



COMMUNITY ADVOCATES
Public Policy Institute

MAKING PARITY REAL

You're invited to a symposium with stakeholders and state policymakers to help shape the future of addiction and mental health treatment in Wisconsin.

Monday, Nov. 23
8 a.m.-noon

Medical College of Wisconsin
Alumni Center
8701 Watertown Plank Rd.



Making Parity Real is presented by the Milwaukee Addiction Treatment Initiative in conjunction with the Milwaukee Mental Health Task Force.

Accommodations: The room is wheelchair accessible. To request disability-related accommodations such as an interpreter, large print materials or language translation, contact Hilary Chavez by Nov. 16 at (414) 270-2950 or email hilaryc@communityadvocates.net.

What State Policy Changes Will Improve Our Addiction and Mental Health System?

In the U.S. and Wisconsin, we're moving rapidly toward "parity"—health insurance benefits for addiction and mental health treatment that equal those for physical medical care. But insurance "parity" doesn't mean that people with an addiction or mental illness will actually get the treatment they need. The Making Parity Real symposium will assess the state policy challenges we face in delivering these services in Milwaukee County.

Join a moderated dialogue among local stakeholders—providers, advocates, the recovery community and law enforcement officials—and hear updates on parity legislation and regulations. Rep. Sandy Pasch, a policy leader in improving treatment, will help direct the dialogue about how to make parity real.

**Register
Online
by Nov. 18**

Discussion will explore:

- The quantity, cultural competency and location of providers.
- The adequacy of public and private funding sources.
- The ability of non-medical providers to administer treatment.

Attendance is free, but registration is required by Wednesday, Nov. 18. Breakfast will be provided.

Participants include:



Rep. Sandy Pasch



Rob Henken,
Public Policy
Forum



Tito Izard, MD,
Milwaukee
Health Services



David Riemer,
Community
Advocates



Clarence
Chou, MD,
Milwaukee
County



Lyn Malosky,
Warmline, Inc.



Vani Ray, MD,
Aurora
Behavioral
Health Services



Milwaukee
County District
Attorney John
Chisholm



Carlyle Chan,
MD, Medical
College of
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Walter Laux,
Milwaukee
County



Dr. Francine
Feinberg,
Meta House



Mark Fossie,
M&S Clinical
Services



David Moulthrop,
Ph.D., Rogers
Memorial
Hospital

For more information or to register, visit
www.MakingParityReal.org

Making Parity Real Schedule

8:00	Registration and breakfast
8:40	Call to order David R. Riemer, Director, Community Advocates Public Policy Institute
8:45	Welcome T. Michael Bolger, J.D., President and CEO, Medical College of Wisconsin
8:50	Introduction David R. Riemer
9:00	Parity Update David R. Riemer and Representative Sandy Pasch (D-Whitefish Bay) will summarize the federal <i>Paul Wellstone and Pete Domenici Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act of 2008 (P.L. 110-343)</i> , and the <i>Wisconsin Mental Health and Substance Abuse Parity Act (SB-362/AB-512)</i> , for which Representative Pasch is a co-sponsor.
	Panels Each panel will discuss from its expert perspective the major state policy changes needed to greatly improve addiction and mental health treatment in Wisconsin.
9:20	Provider / Consumer Panel (35 minutes) Moderator Representative Sandy Pasch Panelists <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Clarence Chou, M.D., Staff Psychiatrist, Milwaukee County Behavioral Health Division• Dr. Francine Feinberg, Executive Director, Meta House• Rev. Mark Fossie, President and CEO, M&S Clinical Services• Tito Izard, M.D., Medical Director, Milwaukee Health Services• Lyn Malofsky, Executive Director, Warmline, Inc.
	Audience Q&A (30 minutes)
10:25	Break
10:35	Systems Panel (35 minutes) Moderator David R. Riemer Panelists <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Carlyle H. Chan, M.D., Professor and Vice Chair for Professional Development and Educational Outreach Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Medicine, Medical College of Wisconsin• Rob Henken, President, Public Policy Forum• Walter Laux, Director, Adult Community Services Branch, Milwaukee County Behavioral Health Division• David L. Moulthrop, Ph.D., President and CEO, Rogers Memorial Hospital• Vani Ray, M.D., Psychiatrist and Addictionologist, Consult Liaison, Aurora Behavioral Health Services, Aurora Health Care
	Audience Q&A (30 minutes)
11:40	Closing Remarks Milwaukee County District Attorney John T. Chisholm
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Parking will be available in the visitor lot (limited capacity) across the street from the main entrance of the Medical College (green booth). Overflow parking will be in the employee lot next to the visitor lot. Attendees should utilize the intercom at the visitor lot booth for assistance; you will then be directed to available parking.

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