



**Mental Illness and Drug Dependency (MIDD)
Oversight Committee (OC)
March 26, 2015
11:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m. networking lunch
12:15 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.
King County Chinook Building Rooms 121 & 123
Meeting Notes**

Members:

Johanna Bender, Katherine Cortes, designee for Councilmember Rod Dembowski, Merrill Cousin, Lisa Daugaard, designee for Lorinda Youngcourt, Ashley Fontaine, Patty Hayes, Mike Heinisch, Darcy Jaffe, Norman Johnson, Betsy Jones, designee for Rhonda Berry, Terry Mark, designee for Adrienne Quinn, Barb Miner, Karen Murray, designee for Donald Madsen, Leesa Manion, designee for Dan Satterberg, Councilmember Lynne Robinson, Mary Ellen Stone, Chelene Whiteaker, Mark Wirschem, designee for Bruce Knutson

Other Attendees:

Steve Andryszewski, Bryan Baird, Jesse Benet, Doreen Booth, Margo Burnison, Kelli Carroll, Liz Elwart, Brad Finegood, Jaime Garcia, Lisa Kimmerly, Andrea LaFazia-Geraghty, Emmy McConnell, Geoff Miller, Alex O'Reilly, Susan Schoeld, Mary Taylor, Chris Verschuyt, Jim Vollendroff, Callista Welbaum, Janna Wilson, Ellie Wilson-Jones, Josephine Wong, Maria Yang

1. Welcome and Introductions, Co-Chair Bender ~

Co-Chair Bender called the meeting to order, welcoming the committee and introductions were made by each person in attendance.

2. MIDD Fund Balance Workgroup Report Update, Kelli Carroll ~

This report was approved by the MIDD OC at the February 26, 2015 meeting. There was one recommendation to amend the basis language to add the words, "and families", to Strategy 13a: *Domestic Violence and Mental Health Services*, to read:

"Preserving and enhancing existing strategies that were reduced; prioritizing services for youth and families."

The revision was approved.

3. MIDD Review and Renewal Planning Discussion, Kelli Carroll ~

Through Ordinance 17998, the County Council is asking for two products from the Executive that the MIDD OC will be involved with developing. The legislation calls for a comprehensive, holistic lifelong review of the first MIDD of (MIDD I), a, due on June, 30 2016.

The second item is a Service Improvement Plan for MIDD II that will include references to new MIDD strategies. It is expected to look similar to the MIDD Action Plan, is due to the Council December 1, 2016.

Members were presented with a list of three questions, sparking discussion for the upcoming MIDD program renewal work. Below is a list of these questions, followed by bulleted responses from members.

QUESTIONS

A. What are your assumptions about MIDD review and renewal?

- All the existing MIDD strategies will have a review process.
- There are more needs than the MIDD can fund or serve.
- Services that have been provided, are needed.
- It will be hard work.
- Extensive process to gather community input.
- Apply a logic model to the way that we think about our funding allocations and keep in mind the outcomes we want achieved.
- Legislative intent remains the same (new or expanded services are related to MH, SUD, and therapeutic courts).
- Prioritize prevention.
- Require difficult conversation among members.
- Each program has measurable outcomes.
- Timeframe/sunset; another eight year term.
- The MIDD will be passed.

B. What is your biggest hope & fear about MIDD review and renewal?

Hopes

- Robust economy.
- Procedure for new ideas at the table.
- In light of all the changes, we build in light of these changes. What are the opportunities with health care reform? Build an evaluation process for the MIDD, looking at system issues; indicator levels.
- Unfunded strategies get picked up and there would be some funding freed up for new strategies without destroying another strategy.
- Broadly integrated.
- See more smaller agencies.
- Smaller agencies supported with a process to accommodate; being prepared.

Fears

- With all the energy and good intentions; that MIDD gets too big.
- MIDD funds will be spread too thin.
- The MIDD won't be passed.
- The loudest or politically connected folks will be heard.
- MIDD will be viewed as a program with a lot of money; supplantation.
- Due to difficult conversations about ending/revising strategies, resulting in decisions being pushed off. Members won't engage.
- Some strategies could be sustained elsewhere and time will run out.

C. What are the most important values and guiding principles we should engage as we move into MIDD review and renewal work?

- Use a race and equity lens.
- Where we can, rely on documented outcomes.
- Participants declare what hat they are wearing.
- Using MIDD funding strategically to leverage larger system changes.

- Focus on consumer voice and client input (client-centered).
- The triple aim principle is applied.
- Recognize the value of moving services upstream as far as possible.
- Prioritize innovative collaboration between systems.
- Transparency: the reasoning behind decisions are clear.
- Integration, collaboration, and coordination.
- Supporting King County's vision for healthcare.
- Focus on recovery.
- Self-sustainability for MIDD funding.
- Partnership that leverages sustainability.
- Strategies that move toward integration.
- Transformational.
- Review the five MIDD policy goals to discover their value now.

ROLES & STRUCTURE

Topics for the role and structure of the renewed MIDD program include:

- Anticipated that the MIDD Oversight Committee will remain in place
- A MIDD Review and Renewal Advisory/Strategy Workgroup Team will be created to assist staff
 - A well-represented, diverse group of County folk and Providers, with mechanisms to reach out to underserved and disproportionately impacted communities. Judge Bender would serve as Co-Chair along with the new MIDD Co-Chair (transitioning in June 2015). So far, other identified workgroup members would include Jim Vollendroff, Betsy Jones, Kelli Carroll, and Andrea LaFazia-Geraghty. This workgroup will look at a variety of items: deciding how to look at strategies, what role that performance measures are having, how to prioritize services for various populations.
- Subcommittees and Workgroups will be created as needed

Kelli added she needs additional guidance and solicited thoughts and ideas from OC members in order to structure the work in the most effective way.

Member comments:

- Continue the legacy of bringing uncommon groups together; multi stakeholder meetings.
- Instead of being advisory, become more of a content group if role changes; come back to OC to revisit.
- Close gap between consumers and OC.
- Develop a consumer workgroup.
- The renewal process is convened by the OC, not King County.
- Develop clear criteria for decision making process.
- Ask the hard questions; pushing back to get the data.
- Educate Legislative Branch.
- Linking with cities, jurisdictions, school districts.
- Look through cultural competency lens.

ADJOURNED at 1:30 p.m.

Next Meeting: April 23, 2015

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