – Room 253



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keywords "Wraparound Milwaukee".



Greater Milwaukee Major Events



3/13-3/14	Indian Summer Fest. Winter Pow Wow	Wisconsin State Fair Park	(414) 604-1000
3/13	Blarney Run/Walk	Village of Wauwatosa	(414) 479-8900
3/13	Downtown St. Patrick's Day Parade	Downtown Milwaukee	(414) 276-6696
5/9	National Night Out Pancake Breakfast	Village of Wauwatosa	(414) 479-8900