

Mental Illness and Drug Dependency (MIDD) Advisory Committee (AC) Meeting Notes August 22nd, 2019, 12:15-1:45 p.m., Chinook Building, Room 121

Members/ Designees: Co-Chair Claudia D'Allegri, Co-Chair Judge Laura Inveen, Judge Ketu Shah, Ann McGettigan, Anthony Austin, Councilmember Dave Asher, Councilmember Jeanne Kohl-Welles, Jeff Sakuma, Jess Molberg, Kailey Fiedler-Gohlke, Laura Smith, Deputy Mayor Lynne Robinson, Cody West designee for Joshua Wallace, Kellie Rogers designee for Idabelle Fosse, Leesa Manion designee for Dan Satterberg, Mary Taylor designee for Barbara Miner, Tara Urs designee for Anita Khandelwal

Other Attendees: Kimberly Cisson, Brenda Fincher designee for Councilmember Dave Asher, Helena Stephens designee for Deputy Mayor Lynne Robinson, Barb Donohue, Kelli Nomura, Lisa Floyd, Steve Gustaveson, Susan Schoeld, Jesse Benet, Alissa Latimer, Greg Brooks, Mike Mathias, Meagan Terlip, Callista Wellbaum, Emmy McConnell, Sydney Brownstone, Sam Porter, Laura Van Tosh, Christy Stangland, Peggy Dolane, Graydon Andrus, Scott Miller, Brian Parry, Alexis Mercedes

Notes by: Greg Brooks

Issues	Discussion	Action Items:
Welcome	Co-chair Claudia D'Allegri welcomed all attendees and led introductions around the table.	
	Co-chair D'Allegri reminded everyone to silence phones and sign-in for public comments.	
Member/Staff Announcements	Co-chair D'Allegri announced the change of order in the agenda. The public comment will now occur at the beginning of the meeting.	
	Kimberly Cisson shared that the 2018 MIDD Annual Report went to council following the previous MIDD AC meeting. Printed copies will be available at the end of August. Let Kimberly know if you want any hardcopies before the next AC meeting.	
	Tara Urs announced a new video on the Public Defense website available for families currently dealing with the child welfare system.	
Public Comment	Mike Mathias, the Operations Manager for NAMI Eastside, discussed the benefits of groups and how this has resulted in better mental health, lowered rates of depression and suicide through decreasing isolation. Participants also experience increased rates of employment and median income levels, and a reduced risk of repeated offenses or incarceration. Mike suggested that the County support the provision of these services.	
	Peggy Dolane expressed positive feedback on the change of order regarding public comment. Peggy shared that House Bill 1874 passed, allowing parental consent for their children's mental health ages 13-17, and the sharing of clinically appropriate information with the parents of adolescents. There is a training on this topic on Thursday, August 29 th from 1:30-2:30 for agencies and family members. It will be recorded and available to the public following the training.	
	Laura Van Tosh shared appreciation in having the public comment at the beginning of the meeting. She identified that there are people currently	

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	hospitalized at Western State Hospital that are not being released due to lack of services in the community. She asked the committee look into that issue.	
	Co-Chair D'Allegri and Kimberly Cisson honored Co-Chair Judge Laura Inveen with an acknowledgment for her service to MIDD as a Co-Chair. Co-Chair Judge Inveen acknowledged this will be her last MIDD AC meeting.	
Review/Approve Meeting Notes	July 25, 2019 meeting notes were approved with no corrections.	
MIDD Financial Report	Barb Donohue announced an update regarding the Office of Economic and Financial Analysis, and their revenue forecast as of July, 2019. The forecast projects an additional \$2 million in MIDD revenue. This has resulted in the creation of an undelegated fund balance which has temporarily been placed in reserve for adult crisis services.	
Steering Committee Report	Co-Chair D'Allegri discussed the events of the last meeting including a call for increase in funding to both Supported Employment and Crisis Connections.	
Modification Review: Crisis Solutions Center	Susan Schoeld discussed the Crisis Solutions Center as a diversion service for hospitals or jails, and how it addresses ongoing behavioral health needs. There is a three tiered program including the Mobile Crisis Team which operates 24/7, the Crisis Diversion Facility, a three day stay facility, and Crisis Diversion Interim Services for up to two weeks for people that need more intensive stabilization services.	
	The Crisis Solutions Center has improved their methods through providing stabilization services, intensive case management, and a warm handoff process.	
	Only 47% of people served are Medicaid eligible. MIDD dollars cover the cost for the non-Medicaid patients who receive these services. Starting in 2017 the budget changed due to expectations of more Medicaid funding for the programs which was an overestimation of what the programs have been able to realize. Susan stated that the Crisis Solutions Center maintains over 100 employees and a 24/7 schedule. Increasing costs and the underestimate of needed MIDD funding explain the need for the budget request.	
	Susan answered questions about enrolling participants in Medicaid, engagement and linkage to services.	
	Co-Chair D'Allegri asked if the funds request would support current staff or new staff. Graydon Andrus answered, stating the hardest challenge has been providing competitive salaries. Higher salaries have already led to higher job retention and effectiveness.	
	Co-Chair D'Allegri announced that the AC will be taking action on this modification in the September meeting.	
Modification Review: Supported Employment	Lisa Floyd started by sharing an experience about a vocational specialist encountering a former program participant.	

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Lisa noted that the Supported Employment Program is an evidence based practice program with an outcome based payment methodology. SEP serves from 800 to 900 individuals per year, and operates using a fidelity based model, leading to higher job placement. This program includes a one year follow up for all participants.

Lisa mentioned that SEP participants have increased housing stability, reduced psychiatric symptoms and psychiatric hospitalizations, increased retention, increased chances for successful treatment outcome, and ultimately that employment improves lives. Two critical components of SEP are a low staff turnover and zero exclusion. Lisa included that there have been 25% more job placements as of June 2019.

Deputy Mayor Robinson suggested that the AC should recommend more funding into the SEP and asked about the level of services on the eastside.

There was a suggestion that the services be increased to reach across all of King County, including unincorporated areas if funding is expanded.

There was a question about the eligibility of non-Medicaid individuals. Lisa answered that some Medicaid and Non-Medicaid recipients are eligible and currently participating. The youth program is starting.

Co-Chair D'Allegri had a question about how these programs support individuals who have English as a second language.

Lisa will check into how interpreter services are covered.

Integrated Managed Care Update

Kelli Nomura began by explaining the purpose of Integrated Managed Care, and how it is a system change led by BHRD in partnership with the Washington State Health Care Authority and Managed Care Organizations.

Beginning in January, Medicaid dollars went from the state to five managed care programs: Coordinated Care, United Healthcare, Community Health Plans of WA, Molina, & Amerigroup. By working with the five Managed Care Organizations to create the Integrated Care Network, King County plays an administrative role in support of providers. Because of this process, providers no longer need to maintain five different contracts.

Currently the network consists of behavioral health agencies that provide outpatient mental health and substance use disorder treatment, substance use disorder residential treatment, mental health residential and housing. The provider network is consistently looking into population health management, new models of care, and how to incorporate best practices.

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	King County is looking to continue this partnership with negotiations currently on track for three Managed Care Organizations, and working on negotiations with the remaining two.	
	Kelli answered some questions about provider participation in the network and administrative funding of BHRD's coordinating role.	
	Judge Co-Chair Inveen adjourned the meeting.	
Adjourned	1:45 PM	
Next meeting	Thursday, September 26th, 2019, 12:15-1:45 p.m., Chinook Room 121	

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