

AGENDA
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AD HOC COMMITTEE

DATE: May 15, 2018

TIME: 12:00 P.M.

LOCATION: Wood County Courthouse Safety Conference Room

1. Call meeting to order.
2. Public comments.
3. Approve minutes of the previous meeting.
4. Report from Human Services on Crisis Stabilization and a possible unit at the North Wood County Annex Building.
5. Discussion of information presented.
6. Assign tasks, if any, to be assigned between meetings.
7. Set date, time, and location of the next meeting.
8. Future Agenda items for next meeting.
9. Adjourn.

HHS Ad Hoc Committee on Out of Home Care Meeting Minutes

DATE: May 4, 2018

TIME: 9:00 am

PLACE: Wood County River Block, Health Dept EOC

PRESENT: Adam Fischer, Al Breu, Dawn Schmutzer, Tim McNaughton, Brandon Vruwink, Tom Buttke, Beth Ferdon.

OTHERS PRESENT: Jodi Liegl, Craig Rasmussen

Meeting called to order at 9am by Chairman Fischer.

Public Comment: None.

Minutes: motion by Buttke to approve minutes, second by Breu. 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.

Elections: Adam Fischer, Chair; Al Breu, Vice Chair; Lori Slattery-Smith, Secretary.

Juvenile Justice Case Review: Craig presented two cases currently active in Wood County. One was a youth who had no prior history with the department. First offense was at 16 years old. The case has a good prognosis even though first offense was intense. Second case was a youth with a long history with the department starting at the age of 11. This youth had 38 referrals within four years. Craig stated that the complexity of the cases has increased. Many have a family history of AODA and mental health issues.

Possible Residential Treatment Facility in Wood County: Beth went through the handout. Handout is attached. After review, the fiscal feasibility of this is not within our scope. One of the main issues other locations have had is retaining staff.

Discussion: Question of what can the County/Human Services do to help prevent youth from needing out of home placement. Discussion around intensive in-home services was had. Family Services in restructuring to include an Intensive Services Unit. These staff will try to intervene earlier.

The idea of a crisis stabilization unit vs a RCC was discussed.

Assign Tasks: Gather more information on what an 8-bed Crisis Stabilization facility would look like at Norwood. Is it sustainable? State has in budget for one 8-bed facility and will fund it fully. No rules set yet.

Next meeting: May 15, 2018 at 12pm (noon), Courthouse, Safety Conf Room.

Adjourned: meeting was adjourned at 10:30 am.

Recorder: Dawn Schmutzer

Developing a Residential Treatment Center at the Norwood location

Estimated Revenues:

1) Revenue for 8 beds @ \$500 per day for one year would be \$1,460,000. That assumes all the beds are full every day and that the facility charges a high end daily rate. There will be vacancies occasionally and a high daily rate is not guaranteed.

We might also be able to recapture some expenses through Medicaid, however that can be difficult to document adequately enough for re-imbursement and there are additional costs related to that level of documentation and certification.

Daily Rates for Residential Care are \$260- \$516 per day. The services offered at the facility which charges \$516 per day are much more intensive than what I am proposing.

Estimated Costs (based on an 8 bed unit):

Approximate Renovation Costs to convert to a Residential Treatment Center for Youth - \$250,000

Basic Operating Costs per year-

Personnel Costs	\$1,971,505
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Meals Cost	\$123,691
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Laundry Costs	\$3499
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Housekeeping Costs	\$16,995
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Maintenance and Utilities Costs \$ 58, 807

Computers and Phones	\$22,500
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Supplies	\$10,000.00
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Total Basic Operating Expense Estimate \$ 2,206,997

Costs which are difficult to estimate:

1) There will be additional costs related to maintenance as the youth in residential treatment tend to be destructive.

- 2) There will also be costs related to increased worker's compensation claims as staff will be injured by youth.
- 3) There will be additional costs related to providing transportation to appointments, home visits and community activities. There will also be costs related to providing healthy recreational activities for youth.
- 4) There will be costs related to certifying staff to provide manual restraints and verbal de-escalation to youth.

Additional Considerations:

- 1) Marshfield would need to give permission to house a facility of this type within their city. They may resist having youth with serious emotional and behavioral problems in a facility there. There would be increased police calls due to the need to support staff in mob action situations and locate runaways. There will be increased crime committed by runaways when they are on run.
- 2) There will be some increased risk and disruption factors for the existing facilities at Norwood, especially if youth leave the unit unattended and go to the other areas.
- 3) Many facilities have had some severe challenges maintaining staffing adequate to keeping the facility open. There is high turnover for these jobs because of the personal risk from youth physically and legally. Eagles Nest group home recently closed because they could not maintain adequate staffing.
- 4) Some facilities have closed within the past few years due to the increasing level of violence and need for increased staffing and supervision of residents. Saint A's Residential Services closed last year stating that they could no longer provide the level of care needed by youth at the daily rate they charged which was near the top of the scale.
- 5) The Judges and DA's office sometime want youth placed outside of Wood County to keep them from maintaining unhealthy connections here. At times this is in the youth's best interest. There is also pressure to place youth outside the county from victims.