

Chairperson: Thomas Lutzow
Senior Executive Assistant: Jodi Mapp, 257-5202

**MILWAUKEE COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH BOARD
FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Wednesday, June 7, 2017 - 4:30 P.M.
Hillside Terrace Family Resource Center
1452 North 7th Street

MINUTES

PRESENT: Thomas Lutzow, Jon Lehrmann, Maria Perez, and Michael Davis

SCHEDULED ITEMS:

1. Welcome.

Chairman Lutzow welcomed everyone to the February 23, 2017, Mental Health Board Finance Committee meeting.

2. 2018 Budget Preliminary Overview.

It was announced that a balanced budget would be presented in spite of a \$3 million tax levy decrease. Final allocations from the County are still outstanding. With strategic planning for the 2018 Budget beginning in February, a timeline through completion of the budget process was reviewed, with an emphasis on the June 29, 2017, Finance Committee meeting, which will include public testimony.

2018 Budget general assumptions include adult inpatient bed capacity, child/adolescent inpatient services (CAIS) census, a comprehensive community services (CCS) increase, employee vacancy, a cost of living adjustment (COLA), and performance-based increases. The Behavioral Health Division (BHD) was informed it would be held harmless for the legacy fringe increase.

The decrease in tax levy, Wisconsin Medicaid Cost Reporting (WIMCR) disallowance of legacy expense, and a reduction in Medicaid reimbursement are all contributing factors to the structural deficit. Closing the budget gap as a result of the structural deficit include Day Treatment and Intensive Outpatient (IOP) redesign; enhancing revenue in the areas of Targeted Case Management (TCM) Medicaid billing, Crisis billing, and PCS billing optimization; and a reduction in expenses related to community-based residential facility funding, phasing out the Community Recovery Services (CRS) program, electronic medical record optimization, workforce reduction, and the Northside Hub.

2017 Budget initiative assumptions carryover to 2018 and were explained as the creation of two additional crisis assessment and response teams (CART), expansion of resource center operations to 24/7, partnership with the Housing Division to eliminate chronic homelessness, increasing alcohol and other drug abuse (AODA) residential capacity, increasing target case management (TCM) capacity, continued investments in electronic medical records optimization, and Comprehensive Community Services (CCS) expansion.

A breakdown was provided of Operating Budget and reserve funded programmatic assumptions, revenue and full-time equivalent (FTE) assumptions, and risks and opportunities not included in the Budget assumptions. An analysis of the reserves fund was provided and the amendment process was explained.

The meeting opened for public comment on the Behavioral Health Division's 2018 Budget Preliminary Overview. The following individuals appeared and provided comments:

Jan Wilberg, Mental Health Task Force
Cindy Krahenbuhl, Guest House and Shelter Task Force

Length of meeting: 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Adjourned,

Jodi Mapp
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Milwaukee County Mental Health Board

**The next regular meeting of the Milwaukee County Mental Health Board
Finance Committee is Thursday, June 22, 2017, at 7:00 a.m.**