



*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 use disorder services.*

## **Milwaukee Mental Health Task Force Agenda: Tuesday, May 9, 2023**

### **1. Welcome – Mary Neubauer & Christine Apple, co-chairs (3 -3:05)**

- Meeting ground rules
- Thank you to our speakers and co-sponsors for our May 8<sup>th</sup> event celebrating Mental Health Awareness Month and supporting mental health in the state budget.
  - View the event on [Facebook](#) with Thanks to Montreal Cain and Mera!
  - Coverage in WI Health News:  
<https://wisconsinhealthnews.com/2023/05/09/mental-health-advocates-push-for-investments-in-upcoming-budget/>
- Reminder: [MHTF annual membership drive](#)
- [Membership Drive Letter](#)
- Children’s Mental Health Week May 7 - 13

*Meeting Materials are posted on our website at this link:*

<https://www.milwaukeeemhtf.org/2023/05/02/may-9-2023-milwaukee-mental-health-task-force-meeting/>

### **2. Children, Youth and Family Services – Milwaukee County (3:10 – 3:55)**

**Kelly Pethke**, Administrator. Milwaukee County Department of Health & Human Services , Children, Youth & Family Services

Administrator Pethke will address Milwaukee County’s role in supporting youth; what programming, services, and treatment are provided; and the status of programs in Milwaukee County for justice involved youth, as well as plans to bring youth home from Lincoln Hills and Copper Lake.

#### **Resources on this topic:**

- [Children and Young Adults Services \(milwaukee.gov\)](#)
- [Children’s Long-Term Support: Program Overview](#)
- [Comprehensive Community Services](#)
- [Coordinated Services Teams Initiatives](#)
- [Children's System of Care](#)

**3. Wisconsin Office of Children’s Mental Health Update**, Linda A. Hall, Director - Office of Children’s Mental Health (4:00 – 4:45)

Director Hall will share a message for Children’s Mental Health Week including an update on the status of youth mental health in Wisconsin

**Resources:**

- Wisconsin Office of Children’s Mental Health [OCMH OCMH \(wi.gov\)](https://ocmh.wisconsin.gov)
- [Children's Mental Health Week 2023 \(wi.gov\)](https://ocmh.wisconsin.gov/childrens-mental-health-week-2023)

**4. Policy Updates – State Budget and Milwaukee County Mental Health Board**, Barbara Beckert & Mary Neubauer (4:45 – 5 PM)

**State Budget Resources**

- [Proposed Budget: Improving Mental Health and Crisis Services, Wisconsin Department of Health Services](#)
- [Milwaukee Mental Health Task Force Public Comments on the State Budget April 2023 \(PDF\)](#)
- [Full Funding for Community Support Programs Letter to Joint Finance \(PDF\)](#)
- [Funding for Room and Board for Medicaid members seeking residential substance use disorder treatment \(PDF\)](#)
- [Speak Out for Mental Health in the State Budget – May 2023 \(PDF\)](#)
- [Mental Health Professional Shortage Area in Wisconsin, by County, 2022](#)
- [CRISIS: Lack of Accessible Mental Health Services for People with Hearing Loss \(PDF\)](#)

**MEETING GROUND RULES**

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 a few questions. Use the chat feature to type your questions. We will answer as many as we can.
- Sign language interpreters are provided at most meetings. If you need assistance accessing the interpreter, put your request in the chat.
- Speakers, please say your name before you speak to help with accessibility
- 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.