



Mental Health Committee Minutes:

Monday, October 2nd, 2017 – 2:00pm
Safety Building, Room 607

Attendees: Tom Reed, Mike Lappen, Justin Kuehl, Brian Michel, Barbara Beckert, Christine Apple, Terri Ellzey, Colleen Dublinski, Rose Stietz, Patrick Roberts, Nateia Tolefree

Meeting Called to Order at 2:03pm

- i.) **MacArthur Foundation Safety and Justice Challenge Updates** – the group discussed the current data related to the newly implemented post-booking stabilization program. The PBS workgroup continues to flesh out a framework/process-map to articulate how individuals will flow through the PBS program.
- ii.) **Local/State/National Trends and Happenings** – the group discussed two bills that would create changes to the Chapter 51 rules. Mike Lappen outlined a recent interaction he had with the Hennepin County Assertive Community Treatment (ACT) team. He is interested in bringing this to Milwaukee County and will share detailed information with the group. Barbara Beckert noted that veterans peer-run respite funding should be moving forward with a proposal in 2018. She also noted changes are being made to SSI/Medicaid, no longer allowing individuals to opt-out of a HMO; must enroll in a managed-care provider. Lastly, the group also discussed the shortage in certified peer-specialists in the State of Wisconsin.
- iii.) **Treatment to Competency Updates** – Mandy reviewed the waitlist information provided by Adam Oldenburg. Waitlist numbers are up, which continues to be concerning. Many Milwaukee County cases are receiving forthwith orders, which mandate treatment immediately putting those individuals ahead of all others on the waitlist. It was noted during discussion that it costs \$1289/day for treatment to competency at Mendota.
- iv.) **Equitas Foundation – Milwaukee Summit – October 11, 2017 at the Medical College of Wisconsin** – Tom and Mandy reminded the group of the upcoming
- v.) **Other Business/Announcements** – Barbara Beckert shared information on the open enrollment helpline for Medicare drug benefit information, as well as a training and the upcoming DRW 40th anniversary dinner event.

Meeting adjourned at 3:45pm.

Next Meeting: Monday, November 6th, 2pm, Safety Building Room 607