



ABOUT OUR PARTNERSHIP

The Southwestern Wisconsin Behavioral Health Partnership project was submitted and accepted by the Medical College of Wisconsin, Advancing a Healthier Wisconsin Endowment in 2017. We will be funded for the coming five years, July 1, 2017-June 30, 2022 and are continuing to build relationships to improve the behavioral health of our communities. The project reach includes all five SWCAP counties: Green, Grant, Iowa, Lafayette and Richland.

PURPOSE

We developed a plan that is aligned with what community members shared were the biggest needs and what they felt would be most effective – and interestingly are also aligned with research and evidence.

Here's what we will be working on together and can potentially use grant funds to accomplish:

1. **Acceptability: Stigma reduction and mental health literacy efforts in communities**
2. **Accessibility: Development and use of a powerful resource /referral tool**
3. **Availability:**
 - **Primary care provider capacity building to feel more comfortable providing behavioral health services, screening and referral**
 - **Peer support training and network development**

We are working with local coalitions, workgroups, and organizations to start taking action in these three key areas. Contact us to find out more or get involved in your community!

ADVISORY BOARD

Grant County:

Jeff Kindrai – Director of Public Health

Jodi Moen – UW-Platteville Counselor

Ashley Trautsch – Social Worker – Gundersen Hospital and Clinic, Boscobel

Pastor Mark Weaver – Lancaster United Methodist Church

Green County:

Rob Miles – Green Co. Human Services Mental Health Supervisor

Frank and Carol Mixdorf – NAMI Green County

Iowa County:

Kim Emerson – Upland Hills Health – Hospital Social Worker

Steve Michek – Iowa County Sheriff

Tom Slaney – Iowa County Director of Social Services

Lafayette County:

Justin Erickson – Erickson Funeral Director

Candi Fitzsimons – Director of Darlington Public Library

Jason King – Darlington Chief of Police

Richland County:

Mike Breininger – Pastor Richland Center Fellowship

Janis Peterson – Community Peer Supporter

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At Large:

Deb Goold – CESA 3 School Counselor Liaison

Jeff Lockhart – Director, Unified Community Services, Grant & Iowa Counties

Mary Mezera – Regional Director – SW WI Aging & Disability Resource Center

PROGRAM DIRECTOR

Our program director is Bridget Mouchon-Humphrey, who leads and administers the project, and coordinates regional outreach, education, and community/coalition initiatives. Her background includes ten years as a Family living Agent with the Green County UW-Extension, where she worked on issues of immigrant families, parenting, family financial stability, poverty, homelessness and community mental health. She holds a Masters Degree in Human Ecology, specializing in Human Development and Family Studies.

Bridget works with Liz Feder and Robin Leconet from the UW Population Health Institute to monitor community change in regard to behavioral health, and with Tom Mosgaller, a national expert and locally based Asset-Based Community Development consultant.

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