

AGENDA
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AD HOC COMMITTEE

DATE: January 16, 2018

TIME: 1:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Wood County Health Department EOC Conference Room, River Block Wisconsin Rapids

1. Call meeting to order
2. Public comments. Now or at the time the item is taken up. Rules may apply.
3. Approve minutes of the previous meeting.
4. Review, discussion, and possible action of staff reports and data collected
5. Assign tasks, if any, to be assigned between meetings.
6. Set date, time, and location of the next meeting.
7. Agenda items for next meeting
8. Adjourn

HHS Ad Hoc Committee on Out of Home Care Meeting Minutes

DATE: November 14, 2017

TIME: 12:00pm

PLACE: Wood County River Block, Health Dept EOC

PRESENT: Adam Fischer, Brad Kremer, Beth Ferdon, Lori Slattery-Smith, Dawn Schmutzer, Tim McNaughton, Brandon Vruwink, Tom Buttke.

EXCUSED:

OTHERS PRESENT: Bill Clendenning, Stephanie Wanserski, Doug Machon

Meeting called to order at 12:10pm by Chairman Fischer.

Public Comment: None

Minutes: motion by Kremer to approve minutes, second by Buttke. All ayes. Note: minutes for the Ad Hoc meetings will not be in the Supervisors dropbox, they will only be available on the County website.

Review data collected: Discussion in regards to data presented to committee brought up clarification questions. Definition of Kinship Care vs Foster Care and the difference in costs was discussed. Prevention model talked over. Concerns about what barriers and challenges the staff encounter was questioned. Positive Alternatives contract reviewed; renegotiation may be needed.

Assign tasks: Data to be collected for next meeting to include: case studies of prior cases, what could have been more helpful if service was provided; survey workers to determine what they need to effectively serve the clients to reduce out of home care options (ranked/prioritized); have Fiscal break out the costs for Foster Care and Kinship Care; track reasons/causes for Foster Care, Kinship Care, Residential Treatment, Group Home and Corrections stays; find out what other counties are doing as it pertains to these services; delve into what surrounding counties interest or needs for services are; research the Alternative Response Model.

Next meeting: January 16, 2017 at 12pm (noon) in the Health Dept EOC room at River Block.

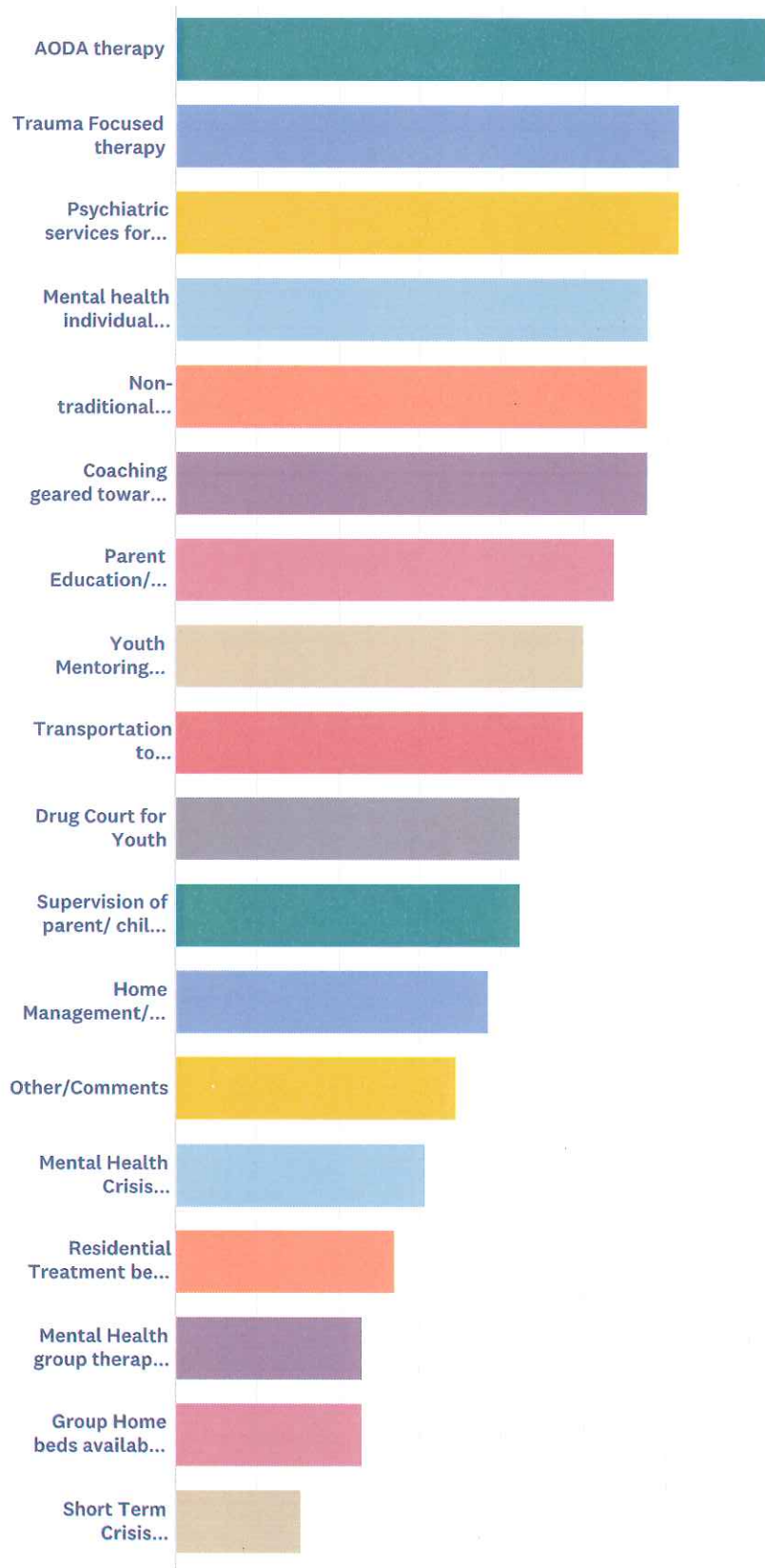
Agenda items: review of all data provided.

Adjourned: meeting was adjourned at 1:40pm.

Recorder: Dawn Schmutzer

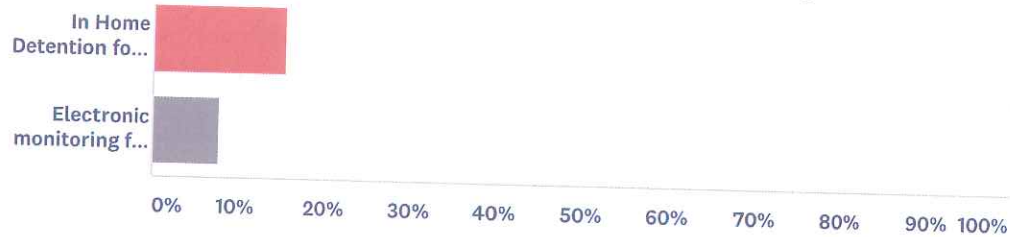
Q1 What services need to be developed or made more available in order to provide better services to the youth and family you work with?

Answered: 26 Skipped: 0



Needs Survey for Services to Support Case Management

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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
AODA therapy	73.08%	19
Trauma Focused therapy	61.54%	16
Psychiatric services for medication or medication monitoring	61.54%	16
Mental health individual therapy	57.69%	15
Non- traditional therapy (i.e. art, music therapy, equine or pet therapy, etc. Please specify below)	57.69%	15
Coaching geared towards skill building; either practical or emotional skills	57.69%	15
Parent Education/ Coaching	53.85%	14
Youth Mentoring Services	50.00%	13
Transportation to appointments/ Visits	50.00%	13
Drug Court for Youth	42.31%	11
Supervision of parent/ child visits	42.31%	11
Home Management/ Organization	38.46%	10
Other/Comments	34.62%	9
Mental Health Crisis Intervention	30.77%	8
Residential Treatment beds available within Wood County	26.92%	7
Mental Health group therapy (please specify type of groups below)	23.08%	6
Group Home beds available within Wood County	23.08%	6
Short Term Crisis Stabilization Services	15.38%	4
In Home Detention for youth/ In Home Supervision	15.38%	4
Electronic monitoring for youth	7.69%	2
Total Respondents: 26		

Q1 Other Responses:

More AODA groups, perhaps parenting groups, perhaps protective capacities group, pet therapy groups

Staff need more time allotted to be able to model and coach and help teach parents for a longer period of time.

Art and music therapy, and also introducing a restorative parenting (restorative justice type) model to practices to bring healing to children affected by abuse or neglect.

Art therapy

Affordable housing options or family shelters Crisis respite day care Child psychiatry services AODA
Detox options AODA in-patient services

Community services like Day Care with varying shift times for single parents with limited supports who work non-traditional/day time hours. *AR and more Services Reports/Outreach/Preventative Community involvement. *Healthy Beginnings Program *Weekend Safety Checks and Supervised visits *In-home and community parenting education and services for lengthy periods of time, as in several hours, overnights or adults w/children foster care like services

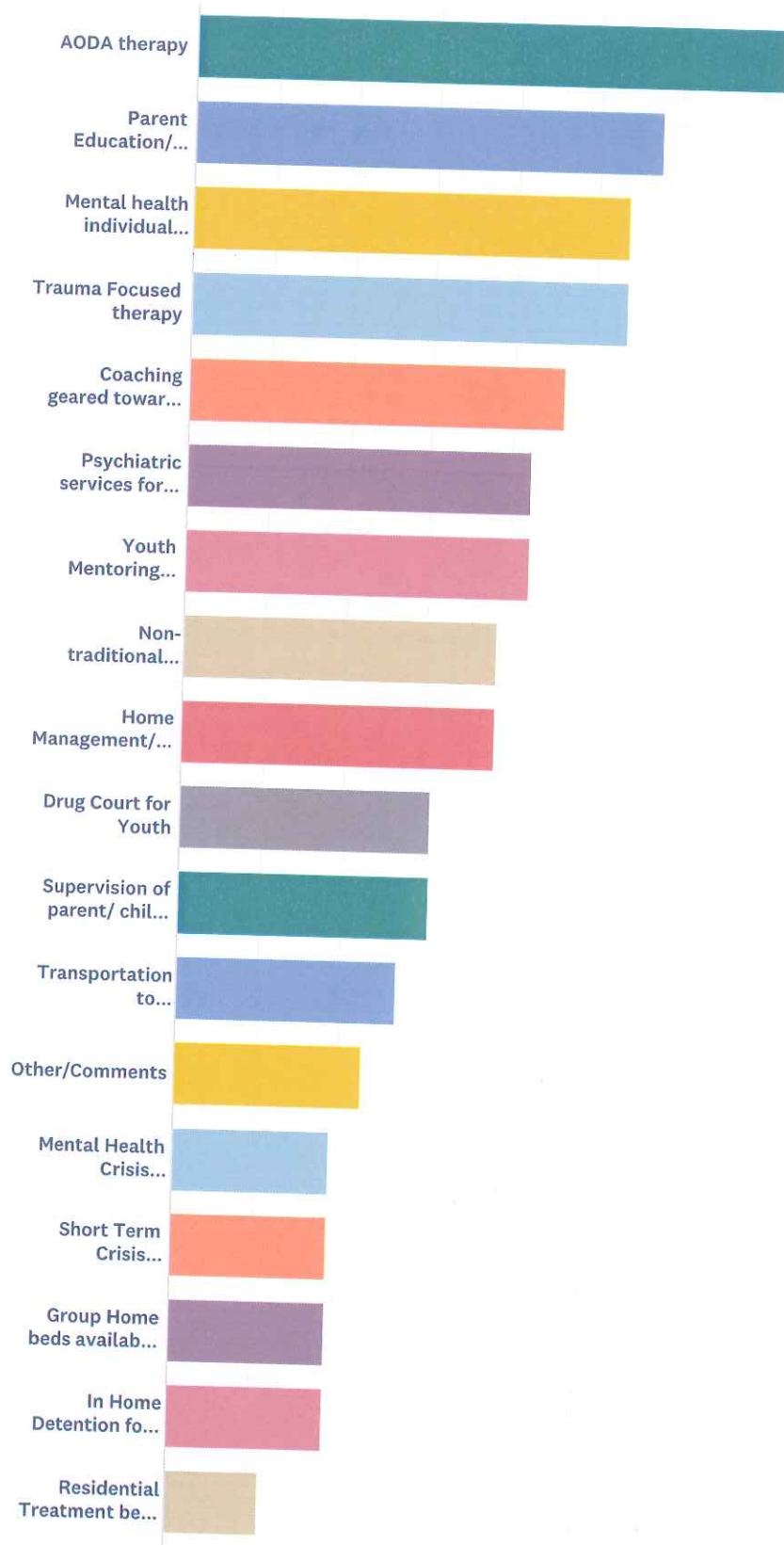
Our county is technologically behind the times and other counties. More often than not our clients only have phones for texting. Counties such as Dane, Monroe, and Columbia all have iphones and ipads. They know that the world is going paperless, it creates work efficiency, and have found to increase retention of skilled and qualified workers. Technological support is something that the newer generations of social workers are looking for in a work place. Going green and paperless is also cost effective. There is a major gap for in-home services for children with severe cognitive and physical disabilities. However, these same children as they transition into adult services suddenly seem to have several more services to help them live as independent as possible. Intense, skilled, in-home staff, that can rotate shifts are needed to keep these children out of residential facilities, group homes, and treatment foster care. Alternative in-home schooling programs and/or alternative educational options in general. Social workers hired to work non-traditional office hours. Affordable Child care and/or early education services in general and for respite purposes. Thank you for your consideration.

Public Transportation

Any kind of alternative therapy to talk therapy would be good, play, art, equine, music, etc.

Q2 What services do you believe would be most effective in preventing out of home placement or in supporting reunification efforts?

Answered: 26 Skipped: 0



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Coaching geared towards skill building; either practical or emotional skills	46.15%	12
Psychiatric services for medication or medication monitoring	42.31%	11
Youth Mentoring Services	42.31%	11
Non- traditional therapy (i.e. art, music therapy, equine or pet therapy, etc. Please specify below)	38.46%	10
Home Management/ Organization	38.46%	10
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Other/Comments	23.08%	6
Mental Health Crisis Intervention	19.23%	5
Short Term Crisis Stabilization Services	19.23%	5
Group Home beds available within Wood County	19.23%	5
In Home Detention for youth/ In Home Supervision	19.23%	5
Residential Treatment beds available within Wood County	11.54%	3
Mental Health group therapy (please specify type of groups below)	7.69%	2
Electronic monitoring for youth	7.69%	2
Total Respondents: 26		

Q2 Other Responses:

Anger management classes, marriage counseling and teaching effective communication

Art and music therapy, and also introducing a restorative parenting (restorative justice type) model to practices in order to bring healing to children affected by abuse or neglect.

following through with court orders for parenting and AODA orders

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Q3 What services do you hear are being provided on other counties in Wisconsin, or other States, that you wish we could offer?

Answered: 15 Skipped: 11

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	mentoring, coaching	1/3/2018 1:31 PM
2	In some Human Services Depts. the behavioral/mental health division offer trainings to social workers, biological parents and foster parents about mental health diagnosis and issues(what it is, what it may look like, how to de-escalate, what medications are usually used and what side effects, etc. may be caused by the medication; as well as early signs that the person is no longer taking their medication appropriately.) Some behavioral health divisions have offered semi-annual or quarterly training to foster parents to teach them how to deal with a child's behaviors when they have mental health, AODA, abuse/neglect or other trauma issues.	1/2/2018 2:14 PM
3	Group parenting (classes or mini sessions)	12/18/2017 12:52 PM
4	Anger management group classes offered to parents, with the aim of making portions of the program specific to how anger can affect parenting as well as how to develop positive parenting skills.	12/18/2017 12:35 PM
5	foster parenting for mom and child together	12/18/2017 8:07 AM
6	Teen Drug Court	12/18/2017 7:57 AM
7	sex ed; protective payee; therapist trained to work with specific age groups like, birth to 3, adolescents, ect...Do not use adult therapy strategies for children.	12/15/2017 5:18 PM
8	Alternative response	12/15/2017 4:33 PM
9	AODA Inpatient Treatment/CBRF	12/15/2017 1:54 PM
10	*Parenting Education/Coaching with more flexibility *More housing programs *Alternative Response *More preventative Outreach Programs/Services Reports *No waitlists *Inpatient and Outpatient AODA treatment *Shelters for homeless *Animal-based therapies for children with particular issues *Healthy Beginnings Program *Day care services with varying shift availability *Bus system *Hosting Groups for Parents who aren't together but want to successfully co-parent *Separate crisis response staff for CPS after hours/on call	12/15/2017 11:40 AM
11	In home medication monitoring/disbursement services...including non-traditional office hours. 2nd shift social workers. Wrap around services. Intensive in-home services. Family shelters Affordable housing...even if you have a criminal record. Employment services that hire felons or people with criminal records. Cell phones...preferable smart phones to have e-mail function and ipads/laptops...seriously...we might be one of the few counties that don't have this for workers. In the world we live in it is critical for the work we do.	12/15/2017 11:25 AM
12	unknown	12/15/2017 11:23 AM
13	Public transportation No waiting lists for those on CHIPS/JIPS orders Child psychiatry	12/15/2017 11:17 AM
14	The photography program at Northwest Passage would be awesome to try and duplicate.	12/15/2017 11:00 AM
15	home detention services, parent-teen groups, parenting groups focusing on teen issues	12/15/2017 10:55 AM

Data Regarding Out of Home Placements (Group Home, Residential Treatment and Corrections)

As of 12/31/17;

Corrections- 2

Residential Treatment – 7

Group Home- 8

Total= 17

Reason for placement in a restrictive setting;

Sex offender- 3

Autism/ Developmental Disability- 1

Mainly due to criminal behaviors that affect community safety- 3

Combination of Mental Health, AODA, criminal/ out of control behaviors, school problems, past trauma and attachment issues/ ineffective parenting and dysfunctional family issues – 10

The underlying factor common to all the restrictive placements excepting the Autism case is parents with not enough skills and/or support to effectively manage the young person's behaviors. Often this leads to them giving up and otherwise having lack of motivation which then leads to increasing negative behaviors.

Kinship and Foster care figures for 2017

Kinship care payments – total \$428, 974.82 (pass through from the State = 206,866.93) total county expense = 222,107.89

Foster Home payments- total \$561, 627. 60

Child welfare= 469,225.17 (child protection)

Youth Aids= 102,402.43 (juvenile justice)