



**Mental Health Committee**

Monday, February 3, 2020, 2:00 pm

Milwaukee County Courthouse, Room 306

**Meeting Minutes:**

**Attendees:** Tom Reed, Mandy Potapenko, Mike Lappen, Paul Mozina, Joseph Ellwanger, Paul Mozina, Eugene Barufkin, James Feagles, Lisa Procaccio, Christine Apple, Ken, Claire Starling, Barbara Beckert, Pete Koneazny, Erin Quant, Jay Ehlers, Kimberly Krawczyk, Colleen Dublinski, Rose Stietz, Amy Lovell, Maya (NATAL), Pam Matthews, Alyssa Doman, Erin Perkins (phone)

**1) Welcome and Introductions** – Committee Co-Chair Reed called the meeting to order at 2:04 pm. Those present provided introductions. Chair Reed introduced Ms. Amy Lovell with the Scaling Wellness in Milwaukee (SWIM) Initiative. The SWIM collaborative contracted with NATAL to participate today and engage in learning more about the prevalence, history, and root causes of trauma within the City of Milwaukee. NATAL, based in Israel, specializes in war-and-terror-related trauma and provides trauma-informed care.

**2) Discussion with NATAL Israel** - NATAL representatives provided an overview of their program and technical assistance programs. They recently partnered with the City of Chicago to support the neighborhoods experiencing increasing levels of violence on the south side. The discussion turned into a dialogue between NATAL and attendees on the dynamics, needs, and concerns within Milwaukee.

**3) Standing Updates** – Due to time limitations, each partner/attendee provided brief updates. BHD announced the launch of their third CART starting today; this allows for service 7 days/week and extended hours. The Psychiatric Crisis Redesign has a contract moving forward for community engagement after six months of discussions, with focus groups for the crisis continuum to be active listeners and get well-documented community feedback about the redesign within the next eight weeks. Committee members can anticipate being included in the upcoming dialogue and input sessions. Team Connect is now remotely working from Progressive Community Health. This Clinical Social Worker and Peer Support team provide follow-up support and outreach to individuals who have had contact with psychiatric crisis services.

**4) Other Business/Announcements** – None noted; however, it was requested that the committee discuss housing challenges for individuals with mental health conditions at a future meeting.

**5) Adjourn** – Meeting adjourned at 3:33 pm. Next meeting scheduled for Monday, March 2, 2020, at 2:00pm in Room 306 of the Courthouse.