

Mental Illness and Drug Dependency (MIDD) Advisory Committee (AC) Meeting Notes April 23, 2020, 12:00-1:30 p.m., Meeting held via Zoom

Members/ Designees:	Co-Chair Claudia D'Allegri, Co-Chair Judge Ketu Shah, Leo Flor, Ann McGettigan, Brigitte Folz, Barbara Miner, Councilmember Brenda Fincher, Darcy Jaffe, Karen Brady, Jeff Sakuma, Joshua Wallace, Councilmember Kathy Lambert, Katherine Switz, Laura Merchant, Lea Ennis, Judge Lisa Paglisotti, Mayor Lynne Robinson, Mario Paredes, Muguette Guenneguez, Leesa Manion designee for Dan Satterberg, Katie Hurley designee for Anita Khandelwal
Other Attendees:	Councilmember Gary Harris, Judge Judy Ramseyer, Kelli Nomura, Isabel Jones, Robin Pfohman, Kimberly Cisson, Suamhirs Piraino-Guzman, Greg Brooks, Steve Andryszewski, Barb Donohue, Scott Miller, Susan Schoeld, Sherry McCabe, Jennifer Wyatt, Margaret Soukop, Shanna Clinton, Chris Mitchell, Bridgett Fields, Peggy Dolane, Lane Covington, Laura Van Tosh, Lauren Vlas, Aaron Parker, Carisa Barrett, Dan Story, Dave Murphy, Alexis Rinck, Emily Heatherington, Jimmy Hung, Devin Konick-Seese, Regina Alexander, Sam Porter, Trenecsia Wilson, Joseph Conniff, Elly Slakie, Kapena Pflum, Christina Mason, Michael Della Santa, Michele Meaker, Tara Urs, Sunny Lovin, Jorene Reiber, Cody West, Helena Stephens

Notes by: Greg Brooks

Issues	Discussion	Action Items:
Welcome	Co-chair Judge Ketu Shah commenced the meeting and welcomed everyone.	
Member/Staff Announcements	Co-Chair Judge Shah introduced Suamhirs Piraino-Guzman as the new MIDD Community Partnerships Program Manager.	
	Suamhirs Piraino-Guzman provided his background in behavioral health, and instructed everyone on how to use the features of Zoom throughout the meeting.	
Public Comment	Laura Van Tosh began public comment by commending King County for their COVID-19 response. Laura brought awareness to Tactical Communication training provided by King County.	
Review/Approve Meeting Notes	January meeting notes were approved by consensus.	
Initiative Briefing: Juvenile Drug Court Modification	Judge Judy Ramseyer provided context to the Juvenile Drug Court Model stating the purpose is to keep juveniles within the community, and to use their involvement with the court as a catalyst for positive growth. In King County, about 50% of all youth referred by law enforcement to the Prosecutor's Office are turned away from the court and placed in community-based programs to meet their needs. Juvenile Court has also operated a therapeutic drug court for youth with proven substance use disorders and a low-level offense. The modification seeks to expand services up to youth with higher-level offences and mental health and/or substance use conditions.	
	Aaron Parker explained the model Juvenile Therapeutic Response and Accountability Court (JTRAC) is moving to is a three-pillar model including Screening and Support, Community Centric, and Positive Youth Justice and Incentives. This expansion will include collaboration between the Department of Public Defense (DPD), The Prosecuting Attorney's Office (PAO), The Court, Juvenile Probation Officers, the youth, and the family, to address the youth/family needs. This expansion will allow more youth to meet the criteria to qualify for the therapeutic court model.	

	Katie Hurley explained the shift would provide a therapeutic response to behavioral health needs. The response is community led, racially equitable, and safety driven. This approach will shift resources to trauma informed and healing centered community systems. Jimmy Hung pointed out that defense attorney's, prosecuting attorney's, and the court are working jointly on this shift, a rare collaboration in the legal sector. A major goal incorporated here is to achieve the best results by partnering with communities to achieve justice.	
	Mayor Lynne Robinson asked a question about how youth will be distinguished by who can and cannot be rehabilitated in regard to their effect on the community. Judge Ramseyer answered by stating the relevance and importance of collaboration, and how this designation is part of a wraparound community response. Jimmy supplemented this answer by including that identifying and addressing the youth needs and trauma leads to a lesser chance of youth committing crimes in the future. There was a brief comment of the need for appropriate screening of youth to address all of their needs.	
Briefing: BHRD COVID 19 Response	Kelli Nomura provided an overview to the Behavioral Health and Recovery Division (BHRD) COVID-19 response. Three areas of focus of BHRD have been: Remaining in weekly contact with providers, sharing resources, and providing technical assistance. In this time, BHRD has continued providing authorizations for new individuals to receive services.	
	Isabel Jones added that other priorities have included the continued delivery of sobering services, detoxification, and opiate treatment services. King County has been coordinating our response with opiate providers, the state Health Care Authority, and the federal government. This response has developed protocols on how to care for people in Isolation/Quarantine (I/Q) facilities who need daily methadone dosing. Individuals can have these needs met at I/Q facilities. King County has developed multiple I/Q facilities with an integrated care model and a core focus on behavioral health support onsite.	
MIDD Financial Report and 2021- 2022 Budget Process	Leo Flor provided a high-level overview of the long-term impacts of COVID- 19 and the effect it has on the MIDD budget which is sales tax funded. In a few weeks' time, MIDD revenue projections have dropped substantially, with no foreseeable trajectory. Based on the March 31 st forecast, MIDD will experience at least \$16 million in loss of revenue in 2020. The Executive branch, the Performance, Strategy and Budget section, the King County Council, and the MIDD Advisory Committee will be working together to collectively begin to formulate a plan to deal with the loss of this much revenue at this high of a level.	
	There was a question about when the MIDD renewal will take place. Leo answered this by stating MIDD continues through 2025. The King County Council will vote on renewal then.	

	There was a question about the possibility of using federal emergency COVID-19 funding. There is a countywide task force that is assessing how to deploy those funds for COVID related work. Steve Andryszewski discussed the financial plan, explaining the 2019-2020 biennium figures have reduced from \$145 million in sales tax revenue down to \$104 million. Within the projections there is also a reserve shortfall of \$15 million.	
MIDD Steering Committee and Staff Report	Co-chair Judge Shah gave an update that the Steering Committee has met, and will work on developing a nomination process to identify new members for the AC. Staff is working on recruiting applicants. Another focus has been prioritizing a quicker turn-around time for modifications in initiatives or other changes.	
	Robin Pfohman commended the members for getting their financial disclosure forms in on time.	
	Suamhirs announced the recipients awarded for both the rural behavioral health grants and the smaller sized behavioral health grants. Additionally, the MIDD Community Driven Grants (SI-01) have been released, the MIDD staff are looking to build community voice and capacity around behavioral health. The Request for Proposal was released in February 2020, and closed on April 13, 2020. The review panel was reviewing applications. The announcement of the awards is expected in May.	
	Councilmember Kathy Lambert asked how these grants were being distributed. Robin answered this with the aim of this breakdown being one large grant per district, and up to two small grants per district. Applications were not submitted from every district.	
Agenda Items for May Meeting	Please email any suggested agenda items for the May meeting to Robin Pfohman. The Co-chairs and Steering committee will review these agenda suggestions prior to the next AC meeting.	
Adjourned	1:30 PM	
Next meeting	Thursday, May 28, 2020, 12:00-1:30 p.m., Zoom	