

**Minutes of Early Intervention & Prevention Committee of the
Winona County Criminal Justice Coordinating Council
November 8, 2023 at 9:00 a.m via Zoom**

Present: Kylie Davison, Andy Kranz, Ann McLaughlin, Amber Ziegler, Rachel Stoll, Jocelyn Poehler, Kalene Engel, Chris Meyer

Minutes by: Kalene Engel

Call to Order & Welcome: 9:02 a.m.

Navigator Network: Dina Nelson from WeCareMN presented in October. Families First is scheduled to present in November. Information on presentations and other Navigator Network documents can be found on the following Google Drive:
<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1sgL5G1BnSmz01jnrpjTGAf9dpF XuSZxT>. Rachel is still looking for someone to facilitate the meetings while she is out on leave.

Youth/Family Early Intervention/Prevention Program Coordination – No Wrong Door:
The No Wrong Door concept is that anyone who approaches a provider or the county itself will be able to get the answer they need and are qualified for and won't be turned away because they have come to the "wrong door." Andy introduced the concept to the Health and Human Services Committee. While people thought it was a great idea, no one had the time to work on it. He has also reached out to Maureen Holte, County Administrator, but he hasn't yet heard back from her. With the county in the midst of hiring a new director for the Health & Human Services Department, and the need to have that person on board for this concept, he suggested that we defer action until after the director is on board.

Kalene noted that the issue of access to services has been identified as a gap by several groups, including the CJCC during the SIM Map process, the Engage Winona listening sessions which were held several years ago and most recently by the Kitchen Table. Rachel wondered whether the "Minnesota Nice" in people might be preventing them from telling people the hard truth in certain circumstances—that there are no resources available for that person in that area. She noted that Dan Wilson created a Canva which mapped services insofar as policy and funding were concerned. This helps identify who is responsible for what and could help educate people about what the county is and is not responsible for. She also shared an organization chart of DHS and tips for dealing with HHS that had been generated as a result of the work of the Access to Health & Human Services Workgroup of the committee. Kalene will send out the original survey that was done by that group, as it contains a description of services provided by DHS. Jocelyn would like to see some sort of a kiosk developed where people could type in key words to get information and find resources that they needed.

Chris noted that interviews for the HHS director position will be taking place on November 17th. The group generally agreed to defer further action until after the director is in place.

Winona Mental Health Collaborative: The Collaborative is continuing to have conversations and ideas are starting to formulate about what can be done moving forward. Another public

presentation on the work of the Collaborative will occur sometime in January. This presentation will include more details on what the Collaborative hopes to achieve and how they intend to do that. The Collaborative was formed to bring people together to share data and have open discussion about mental health gaps and pressure points, as well as to discuss what could be done to address those gaps.

Open Discussion:

- WRAP+ is having a training on Drug Recognition/Effects on November 15th at Hiawatha Valley Mental Health Center. Two sessions will be offered, one from 9-11 am and one from 1-3pm. Signup at hvmhc.org.
- On Wednesday, November 15th, the Local Advisory Committee of folks with lived experience will meet from 1-2:30 pm at the VFW. They hope to start a group that is mental-health related.
- ASAP is looking for community involvement opportunities for its youth interns. This could be anything from a job shadow, to an interview to completion of a small project. The youth have been talking about resiliency, empowerment, health coping and advocacy.
- The Opioid Settlement Committee has approved funding to have Carol Ackley give several presentations on the biochemistry of addiction, with the first presentations scheduled for November 15th. Details about the presentations were unavailable at the time of the meeting, so Chris was going to reach out to Maureen for more information. The Americorp intern will complete her term at the end of November, but additional listening sessions (some involving youth) are being coordinated.

Meeting Adjourned: 9:50 a.m.

Next Meeting: December 13, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.