

Mental Illness and Drug Dependency (MIDD) Advisory Committee (AC) Meeting Notes September 26th, 2019, 12:15-1:45 p.m., Chinook Building, Room 121

Members/ Designees: Co-Chair Claudia D'Allegri, Co-Chair Judge Ketu Shah, Anthony Austin, Barbara Miner, Fartun Mohamed, Idabelle Fosse, Jeff Sakuma, Joshua Wallace, Karen Brady, Katherine Switz, Kelli Carroll, Kira Zylstra, Laura Merchant, Laura Smith, Lea Ennis, Judge Lisa Paglisotti, Mario Paredes (on phone), Councilmember Brenda Fincher designee for Councilmember Dave Asher, Danielle Burt designee for Kailey Fiedler-Gohlke, Judge Donna Tucker designee for Judge Lisa Paglisotti, Helena Stephens designee for Deputy Mayor Lynne Robinson, Ingrid Ulrey designee for Patty Hayes, Leesa Manion designee for Dan Satterberg, Michele Meaker designee for Muguette Guenneguez, Tara Urs designee for Anita Khandelwal

Other Attendees: Chris Verschuyl, Kimberly Cisson, Kelli Nomura, Lisa Floyd, Steve Andryszewski, Susan Schoeld, Jesse Benet, Jennifer Coldiron, Alissa Latimer, Greg Brooks, Kellie Rogers designee for Idabelle Fosse, Andrew Kim, Anneleen Severynen, Alexis Mercedes Rinck, Callista Wellbaum, Emmy McConnell, Halima Freudberg, Laura Van Tosh (on phone)

Notes by: Greg Brooks

| Issues | Discussion | Action Items: |
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| Welcome | Co-chair Judge Ketu Shah welcomed all attendees and led introductions around the table. | |
| | Co-chair Judge Shah reminded everyone to sign up for public comment. | |
| Member/Staff Announcements | Chris Verschuyl announced he is transitioning into a new role in the Department of Community and Human Services, and that this will be his last meeting as MIDD staff. | |
| | Kelli Nomura announced that the vacant MIDD Coordinator position has been filled and will be announced at a later date | |
| | Kimberly Cisson announced that the hard copies of the MIDD 2018 Annual Report have arrived. Let Kimberly know if you need any extra copies. | |
| | Michele Meaker invited everyone to NAMI's annual Stepping into the Light gala brunch on October 12 th . | |
| | Barbara Miner invited everyone to the 25 th anniversary event for the King County Adult Drug Court at 3:00 PM on October 30 th . | |
| | Idabelle Fosse announced this will be her last meeting as she is transitioning into a new role with the YWCA. Kellie Rogers will fill in as Idabelle's replacement. | |
| | Judge Lisa Paglisotti invited everyone to the 20 th anniversary event for the King County Mental Health Court at 1:00 PM on October 10 th . | |
| | Ingrid Ulrey invited everyone to the Public Health community convening at 1:00 PM on September 30 th . Contact Ingrid for more information. | |
| Public Comment | Laura Van Tosh has asked that MIDD look further into the patients at Western State Hospital who have been cleared to be discharged but are not | |

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| _ | being allowed to leave. Laura also encouraged the peers to get engaged in the legislative priority setting for King County, as well she emphasized the importance of peer involvement in program planning. | |
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| Review/Approve Meeting Notes | Co-chair Judge Shah stated there was a request to clarify the public comment section, specifically indicating on page two "Identifying people that are currently hospitalized," with the clarification that this is occurring specifically at Western State Hospital. | |
| | The August meeting minutes were approved by consensus. | |
| MIDD Financial Report | Steve Andryszewski announced that the sales tax revenue projections have gone up since beginning of the year by \$5 million which has been factored into the financial plan. At the end of August, the current standing is \$44 million spent which is a little less than the target. The Crisis Solutions Center and Supported Employment are currently in the Second Omnibus Supplemental at the King County Council. There is a contingency reserve for about \$1.8 million if these initiative changes are approved by the Council. There is also a \$400,000 undesignated fund balance that remains. | |
| ACTION: Crisis Solutions Center | Chris Verschuyl announced that this initiative change is currently under consideration by Council. The \$1 million request for support to the Crisis Solutions Center was approved. | |
| | There were some questions about the process for MIDD funding requests. Chris provided a brief overview of how MIDD modifications occur. Steve Andryszewski supplemented this answer by stating that proposals are vetted and are funneled through the MIDD Steering Committee for approval, prior to being brought forth to the MIDD Advisory Committee. There was a brief discussion about how requests are managed and reviewed. Some members expressed concerns about access to request funds for community organizations. There was a request for more transparency about the process. | |
| | The Crisis Solutions Center funding request was approved by consensus. | |
| ACTION: Supported Employment | Chris Verschuyl announced that the Supported Employment initiative is requesting \$552,000 for continued support. | |
| | There was a continued question from the last meeting regarding access to language services. Lisa Floyd answered that Asian Counseling and Referral Service provides the majority of services to people with a primary language other than English. Most agencies were aware of how to access of interpreter services through the provider network and work with case managers and other staff when needed. The Supported Employment funding request was approved by consensus. | |
| Client Outcome | Jennifer Coldiron began with an emphasis on the changes to the | |
| Reporting Engine (CORE) | Performance Measurement Evaluation (PME) team, announcing that the team has grown in capacity with Halima Lozano officially beginning her role | |
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as the new MIDD Lead Evaluator. The team will retain the initiative level long term evaluation included in the annual report, although the new focus is to shift attention towards data and quality improvement, and to provide quarterly updates taking place by 2021.

The PME team is creating a Performance Measurement Evaluation plan for the providers, which will become a part of the contract and contract negotiation process. Using a Results Based Accountability framework, the goal is to determine provider performance measures based on the distinction determined by each individual program. This will require a more in depth relationship with providers and partner staff. In doing so, providers will gain more clarity on the data collected as well as providing an opportunity for provider feedback.

The Client Outcome Reporting Engine (CORE) is a new data system being created to leverage the capacity of PME, aiming to provide more rigorous evaluations by reducing the burden of data processing and management. The PME team is working with an external vendor as well as King County Information Technology to develop this system. CORE will provide a secure online portal to submit and visualize client level data. Providers will be able to see their data and create reports from the dashboard. This system will also be used internally by MIDD, Best Start for Kids, Veterans Seniors & Human Services Levy, and Developmental Disabilities and Early Childhood Supports.

There were some suggestions that user input be considered from peers and not just providers. Having user input provides feedback from those who need the services, and helps inform what measurements may be useful.

Modification Review: Community Court Planning/Pilot Expansion

Judge Donna Tucker began by noting that the essential part of Community Courts, and what separates this model from others, is the resource center which is co-located at each Community Court location. Three Community Courts have been approved for funding, two of those already being established. Currently there are 9 District Court locations dealing with low level offenses. The Community Court model was proposed as a way to address underlying behavioral health needs of people being seen in District Court. Around 32 providers are on site at Redmond Community Court which takes place on Wednesdays, and over 42 providers on site at the Burien court which is solely on Mondays. Although participants are referred to the resource center, it is also open and available to the public, who frequently use the resource center.

The goal of the Community Courts is to break the incarceration cycle of people with mental health and substance use disorder issues. All court participants voluntarily enter into the program.

There was a question about if peer support was part of Community Court. Judge Tucker answered that peers are not currently involved but could be in the future.

| | The Shoreline Community Court is set to open in early December on Tuesdays. The current funding ask is for two additional Community Courts, one in Auburn and one in Bellevue. The Executive Office has supported the court in Auburn. The funding for the Auburn expansion was included in the supplemental budget to the Council. Co-chair D'Allegri expressed concern about the funding request process sequence where the AC was being briefed about the request after it had been sent to Council. Several other members expressed that they shared her concern. Action on the Community Court request is scheduled for the next AC | |
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| Adjourned | meeting. 1:45 PM | |
| Next meeting | Thursday, October 24 2019, 12:15-1:45 p.m., Chinook Room 121 | |

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