

Moving Recovery into Practice Training: Follow-up Resources

On behalf of the Milwaukee Mental Health Task Force, thank you for participating in this week's SAMHSA training session, ***Moving Recovery into Practice: Information for Peer Specialists Serving People with Mental Health Conditions Experiencing Homelessness***.

It was very gratifying to see such a great turnout from Milwaukee area peer specialists and housing advocates, and we hope the resources shared are helpful to you. Thank you for participating.

As promised at the trainings, we are sending you some follow-up resources, including a link to the entire ***eLearning Series for peer specialists serving people with mental health conditions experiencing homelessness***. We are also sending these to the individuals who were registered for training and did not attend. See below for the resource list.

Our thanks to Disability Rights Wisconsin, and Our Space, Inc. for sponsoring the training, in partnership with the Milwaukee Mental Health Task Force. We are grateful to Whole Health for so graciously hosting us.

We invite all of you to participate in Milwaukee Mental Health Task Force meetings, and to subscribe to our email list by emailing elisec@drwi.org.

See below for the link to the eLearning series discussed at the training, and other housing and advocacy resources.

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eLearning Series for peer specialists serving people with mental health conditions experiencing homelessness -

<https://ahpnet.adobeconnect.com/ph9ttp3pypog/>

Milwaukee Mental Health Task Force

Meets second Tuesday of the month from 3 – 5 PM, at IndependenceFirst, 540 S. 1 St.

Facebook: www.facebook.com/milwaukeeemhtf

Web site: <http://www.milwaukeeemhtf.org/>

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Milwaukee Continuum of Care (CoC)

- Full body meetings are generally held on the fourth Thursday of each month from 9:30 to 11:00 AM at Hillside Family Resource Center. Agendas and minutes are sent out to the email listserv.
- Subscribe to the CoC listserv at <http://milwaukeecoc.us10.list-manage.com/subscribe?u=16dbfd1813858c4e2b2d2dcab&id=d1dcfd8544> and completing the form at the link.
- The CoC calendar of trainings is at <http://milwaukeecoc.org/coc-meeting-agenda-minutes/meeting-schedule/>

Milwaukee County Disability Resource Center (for individuals with disabilities aged 18 – 59)

<http://county.milwaukee.gov/DSD/Disability-Resource-Center.htm>

Toll Free Phone: 866-229-9695

Local Phone: 414-289-6660

TTY/TDD/Relay: 711

Email: DSD@milwaukeecountywi.gov (link sends e-mail)

Office Location: 1220 W. Vliet Street, Suite 300, Milwaukee, WI 53205

Disability Benefits Specialist Program

- Provides free benefits counseling and includes information about public and private benefits. This includes assistance applying for Medicare, Medicaid, and Social Security.
- To access these services, call the Milwaukee County Disability Resource Center at 414-289-6660 and request a Disability Benefit Specialist.

Housing Resources – Milwaukee County

- Powerpoint on housing resources from Jim Mathy, Milwaukee County Housing Division Administrator from the May Mental Health Task Force meeting:
<http://www.milwaukeeemhtf.org/2018/05/08/presentations-at-5-8-18-mhtf-meeting/>

Voting Resources

- Check if you are registered and see which candidates are on your ballot at myvote.wi.gov.
- An accepted Wisconsin photo ID card is required to vote. www.bringitwisconsin.com
- Wisconsin Election Commission: elections.wi.gov/ 1-866-VOTE-WIS
- Wisconsin Disability Vote Coalition: www.disabilityvote.org & www.facebook.com/wisconsin Disability Vote
- To request a training on voting or a disability related voting resource table for your event, contact barbara.beckert@drwi.org

Public Policy Advocacy

Find out who your elected officials are and be in touch with them to share your priorities and your perspective on legislation.

- <https://myvote.wi.gov/en-us/MyElectedOfficials>
- State Legislators: <https://maps.legis.wisconsin.gov/>
- Milwaukee County Board: <http://county.milwaukee.gov/FindSupervisor>

Advocacy Opportunity

The Milwaukee County Board is considering a “rent assistance discrimination ban” that would end the current practice of many landlords refusing to accept section 8 vouchers. You may want to contact your County Supervisor to share your perspective. Here is a link to a related story: <https://www.wpr.org/milwaukee-county-supervisors-consider-closing-fair-housing-loophole-50-years-after-landmark-laws>