

Mental Illness and Drug Dependency (MIDD) Advisory Committee (AC) Meeting Notes September 24, 2020, 12:00-1:30 p.m., Meeting held via Zoom

Members/ Designees: Co-Chair Claudia D'Allegri, Co-Chair Judge Ketu Shah, Ann McGettigan, Councilmember Brenda Fincher, Councilmember Kathy Lambert, Mayor Lynne Robinson, Barbara Miner, Leo Flor, Jeff Sakuma, Joshua Wallace, Karen Brady, Katherine Switz, Kailey Fiedler-Gohlke, Kelli Carrol, Mario Paredes, Brad Finegood designee for Patty Hayes,

Leesa Manion designee for Dan Satterberg, Tara Urs designee for Anita Khandelwal

Other Attendees: Councilmember Gary Harris, Kelli Nomura, Isabel Jones, Robin Pfohman, Suamhirs Piraino-Guzman, Kimberly Cisson, Greg Brooks, Steve Andryszewski, Barb Donohue, Sherry McCabe, Margaret Soukop, Susan Schoeld, Deborah Stake, Debra Srebnik, Shonita Savage, Amy Decker, Lauren Vlas, Dave Murphy, Trenecsia Wilson, Jorene Reiber, Kapena Pflum, Laura Evans, Christina Mason, Sam Porter, Scott Miller, Michele Meaker, Heather Venegas, Brigitte Fields, Laura Van Tosh, Callista Welbaum, Jackie Berganio, Dwight Dively, Chan Saelee, Laura Merchant, Helena Stephens, Angela Dannenbring, Madeline Cavazos, Larry Evans, Patty Noble-Desy, Beverly, Peggy P, Emmy, Lan Nguyen, Zoe Barlow, Steve Gustaveson, Denise Hawthorne, Carolanne Sanders, Alex O'Reilly, Sunny Lovin, Elly, Laura Smith,

Beverly Chase, Lisa Floyd, Alexis Mercedes Rinck, Dylan Brown

Notes by: Greg Brooks

Issues	Discussion	Action Items:
Welcome	Co-Chair Judge Ketu Shah began the meeting by welcoming everyone and reminding anyone interested in making public comments to sign themselves in.	
Member/Staff Announcements	Ann McGettigan announced that the Seattle Counseling Service has moved to a new location in Downtown Seattle on 6 th Ave. Traditionally serving in the Capitol Hill area, the new move has landed them next Amazon. Joshua Wallace announced that Peer Kent will officially launch next week. The site is staffed and operating, and albeit without a grand opening, Peer Kent looks forward to offering its services. Callista Welbaum informed everyone that the King County District Court is offering Virtual Resource Centers to everyone. These Resource Centers	
	typically include 15-20 service providers and take place on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons. More information on this will be shared with Robin, please reach out if you're interested in learning more.	
Review/Approve Meeting Notes	The July meeting notes were approved by consensus.	
Public Comment	Laura Van Tosh reminded everyone that the Washington State Eviction Moratorium is set to expire on Oct. 15 th . This has saved many households from facing eviction, and there is an effort to encourage Gov. Jay Inslee to extend the moratorium through March of 2021.	
Update and Discussion: Executive Proposed Budget for MIDD	Dwight Dively presented how the MIDD sales tax will be impacted in the next biennium. Information was presented on the impact COVID-19 has had on employment, showing a trend that all sectors have decreased. Although some sectors have bounced back, the overall pattern shows a moderate decline. The sectors with the largest rates of decline, also happen to be the sectors that garner the highest rates of sales tax – such as restaurant and tourist industries.	

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Dwight stated that the March revenue forecast for 2020-2022 MIDD sales tax was projected at \$237.4 million, however despite a drastically low interim forecast in May, the official August forecast for the same 3-year period projects \$204.7 million.

King County Executive Dow Constantine submitted his budget to the King County Council on September 22nd. The Council will hold a series of hearings, reviews, staff reports, and public comment. Their goal is to vote on a final budget Nov. 17th.

Leo Flor began by thanking everyone for the work that was put into identifying the MIDD AC Guiding Principles. These principles were key in strategically minimizing reductions and ensuring continuity of programs. Among the principles, there was none more important than the promotion of Equity and Social Justice.

Leo mentioned some major strategic changes, including RR-03 Housing Capital and Rental seeing an 88% reduction, CD-15 Wraparound Services for Youth seeing a 45% reduction, RR-07 Behavioral Health Risk Assessment Tool for Adult Detention facing a 45% reduction, and RR-09 Recovery Café facing a 100% reduction. Leo also mentioned that not every initiative was reduced. The GAINS Intercept Model, and prioritizing community connections were also factors in these determinations, which were made using all the aforementioned strategies. The total number of reductions reached \$20.8 million, just shy of the \$21 million goal.

There was a question about cuts to youth programs, specifically Wraparound. Leo shared that with the state-funded part of the initiative being transferred to the Managed Care Organizations that the MIDD dollars are no longer supporting the Medicaid programming.

There was a question about housing in the Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion program. What MIDD will fund within LEAD was still under development.

There was a question if sexual assault behavioral health services had funding reductions. There is a 13% proposed reduction to that initiative.

There was a question if reductions were to baseline amounts. Yes, the 2021-2022 reductions were to baseline amounts. They are not additive to 2020 reductions.

MIDD Financial Report

Barb Donohue explained that the major changes to the 2019-202 Estimated Budget of the Financial Plan were due to the most recent Office of Economic and Financial Analysis (OEFA) forecast. This has resulted in a \$10 million increase in the current biennium. Use of Rainy-Day Reserves has remained unchanged at \$7 million.

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MIDD Data Dashboard: Preview	Halima Lozano introduced the MIDD Data Dashboard and explained how it will be replacing the MIDD Technical Supplement. This will make the methodologies used more transparent and will make navigation through the results of MIDD-funded programs. The goal of the dashboard is to make all of this information more user-friendly. The dashboard includes how MIDD is evaluated, which performance measures are used, what long term system use is, and what data sources are used. The dashboard will go live in quarter four in 2020. There was a question about the availability of data based on geography. The plan is to add geographic information to next year's dashboard. There was a question about focus groups for feedback. Yes, focus groups were conducted to get feedback on the dashboard.	
MIDD Steering Committee Report	Brad Finegood announced that the work of the Steering Committee to define the process of recruitment for filling empty MIDD membership positions. Currently, the culturally specific mental health provider representative position is opening, and the Steering Committee is looking to fill that role using all of the values and MIDD principles aforementioned. This re-defined process aims to be more transparent. Brad also addressed an email from Laura Van Tosh about the role of peers in MIDD. The Steering Committee is looking into ways to include peer voices.	
MIDD Staff Report	Suamhirs Piraino-Guzman announced that the Requests for Proposals (RFP) release dates for SI-01 MIDD Community-Driven Behavioral Health Services Grant and the SI-02 MIDD Behavioral Health Services in Rural King County Grant are approaching. Suamhirs took the time to thank everyone who has taken part to develop the implementation process. Funding will run tentatively through 2022 – making them two-year funding opportunities. Through the biennium there is approximately \$680,000 available for SI-02 and approximately \$700,000 available for SI-01.	
Agenda Items for July Meeting	Please email Robin Pfohman with any desired agenda items for the October meeting.	
Adjourned	1:30 PM	
Next meeting	Thursday, October 22nd, 2020, 12:00-1:30 p.m., Zoom	

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