

OPEN MEETING MINUTES

Name of Governmental Body: Wisconsin Council on Mental Health - Adult Quality Committee			Attending: Alexa Nobis (staff), Sheryl Smith, Dawn Shelton-Williams, Rick Immler, Maddie Johnson (staff), Laleña Lampe, Lynn Harrington
Date: 4/15/2021	Time Started: 10:00am	Time Ended: 12:00pm	
Location: Virtual (Zoom)			Presiding Officer: Lynn Harrington

Minutes

1. **Call Adult Quality Committee Meeting to Order**.....Lynn Harrigan
 - a. Welcome and Introductions
 - b. Announcements: Opportunity for committee members to make general announcements
 - i. Met 50% Quorum
 - ii. Laleña took a new role with a local non-profit.
 - c. Wisconsin Council on Mental Health (WCMH) Updates
 - i. Legislative and Policy committee approved a motion to write a letter to support Medicaid Expansion, shared with group as an FYI.
 - ii. Criminal Justice Committee passed a motion to support Medicaid Expansion as well.
 - iii. JFC is taking meetings around the state and taking testimony
 - iv. General council supports Medicaid expansion
 - v. Approved a motion to request funding for diversion courts
 - vi. Had originally discussed AQC doing the work on the racial equity piece, however but the group is still forming. So next Friday April 23rd the Access and Equity workgroup is reconvening and will be providing a proposal to do more zoom meetings in the fall of 2021 in a more focused fashion regarding funding and how that can be used, especially relating to the block grant. Other topics include: workforce and the value of representative workforce, focus on community to better serve behavioral health needs, and on-going platform via a committee to continue work on race equity. Once the meetings are complete, the Council will come up with action points to write to the division, secretary, legislature, and governor.
 - d. Discuss work on racial equity and next steps the committee would like to take.
 - i. Gave update on what has occurred during the last few informal meetings.
 - ii. Discussed reconsidering the frequency of meetings; could potentially have an informal workgroup on the off months to actually do the work, and then vote and make motions during the official open meetings.
 - iii. Would like a presentation on the First Nations Wellness Framework to get a better idea of next steps – touch-base with Kristin regarding her contact to see if they can come present at the May meeting.
 - e. Review current application to serve on the committee, edit as needed.
 - i. Discussed the application, its pros/cons.
 - ii. Other committees do have their own applications, so we can look at theirs for ideas as needed.
 - iii. Discussed a need for overall better education and on-boarding process of committee members about the overall function of the council, funding for mental health programs statewide, strategic planning, and recruitment of people with lived experience to improve the AQC.
 1. The on-boarding process would include: what the committee does, public/private MH system, and maybe an acronym guide

- iv. Alexa will bring comments to DHS Staff to ask for next-steps.
 - f. Public Comment: The committee will accept comments from the public relating to any committee business.
 - i. No members of the public attended.
- 2. **Agenda Items for May 2021 Committee Meeting**..... Lynn Harrigan
 - a. Hear presentation on the Mental Health Block Grant from the Block Grant Planner, Maddie Johnson
 - b. Hear a presentation on the First Nations Wellness Framework
- 3. **Adjourn**..... Lynn Harrigan

Prepared by: Alexa Nobis on 5/26/2021.

These minutes are in draft form. They will be presented for approval by the governmental body on: 5/23/2021

