

Milwaukee Mental Health Task Force

Agenda: Tuesday, May 11, 2021

Thank you for joining us! Please follow these ground rules for our virtual meeting:

- **Everyone will be muted throughout the session.**
- We hope to have time after each speaker for questions. Please use the chat feature to type your questions. We will answer as many as we can.
- Sign language interpreters are provided at most meetings. We will pause as needed to "switch" interpreters.
- Auto-captioning is provided. You may turn captioning on or off. Click on the ^ symbol next to the CC Live transcript button if you want to hide subtitles, or to view the full transcript.
- At the top of your video screen you can choose between speaker view or gallery view – whichever you prefer.

Meeting materials will be posted on our website

<https://www.milwaukeeemhtf.org/2021/05/05/mental-health-task-force-may-11th-meeting/>

Some materials may not be posted until after the meeting.

1. Welcome and Task Force Updates (3:00 – 3:10)

Mary Neubauer & Christine Apple, co-chairs

- We are planning our annual Karen Avery forum and it will focus on best practices for treatment of substance use disorders, and harm reduction. We want your input! To share ideas, or serve on the planning committee, contact barbara.beckert@drwi.org.
- We need your input. Take the Mental Health Task Force survey on priorities for the 2022 BHD budget.

2. *Listening to Youth & Outreaching to Diverse Voices to Build a New Normal*, Linda Hall, Director of the Wisconsin DHS [Office of Children's Mental Health](#) and Tiffany Meredith, OCMH Outreach Specialist (3:10 – 3:45)

3. Children's Mental Health Awareness Week

Thanks to the Office of Children's Mental Health for sharing these resources

- [Wisconsin Youth Virtual Art Gallery Facebook Live video](#)
- [Virtual Art Gallery Slide Show](#)
- [Poem from Elijah](#), 17, Milwaukee

4. **"We Asked. You Answered. We Listened: No Wrong Door,"** Presentation by Kimberly Kane and Taylor Fisher of Perceptivity Solutions regarding community input on crisis redesign in Milwaukee County, entitled (4:05 – 4:45)
 - View the [Psychiatric Crisis Redesign Community Engagement Project Report](#) here.
 - **Questions about BHD Operations** will be answered by Milwaukee County Mental Board members. Mental Health Board members in attendance may include Mary Neubauer, Shirley Drake, and Rachel Forman.

5. **Policy Updates:** state budget, MH board, county budget, Mary Neubauer, MHTF representative on Mental Health Board, and Barbara Beckert, Disability Rights WI (4:45 – 5)
 - [MHTF Survey on 2022 BHD County Budget Priorities](#)
 - State Budget Advocacy needed:

Contact your state legislators and ask them to prioritize mental health and substance user disorder services in the budget and support Medicaid expansion. Here are some resources to provide you with talking points:

 - [Mental Health Task Force budget testimony](#)
 - View information about mental health and other budget proposals on [the WI Department of Health Services website here](#).
 - View [the MHTF State Budget Advocacy Updates presentation here \(rev. April 15, 2021\)](#).