



The Milwaukee Mental Health Task Force is the voice of the community on issues related to the quality and responsiveness of mental health and substance abuse disorder services.

Milwaukee Mental Health Task Force 2021 Karen Avery Forum
Celebrating Recovery, Ending Stigma, Embracing Possibilities



-Awards Presentation-
Tuesday, September 14, 2021

1. Welcome and opening remarks *Mary Neubauer, Moriah Iverson*

- Thank you, Mental Health Task Force Supporting Members
- Review ground rules (page 3)
- Speaker Bios are posted with forum materials
- To receive the CEH or participation certificate, you must complete the forum evaluation

2. Opening Speakers: *Ensuring Equitable Care Through Many Pathways of Recovery & Harm Reduction* (2:40 – 3:40)

Introductory remarks, **Susan Gadacz**, Mental Health Task Force Steering Committee

Donald McDonald, MSW, LCAS, RCP, Chief Recovery Officer with All Sober

Robert Childs, MPH, Technical Expert Lead at JBS International

- ***Please put questions in the chat.*** We will pause for questions at 3:25

3. Awards Presentation (3:40 - 4)

- **2021 Karen Avery Award:** Sarah Joyce, Outpatient Program Manager, Meta House, Inc.
- Award presented by: **Furman Avery Jr.**, Chrysalis, Inc.
- **2021 Outstanding Achievement Award:** Attorney Pete Koneazny, recently retired as Litigation Director, Legal Aid Society of Milwaukee
Award presented by: **Thomas Reed**, State Public Defender Office, Regional Attorney Manager
- **2021 Marie C. Perry Rising Leader Award:** Troney C. Small Jr., Rogers Behavioral Health
Award Presented by: **Mary Neubauer**, Co-chair Milwaukee Mental Health Task Force

4. Community Voices Panel, facilitated by **Christine Ullstrop**, LCSW, CSAC, Meta House (4 – 4:45)

Learn from those who are in recovery and from service providers about effective and non-stigmatizing treatment options available in Wisconsin. Our panel will also identify opportunities to support recovery and expand access to treatment and supports.

Panel Members:

- **Julius D. Coates**, Certified Substance Abuse Counselor, MSM, BSM, ICS, CSAC, LC
- **Marguerit Galindao**, Certified Peer Specialist, Wisconsin Community Services Office of Consumer Affairs Program
- **Ken Ginlack**, LCSW, CSAC, IC - Director of Outpatient Programs, Milwaukee County Behavioral Health Division
- **Jesse Heffernan**, CCAR Recovery Coach Professional, and Certified Healing Centered Engagement Practitioner, Helios Recovery
- **Dennis Radloff**, Harm Reduction Services Coordinator, Substance Abuse Services Section, Bureau of Prevention Treatment and Recovery, Division of Care and Treatment Services, Wisconsin Department of Health Services

5. COMMUNITY VOICES: Breakout Goup discussion (4:45 – 5:05)

Facilitated by Moriah Iverson and Janet Fleege

Forum participants will have an opportunity to process the information and strategies shared by our speakers in breakout groups. Each group will be asked to look forward and identify new possibilities for our community to support recovery and access to treatment. Breakout groups will report out with their findings which will be used to inform our advocacy and policy recommendations

Participants will be divided into breakout groups. Each session will have a facilitator and a panel member or other subject expert. The facilitator will take notes. The notetaker form is posted on the website.

6. Report out and Evaluation (5:05 – 5:20), facilitated by Christine Apple, MHTF Co-chair

- Completion of Forum Evaluation
- Be sure to complete second short survey to request Certificate, if desired.

7. Closing Remarks and Call to Action (5:20 – 5:30)

Jeremiah Bell, Sue Gadacz, Mary Neubauer

Join us for the Mental Health Task Force October 12th meeting. It will include:

- **Granite Hills Hospital Update**, Jennifer Bergersen, CEO
- Medicaid Non-Emergency Medical Transportation (NEMT) update and changes, Nick Di Meo, Wisconsin DHS

GROUND RULES FOR THE FORUM

- Please remain muted throughout the presentations.
- If you experience connectivity issues, it can help to turn off your camera.
- Feel free to put questions in the chat box as you think of them. We have limited time for questions but will answer as many as we can, and we will try to post answers after the forum to questions that are not addressed.
- If you have any problems, put it in the chat box. The chat box will be monitored throughout the session.
- Some forum materials are available on our website now at <https://www.milwaukeeemhtf.org/2021/08/05/2021forum/> Additional materials and a forum recording will be posted soon.
- ASL Interpreters are available.
- This forum is live captioned. If you would like to use this service, click on the CC icon on the dashboard bar. Then click "show subtitle". Click "view full transcript" to see captions on the right side panel.
- Important: If there are technical issues **during the breakout sessions**, do NOT use the chat. Please contact Elise Cassidente at elisec@drwi.org.
- A link to the forum evaluation will be posted at the end of the forum. We value your feedback and encourage you to complete it.

Continuing Education

- Certified Peer Specialists and Recovery Coaches can receive 2.5 Continuing Education Hours (CEHs) by attending the entire training and submitting a completed evaluation.
- All participants can request a Certificate of Participation for 2.5 hours by attending the entire training and submitting a completed evaluation.
- When you complete the evaluation, there will be a link to a form to request your certificate and indicate if it is for CEH or a Certificate of Participation.