2017 REPORT TO THE WISCONSIN LEGISLATURE

Wisconsin Office of Children’s Mental Health
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Dear Friends,

Almost four years have passed since the Wisconsin Office of Children’s Mental Health (OCMH) was created. We published our first report in 2014 outlining data related to children’s involvement in the state’s service systems and soon recognized that we had addressed an important need. As a result of stakeholder feedback, we made a commitment to revisit child and family data every three years. As such, this year’s report provides information that creates a picture of the social and emotional well-being of Wisconsin’s children and families.

For a variety of reasons, both national and Wisconsin child service outcomes are not well-documented. It is our hope that the data found in this report serves as a proxy for the effectiveness of Wisconsin’s child and family policies and programs within service areas such as mental health, public schools, youth justice, and child welfare.

Numbers, graphs, and tables only tell part of the story. Also incorporated into the fact sheets are the reflections of Children’s Mental Health Collective Impact parents and young adults. These leaders remind us that children and families’ well-being is at imminent risk and our immediate attention is needed.

Looking into 2018, our office will invest in better understanding data from a systems’ perspective – for example, if we identify a correlation in the reduction in juvenile detentions and an increase in crisis services and emergency detentions, will deeper analyses uncover that children are being re-directed from a more punitive system to more appropriate mental health services?

Additionally, we will continue supporting the Children’s Mental Health Collective Impact with the following anticipated results:

- increased racial and ethnic diversity within the Collective Impact Partner group,
- accelerated statewide mapping of trauma-informed care (TIC) initiatives and continued TIC policy workshops,
- updated OCMH website leading to greater public awareness of and easier access to tools created within the collective impact workgroups, and
- improved access to mental health services through the development of a children’s mental health “single point of entry” plan.

Another central activity in the coming year will include hiring a new Family Relations Coordinator. Joann Stephens, our first coordinator, provided expert leadership to the collective impact parents and young adults. Her work will continue at her new job with the Department of Health Services, while her legacy of family and youth-driven services will remain strong at the OCMH.

If you would like to learn more about our work, or have an interest in participating in children’s mental health change efforts, please be in touch.

All the Best,

Elizabeth Hudson
The Wisconsin Office of Children’s Mental Health (OCMH) was created in the 2013-2015 biennial budget to support Wisconsin’s children in achieving their optimal social and emotional well-being. Statutorily, the OCMH is charged with the following:

- Improve children and families access to services, with a focus on resources provided by the Department of Children and Families, Department of Corrections, Department of Health Services, and Department of Public Instruction;
- Facilitate communication with all child and family-serving state agencies, coordinate initiatives, and monitor children’s mental health service performance;
- Support administrative efficiencies to reduce duplication among child- and family-serving state agencies; and
- Submit an annual report of the above to the Wisconsin legislature.

**OCMH Activities**: In 2017, OCMH staff activities ranged from increasing the awareness of resiliency to addressing the needs of the children and families most impacted by mental health issues. Some highlights included the following:

- OCMH served as the backbone organization for the Children’s Mental Health Collective Impact activities which included developing tools to create a resilient Wisconsin; mapping trauma-informed care activities across the state; organizing and facilitating trauma-informed care policy workshops; and aligning agencies to track and augment resource and help lines for families.
- OCMH was awarded a Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration technical assistance grant to increase access to infant mental health consultation and strengthen partnerships across systems serving young children and their families.
- OCMH, in partnership with the Department of Children and Families and the Institute for Child and Family Well-Being, received a federal grant to increase children and families’ access to evidence-based mental health treatments along with the integration of parent and youth voice in developing and implementing services.
- OCMH’s participation in the Mobilizing Action for Resilient Communities (MARC) resulted in national networking opportunities, stipends for Collective Impact parent and young adult’s participation and leadership, creation of resources including brochures and a Wisconsin collective impact video, and relationships with several Wisconsin businesses interested in learning about adverse childhood experiences and trauma-informed care.
- As a member of the Fostering Futures steering committee, OCMH staff assisted in national activities including the introduction of a House Resolution (H.R. 443, 2017) and Senate Resolution (S. R. 346, 2017) recognizing the importance and effectiveness of trauma-informed care.

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1 State Alcohol, Drug Abuse, Developmental Disabilities and Mental Health Act. Wis. Stat. § 51.025(1)
Tracking Wisconsin's Child Well-Being: In the 2014 annual report, the OCMH outlined data related to the prevalence of mental health issues, services available, and system outcomes. In 2016, the OCMH published a set of 48 child well-being indicators focused on children's resilience, risks to well-being, mental health services, and outcomes. In addition to updating the Wisconsin Child Well-Being Indicator dashboard, this year’s report includes fact sheets related to Medicaid services including school-based mental health, outpatient mental health treatment, and psychiatric hospitalizations. The fact sheets additionally provide data on child serving systems such as youth justice, education, and child welfare.

Several data points indicate that Wisconsin's children are experiencing increased distress. For example, over the past five years:

- Youth crisis intervention services increased by 25% (2011 to 2015).
- Youth self-harm rates significantly increased, doubling for females (2011-2014).

In contrast, several trends related to access are more promising:

- 30% more children on Medicaid received mental health services in 2015 compared to 2012.
- Children’s outpatient mental health funded by Medicaid increased by 7% from 2013 to 2014, and by 8% from 2014 to 2015.
- Wisconsin tripled the number of children receiving Medicaid funded mental health services in a school setting (2013-2015).
- Waiting lists for long term support services will be eliminated, expanding access to care for approximately 2,600 children with developmental disabilities, physical disabilities, or severe emotional disturbances.

Two additional trends suggest children may be receiving more effective services and supports leading to a decrease in the need for hospitalization and psychotropic medications:

- Children’s psychiatric hospitalizations funded by Medicaid decreased by 15% (2015).
- Antipsychotic and stimulant drug prescriptions for children on Medicaid decreased by 37% and 20% respectively over the past 4 years (2012-2016).

Increased Funding: The 2017-2018 biennial budget represented Wisconsin’s continued commitment to children’s mental health.

- $6,250,000 to improve and expand school mental health services.
- $1.2 million over fiscal year 2018-2019 to develop an eight-bed children’s crisis treatment and stabilization facility.
- $500,000 additional funding to expand the Child Psychiatric Consultation Program (CPCP).
- $3,900,000 additional funding to increase access to home visiting.
- $16 million to eliminate the waiting list for long-term supports for approximately 2,600 children with developmental disabilities, physical disabilities, or severe emotional disturbances.
$200,000 of tribal gaming revenue to fund a feasibility study and business plan for a tribal youth wellness center in northern Wisconsin.\(^2\)

Other good news in 2017 included Wisconsin’s Medicaid changes in service authorization, known as “prior authorization,” leading to more expedited access to behavioral health services. Additionally, Wisconsin increased Medicaid reimbursement rates for mental health professionals and substance use counselors with the goal of increasing the number of behavioral health providers serving people who are insured through Medicaid.

**OCMH Future Activities:** In the coming year, the OCMH will continue to address its mission to “innovate, integrate and improve Wisconsin’s child and family service systems resulting in thriving children, youth, and families” by implementing the following plans:

**Innovate**
- Reexamine and restructure the Family Relations Coordinator position resulting in increased integration of parent and young adult leadership in policy and program development across state agencies.
- Create a web-based, interactive state map documenting county and regional collective impact activities.
- Continue disseminating the science of Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) and trauma-informed care (TIC) to Wisconsin businesses.

**Integrate**
- Expand the Children’s Mental Health Collective Impact (CMHCI) initiative to be more representative of Wisconsin’s racially, ethnically, and geographically diverse population.
- Increase membership of the Children’s Emergency Detention and Crisis Stabilization Services (CEDCS) workgroup to include a wider range of stakeholders including hospitals, schools, and law enforcement representatives.
- Engage the OCMH Research Advisory Council in cross-departmental data analysis and invite participation from the Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Epidemiology Center.

**Improve**
- Redesign the website with focus areas on intuitive navigation, simple graphics, and interactive tools.
- Promote data-driven policy and program development by broadly distributing the OCMH child well-being indicator dashboard and the fifteen fact sheets contained in this report.
- Continue providing state and national technical assistance in the areas of trauma-informed care, parent and youth leadership, and collective impact.

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\(^2\) Please see the appendix for a full description of Wisconsin’s budget allocations related to children and families’ social and emotional well-being.
The following pyramid highlights the OCMH’s grounding in a public health framework and the OCMH staff’s resulting participation in activities spanning the prevention-to-intervention continuum.

Within this visual depiction of the OCMH activities, the pyramid’s base represents prevention efforts with a focus on the general population, often called “universal approaches.” The middle of the pyramid signifies activities that may be categorized as early intervention or “targeted approaches” and applies to a subset of the general population. Finally, the tip of the pyramid highlights “interventions” for children and families who have more complex issues requiring mental health treatment.

The following additional information is represented on the following pages:

- Colors represent the activities’ focus areas identified as “collaboration, early childhood, mental health, resilience and trauma-informed care, and other.”
- A purple ring highlights parent and young adult leadership and involvement.
- The text following the pyramid provides additional information including the state agencies involved. (Please note that many of the activities include wide representation from multiple organizations however this report’s main focus is on state agencies’ activities.)
- The text includes a brief description of the purpose of the activity, followed by accomplishments and the OCMH’s level of involvement.
- Relevant fact sheets complete the activities’ descriptions.

State Agency Acronyms:
CANPB – Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Board
DCF – Department of Children and Families
DHS – Department of Health Services
DOC – Department of Corrections
DPI – Department of Public Instruction
DVA – Department of Veterans Affairs
DWD – Department of Workforce Development
OCMH – Office of Children’s Mental Health
WEDC – Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation
Activities 1-11 (Tip of Pyramid – mental health interventions)

1. **Children's Behavioral Health Collaboration (DCF, DHS, OCMH)**
   
   **Purpose:** Address psychotropic prescribing patterns for children on Medicaid with a particular focus on children in foster care.
   
   **Accomplishments:** Identified medication types and psychotropic prescribing trend data using Medicaid data and contributed to efforts related to decreasing the number of antipsychotics prescribed to children.
   
   **OCMH Involvement:** Member and workgroup
   
   **Relevant fact sheets:**
   
   - Psychotropic Medication Prescribing (p. 53)

2. **Children Come First Advisory Committee and CCF System of Care Advisory Subcommittee (DCF, DHS, DOC, DPI, DWD, OCMH)**
   
   **Purpose:** Champion statewide collaborative systems of care for children and their families.
   
   **Accomplishments:** Support for the expansion and improvement of Wisconsin’s mental health system of care (e.g., wraparound services and Coordinated Service Teams Initiatives).
   
   **OCMH Involvement:** Member and workgroup
   
   **Relevant fact sheets:**
   
   - All

3. **Children with Complex Needs (DCF, DHS, OCMH)**
   
   **Purpose:** Identify solutions to address the issue of Wisconsin children being sent out of state for mental health residential care.
   
   **Accomplishments:** Conducted a root-cause analysis of the problem which included a county and provider; discussed creating a new model for children’s mental health residential services; and select members visited Tennessee facility.
   
   **OCMH Involvement:** Member
   
   **Relevant fact sheets:**
   
   - Youth Psychiatric Hospitalizations (p. 63)

   
   **Purpose:** Increase children and families’ access to mental health services.
   
   **Accomplishments:** Promoted the use of the Wisconsin First Step help line and Wisconsin 2-1-1; identified gaps in existing resources; and identified ways to increase parent and youth involvement in developing programs and policies to ensure that programs are driven by family and youth.
OCMH Involvement: Leadership

Relevant fact sheets:
- All

5. Child Psychiatry Consultation Program (CPCP) Advisory Council (DCF, DHS, DPI, OCMH)

Purpose: Increase primary medical care providers’ access to child-focused mental health consultation.

Accomplishments: Increased CPCP enrollment and community mental health referrals.

OCMH Involvement: Member and workgroup

Relevant fact sheets:
- Mental Health Providers (p. 45)
- Psychotropic Medication (p. 53)
- Youth Psychiatric Hospitalizations (p. 63)
- Youth Suicide and Self Harm (p. 65)


Purpose: Develop and implement plans to improve child abuse and neglect investigations related to children with disabilities.

Accomplishments: Established recommendations which included the following: strengthen assessments; link state agencies’ data systems; provide resources to caregivers and professionals; and increase service access for families who are assessed but do not enter the child welfare system.

OCMH Involvement: Member and workgroup

Relevant fact sheets:
- Child Maltreatment and Out-of-Home Care (p. 37)
- Children’s Medicaid (p. 41)
- Services for Children with Delays or Disabilities (p. 59)

7. Child Welfare, DCF Secretary’s Advisory Council (CANPB, DCF, DOC, OCMH)

Purpose: Advise the DCF Secretary regarding policy, budget, and program issues that impact the safety, permanence, and well-being of Wisconsin children and families.

Accomplishments: Discussed topics such as mental health services, school-based mental health, disparities within the child welfare system, children with disabilities, and child welfare staff turnover.

OCMH Involvement: Member

Relevant fact sheets:
- All

8. Emergency Detention and Crisis Stabilization Workgroup (DCF, DHS, OCMH)

Purpose: Reduce youth emergency detentions and improve youth crisis stabilization responses.

Accomplishments: Supported a budget proposal for a crisis stabilization facility and provided county level emergency detention data leading to changed county crisis responses.

For more information visit www.children.wi.gov
OCMH Involvement: Leadership

Relevant fact sheets:

- Child Maltreatment and Out-of-Home-Care (p. 37)
- Crisis Intervention (p. 43)
- Youth Justice (p. 61)
- Youth Psychiatric Hospitalizations (p. 63)
- Youth Suicide and Self Harm (p. 65)

SAMHSA Grant – Trauma and Recovery Collaboration (DCF, OCMH)

Purpose: Increase access to child and family mental health treatments and increase family leadership in program and policy design.

Accomplishments: Awarded grant with activities to begin in 2018.

OCMH Involvement: Leadership

Relevant fact sheets:

- All

Trauma Free Care Workgroup (DCF, DHS, DPI, OCMH)

Purpose: Promote trauma-informed care within congregate care and day treatment settings.

Accomplishments: Identified a curriculum and began planning a summit.

OCMH Involvement: Member and workgroup

Relevant fact sheets:

- Child Maltreatment and Out-of-Home Care (p. 37)
- Crisis Intervention Services (p. 43)
- Youth Justice (p. 61)

Youth Justice, DCF Secretary’s Advisory Council (DCF, DOC, OCMH)

Purpose: Advise DCF on supporting a stronger community-based youth justice system with a focus on prevention and diversion, accountability, and services to youth and families.

Accomplishments: Gathered stakeholder input to create a strategic plan that includes the following: training; data collection; technical assistance; developing standards for assessment and the use of detention; gathering input from youth, families and providers; and communicating progress.

OCMH Involvement: Member

Relevant fact sheets:

- All

Activities 12-27 (Middle of Pyramid – targeted approaches)

Children’s Mental Health Collective Impact Executive Council (CANPB, DCF, DHS, DOC, DPI, OCMH)

Purpose: Provide guidance to the five collective impact workgroups with a focus on transforming Wisconsin’s children’s mental health system.
Accomplishments: Increased cross system, public/private network connections; integrated resilience and trauma-informed care into policies and practices; and increased parent and youth involvement and leadership in policy and program development.

OCMH Involvement: Leadership

Relevant fact sheets:
- All

**Children’s Mental Health Collective Impact Infant Toddler Policy Group (CANPB, DCF, DHS, DPI, OCMH)**

*Purpose:* Increase use of infant mental health consultation and other strategies that promote positive infant/caregiver attachment and healthy early brain development.

*Accomplishments:* Received a three year technical assistance grant from SAMHSA to develop cross-system infant mental health consultation infrastructure.

*OCMH Involvement: Leadership*

Relevant fact sheets:
- Children’s Medicaid Funded Mental Health Services (p. 41)
- Mental Health Providers (p. 45)
- Resilience (p. 55)
- School Outcomes (p. 57)

**Children’s Mental Health Collective Impact Trauma-Informed Care (TIC) Workgroup (DCF, DHS, DOC, DPI, OCMH)**

*Purpose:* Promote statewide TIC transformation across child and family serving systems.

*Accomplishments:* Sponsored five TIC policy workshops and created an interactive map of Wisconsin’s TIC initiatives.

*OCMH Involvement: Leadership*

Relevant fact sheets:
- All

**Children’s Mental Health Collective Impact Partners (DCF, DHS, OCMH)**

*Purpose:* Promote system-wide parent and youth involvement and leadership in policy and program development.

*Accomplishments:* See CIP activities on page 21.

*OCMH Involvement: Leadership*

Relevant fact sheets:
- All

**Community of Practice on Autism Spectrum Disorder and other Developmental Disabilities (CANPB, DCF, DHS, DPI, OCMH)**

*Purpose:* Plan, facilitate and evaluate the Community of Practice plan to promote children’s healthy social and emotional development.
Accomplishments: Sponsored the learning series, “Mental Health and Autism/Developmental Disabilities” with topics including education and awareness, parent supports and advocacy, professional development, medical homes, and school-age and youth transition issues.

OCMH Involvement: Member

Relevant fact sheets:
- Resilience (p. 55)
- Services for Children with Delays or Disabilities (p. 59)

17 Family Foundations Home Visiting Implementation Team (CANPB, DCF, DHS, DPI, OCMH)

Purpose: Oversee the state plan for home visiting programs.

Accomplishments: Issued a request for proposals; recommended priorities in distributing funding to RFP recipients; and reviewed the annual report provided to the federal government.

OCMH Involvement: Member

Relevant fact sheets:
- Child Maltreatment and Out-of-Home Care (p.37)
- Resilience (p. 55)

18 Fostering Futures (CANPB, DCF, DHS, DOC, DPI, DVA, DWD, OCMH, WEDC)

Purpose: Create state and national trauma-informed care transformation with the leadership of Wisconsin’s First Lady, Tonette Walker.

Accomplishments: Completed phase two and initiated phase three TIC transformation with a focus on county service systems and state agencies; initiated broader state and national awareness of the importance of TIC; and supported the proposed House and Senate TIC resolutions.

OCMH Involvement: Member and workgroup

Relevant fact sheets:
- Child Maltreatment and Out-of-Home Care (p. 37)
- Collective Impact Trauma-Informed Care (p. 25)
- Collective Impact Resilience (p. 27)
- Resilience (p. 55)

19 Head Start Collaboration Advisory Committee (DCF, DHS, DPI, OCMH)

Purpose: Enhance the coordination and collaboration among Head Start and Early Head Start agencies and other stakeholders who provide services to low-income children and their families.

Accomplishments: Initiated a spreadsheet of data resources for needs’ assessments; supported collaboration, blended funding and data collection between participating Head Start programs and child care centers; and promoted resources for trauma-informed transformation in early care and education.

OCMH Involvement: Member

Relevant fact sheets:
• Collective Impact Trauma-Informed Care (p. 25)
• Resilience (p. 55)

**Leading Together (CANPB, DCF, DHS, DPI, OCMH)**
*Purpose:* Developed a list of resources and activities that promote the development of families’ leadership skills.
*Accomplishments:* Developed a curriculum for integrating family participation in medical homes and created a family leadership resource page located on the [Family Voices’ website](http://www.children.wi.gov).
*OCMH Involvement:* Member and workgroup
*Relevant fact sheets:*
  - Children’s Medicaid (p. 41)
  - Outpatient Mental Health (p. 51)
  - Mental Health Providers (p. 45)
  - Psychotropic Medication Prescribing (p. 53)
  - Services for Children with Delays or Disabilities (p. 59)

**Medical Home Implementation Team (CANPB, DHS, DCF, DPI, OCMH)**
*Purpose:* Increase access to medical homes for Wisconsin’s children and youth with special health care needs.
*Accomplishments:* Created a care coordination curriculum; produced promotional materials; added new resources to [Wisconsin First Step](http://www.children.wi.gov), the children’s behavioral health online resource directory; and increased medical home enrollment for children with special health care needs.
*OCMH Involvement:* Member and workgroup
*Relevant fact sheets:*
  - Children’s Medicaid (p. 41)
  - Outpatient Mental Health (p. 51)
  - Mental Health Providers (p. 55)
  - Psychotropic Medication Prescribing (p. 53)
  - Services for Children with Delays or Disabilities (p. 59)

**Parent Peer Specialist Workgroup (DHS, DPI, OCMH)**
*Purpose:* Create a Wisconsin certification process for Parent Peer Specialists. See [timeline](http://www.children.wi.gov).
*Accomplishments:* Developed scope of practice, core competencies, code of ethics, and continuing education requirements.
*OCMH Involvement:* Member and workgroup
*Relevant fact sheets:*
  - Mental Health Providers (p. 45)
  - Outpatient Mental Health (p. 51)

**Research Advisory Council (DCF, DHS, DOC, DPI, DWD, OCMH)**
*Purpose:* Establish a network of data analysts focused on improving child well-being who represent state agencies, tribal communities, and other stakeholders.

For more information visit [www.children.wi.gov](http://www.children.wi.gov)
Accomplishments: Created a Tableau user group; discussed disaggregating data by race; and reviewed the OCMH fact sheets.

OCMH Involvement: Leadership

Relevant fact sheets:
- All

State Agencies’ Collaborative on Child Well-Being (CANPB, DCF, DHS, DOC, DPI, OCMH)

Purpose: Promote policy and program awareness and alignment across state agencies.

Accomplishments: Created two document housed on the OCMH website – one highlighting collaborative projects and initiatives and the other, a list of state-led meetings involving children's social and emotional development.

OCMH Involvement: Leadership

Relevant fact sheets:
- All

State Management Team for Safe Schools, Healthy Students, and Project AWARE (DCF, DHS, DPI, OCMH)

Purpose: Support school districts and communities focused on enhancing safety, support, and behavioral health awareness.

Accomplishments: Trained adults in Youth Mental Health First Aid; provided suicide prevention trainings; updated the suicide prevention curriculum.

OCMH Involvement: Member

Relevant fact sheets:
- Children's Medicaid (p. 41)
- Crisis Intervention (p. 43)
- Mental Health Providers (p. 45)
- Mental Health Services in Schools (p. 47)
- Outpatient Mental Health (p. 51)
- Resilience (p. 55)
- School Outcomes (p. 57)
- Youth Psychiatric Hospitalizations (p. 63)
- Youth Suicide and Self Harm (p. 65)

Trauma Sensitive Schools (DCF, DPI, OCMH)

Purpose: Provide TIC training focused on universal approaches; targeted strategies for student who need additional supports; and intensive interventions for students who require ongoing support.

Accomplishments: Created the Trauma Sensitive Schools learning modules which are used throughout Wisconsin and nationally.

OCMH Involvement: Member

Relevant fact sheets:
- All
Wisconsin Council on Mental Health Children and Youth Subcommittee (DCF, DHS, DPI, OCMH)

**Purpose:** Advise the governor, the legislature and DHS on the allocation of Mental Health Block Grant (MHBG) funds and evaluate the mental health system’s progress in increasing service access and improving child and family service outcomes.

**Accomplishments:** Provided feedback on the MHBG needs’ assessment and plan; studied infant mental health consultation and mental health workforce retention; and recruited a parent to join the subcommittee.

**OCMH Involvement:** Member

**Relevant fact sheets:**
- All

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Activities 28-34 (Bottom of pyramid – universal or population-based approaches)

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Children's Mental Health Collective Impact Resiliency Workgroup (CANPB, DCF, DHS, DOC, DPI, OCMH)

**Purpose:** Increase child, family, agency, and system resiliency across Wisconsin.

**Accomplishments:** Created and piloted resiliency presentations; developed a list of resilience building resources; piloted “Building a Resilience Culture”; and compiled a list of strength-based questions to integrate into child and family assessments.

**OCMH Involvement:** Leadership

**Relevant fact sheets:**
- Collective Impact Resiliency (p. 27)
- Mental Health Services in Schools (p. 47)
- Resilience (p. 55)

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Maternal Child Health Advisory Committee (DCF, DHS, DPI, OCMH)

**Purpose:** Advise Wisconsin’s maternal and child health and children and youth with special health care needs programs on improving the well-being of infants, children, adolescents, and children and youth with special health care needs.

**Accomplishments:** Included TIC and resiliency training requirements in an RFP for a state-wide resource help line and developed a five year action plan.

**OCMH Involvement:** Member

**Relevant fact sheets:**
- Children’s Demographics and Well-Being (p. 39)
- Services for Children with Delays and Disabilities (p. 59)
- Youth Suicide and Self-Harm (p. 65)

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Media Activities (USA Today-Wisconsin)

**Purpose:** Raise awareness and promote citizen action on a wide range of topics related to children’s mental health.

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For more information visit www.children.wi.gov
Accomplishments: USA Today-Wisconsin hosted suicide prevention trainings across the state; facilitated community discussions following the airing of “13 Reasons Why”; reported on TIC activities; and monitored children’s mental health through continued “Kids in Crisis” reporting and the Legislative Action Tracker.

OCMH Involvement: Resource

Relevant fact sheets:
- Crisis Intervention Services (p. 43)
- Mental Health Providers (p. 45)
- Mental Health Services in Schools (p. 47)
- Outpatient Mental Health (p. 51)
- Youth Psychiatric Hospitalizations (p. 63)
- Youth Suicide and Self-Harm (p. 65)

Mobilizing Action for Resilient Communities (MARC) (OCMH, WEDC)

Purpose: Create sustained positive impact on all child-serving systems by including the voice of lived experience in system-wide quality improvement and disseminate the science of ACEs and resilience to Wisconsin businesses.

Accomplishments: Provided financial reimbursement for parent and young adults’ expertise, time, and travel costs; provided pre and post meeting information and resources to enhance parent/youth leadership and participation; and presented a resilience-focused curriculum and mindfulness app to businesses.

OCMH Involvement: Leadership

Relevant fact sheets:
- Collective Impact Resilience (p. 27)
- Collective Impact Trauma-Informed Care (p. 25)
- Resilience (p. 55)

Strengthening Families in Early Care and Education (CANPB, DCF, DHS, DPI, OCMH)

Purpose: Enhance connections with early care and education systems as a means of preventing child abuse and neglect and strengthening family resiliency.

Accomplishments: Developed a survey to gather information on how Strengthening Families is being implemented across Wisconsin’s child serving systems and held two train-the-trainer sessions for Bring the Protective Factors to Life in Your Work.

OCMH Involvement: Member

Relevant fact sheets:
- Child Maltreatment and Out-of-Home Care (p. 37)
- Children’s Demographics and Well-Being (p. 39)
- Resilience (p. 55)

Wisconsin Governor’s State Advisory Council on Early Childhood Education and Care (CANPB, DCF, DHS, DPI, DOC, OCMH)
Purpose: Advise the DCF Secretary and the DPI Superintendent on strategies to promote healthy early childhood development.
Accomplishments: Created three proposals for the Governor’s consideration and received funding in the 2017-2018 state budget for home visiting.
OCMH Involvement: Member

Relevant fact sheets:
- Child Maltreatment and Out-of-Home Care (p. 37)
- Resilience (p. 55)
- School Outcomes (p. 57)

**Wisconsin Knows Children's Mental Health Matters Coalition (DCF, DHS, DPI, OCMH)**

Purpose: Destigmatize mental health issues and promote children's mental health awareness.
Accomplishments: Held a ceremony and recognized winners of the “My Feelings Matter” poster contest.
OCMH Involvement: Member and workgroup

Relevant fact sheets:
- All
Wisconsin’s Children’s Mental Health Collective Impact (CMCI) Initiative: The OCMH serves as the “backbone” organization which means that OCMH staff does the following to support collective impact activities:

- Support parent and youth participation,
- Provide topic-related data and research,
- Facilitate agenda setting,
- Co-create power points and other presentation material,
- Provide handouts,
- Arrange meeting space,
- Takes notes,
- Provide refreshments,
- Oversee technology for virtual participation, and
- Maintain continuous communication.

The CMHCI’s membership includes a wide range of stakeholders who make up the executive council and five workgroups. Combined, these groups have focused on the following actions:

- Aligning child and family serving systems to increase coordination resulting in better outcomes and the reduction of families’ confusion and stress related to siloed services,
- Bringing data and analysis to state agencies and the general public,
- Identifying easier, single-access entry, into mental health services,
- Integrating trauma-informed care into a wide range of service sectors,
- Presenting information across Wisconsin on the topic of resilience and what makes children and families strong during times of stress and adversity.

The following pages represent more information about collective impact activities.
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Collective Impact: Collective is a structured approach to systems change. The process brings together a wide variety of stakeholders who use data to identify root causes of a problem. Once the problem’s complexity is understood, the group implements solutions and monitors outcomes by using shared measures.

The Wisconsin Children’s Mental Health Collective Impact is populated by a wide range of stakeholders who make up the executive council and workgroups. The executive council sets the common agenda and receives updates on workgroup progress. The workgroups identify and implement strategies to address identified issues while data-driven decisions guide the process.

The OCMH serves as the “backbone” which includes activities such as arranging meeting space, taking notes, overseeing technology, facilitating the creation of agendas, supporting parent and youth membership, and providing data and cross system information. OCMH also creates and maintains tools such as dashboards, visual mapping, and websites.

Collective Impact Partners (CIPs): Improving the service systems requires leadership and input from people who have experienced services first hand. For this reason, parents and youth co-chair or participate in all collective impact activities. Their voice and experiences help to inform the organizations of positive developments, reach and scope of services, service missteps, and unhelpful or cumbersome policies and practices.
The Wisconsin Children’s Mental Health Collective Impact Executive Council provides guidance and strategic direction to the collective impact workgroups. After accumulating data and information about the problems, workgroups propose solutions, implementation strategies, and monitor and activities.

In addition to the four collective impact workgroups already in place (access, trauma-informed care, resiliency and Collective Impact Partners), the Executive Council agreed to add a fifth group focused on infant and early childhood mental health consultation.

Each workgroup meets monthly to work on strategies and then presents activities and challenges to the executive council for large group analysis.

In 2017, workgroup challenges included the following: increasing network connections; improving communication; allotting enough time and having enough data for root cause analysis; creating lasting systems’ change; integrating resilience and trauma-informed care into agencies’ policies and practices; and increasing parent and youth voice in policy and program development.

Relationships established in collective impact have resulted in increased collaboration on initiatives as well as increased inclusion of parent leadership across state agencies.

### Mission
Every child is safe, nurtured and supported to promote optimal health and well-being.

### Access to Supports and Services
Wisconsin’s infants, children, youth and their families have timely access to high quality, trauma-informed, culturally appropriate mental health services that promote children’s social and emotional development.

### Trauma-informed Care Implementation
Systems are family-friendly, trauma-informed, easy to navigate, equitable, and inclusive of people with diverse cultures, ethnicity, race, gender identity, sexual orientation and socio-economic status.

### Availability of Resilience Tools
All Wisconsin’s infants, children, youth and their families have accurate and timely information and supports needed for socio-emotional development, optimal mental health and resiliency, including relationships and social networks that provide friendship, love and hope.

### Shared Measures
The Executive Council asked each workgroup to choose three of the 48 indicators from the Office of Children’s Mental Health Child Well-Being Indicator dashboard to measure workgroup progress. Workgroups will report progress after the release of each year’s new Indicator dashboard.

### Key Takeaways:
- Promote awareness of existing resources for families and providers
- Promote a no wrong door or single point of entry for children’s mental health services
- Increase parent and youth voice in the system of care
- Make data driven decisions

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Who are the CIPs?

Collective impact parent/caregiver and young adult partners, also known as CIPs, bring decades of “lived experience” having been enrolled or involved in child- and family-serving systems such as mental health, special education, juvenile justice, and/or child welfare, to their participation and leadership in the Children’s Mental Health Collective Impact Executive Council meetings and workgroups.

The CIPs are big-picture, systems thinkers. With their insights and guidance, state agencies and other collaborating partners are better able to recognize gaps in services, deficient programs, and unhelpful or cumbersome policies and practices.

CIPs Build Skills in Parent and Youth Advocates

In coordination with the Wisconsin Office of Children’s Mental Health (OCMH) Family Relations Coordinator, CIPs develop and host trainings to develop skills not only for CIPs but for any interested Wisconsin parents and young adults.

Trauma-informed Care 101

In November 2016, fifty-three parents and young adults learned about the impact and prevalence of trauma, steps to becoming trauma-informed, and how to engage child- and family-serving systems in the implementation of trauma-informed care. Two thirds of the participants were already engaged in systems change activities within Wisconsin’s Department of Children and Families, Department of Health Services, Department of Public Instruction, Department of Corrections, along with numerous county and local programs.

Resilience Summit

In September, 2017, 24 parents, youth, and providers gathered together to complement their understanding of how early adversity, toxic stress, and trauma impact the mind and body. The CIPs this Resilience Summit to learn about and educate others on topics related to building resilience within the self, family, and community. Participants came out of the summit with a call to action, committing to:

- “Look for ways my community can encourage resiliency”
- “Incorporate protective factors in my own work and trainings”
- “Sit down and talk to my daughter about what I learned”

Parent and Youth Voice in System Change

CIPs are a valuable resource and are sought after by organizations and governmental agencies to provide expert consultation in many areas, the following serve as an example of their work:

- Staffing workgroups
- Developing and reviewing policies and resources
- Providing presentations
- Sitting on hiring panels
- Supporting other parent and youth leaders

Town Hall Meetings

- CIPs represented parent and youth voice at Kids in Crisis town hall meetings that happened around the state, sponsored by the USA Today Network - Wisconsin. Town hall meetings provided Question Persuade Refer (QPR) suicide prevention trainings.

Seated from left to right: Joe Ziementz, Tina Buhrow, Kenya Bright (DHS staff), Tabitha DeGroot. Standing: Corbi Stephens, Micheal Bostrom, Rob Kaminski, Kayla Sippl (DHS staff), Alison Wolf, Kimberlee Coronado, Bob Fredericks, Joann Stephens (OCMH staff).

Parents and youth learn tools to tip the scale towards resilience.
Wisconsin Children’s Mental Health Collective Impact Partners (CIPs) (page 2)

CIPs Engage Communities in Transformation
As parents and young people engage in Collective Impact, they not only provide consultation to others, but also continue to develop their knowledge, confidence, and leadership with regard to systems’ operations, programs, and resources. Many CIPs additionally enroll in or present at local trainings and conferences in their communities.

Network of Support
CIPs not only receive support from the OCMH, they also support one another.

As members of Collective Impact, CIPs create a network of connections with continuous feedback loop ensuring ongoing quality improvement.

Funding CIPs Work
The CIPs are paid for their consultation time in the form of a stipend and are also reimbursed for travel expenses such as mileage and food. Funding CIPs leadership and participation comes from multiple sources. State agencies (Department of Children and Families & Department of Health Services) and a hospital partner (Children’s Hospital of Wisconsin) have generously contributed to the pool.

In 2017, 32% of the funding came from the Mobilizing Action for Resilient Communities (MARC) grant which ends in December of 2017.

Many CIPs also volunteer their time and expenses, funding about 10% of the total cost (see graph below). Funding for conferences, trainings and presentations, as well as respite and child care are unfunded.

Representing Wisconsin Parents and Youth
The Wisconsin Children’s Mental Health Collective Impact draws expertise from across the state.

Active CIP

Past CIP

“When I arrived at the first [Collective Impact] meeting, I was overwhelmed by the depth (and number) of key contributors were there to participate. Most impressive was the inclusion of parents and teens with lived experience. In all the policy and work groups I’ve participated, there have never been “consumers” involved in the process. [Now,] my own mission is to make participation from families and children a natural and fundamental part of our work, rather than a novelty.”

-Kia LaBracke, Wisconsin Chapter of the Academy of Pediatrics

*“Advocacy Agencies” includes Access to Independence, NAMI Wisconsin, and Wisconsin Family Ties.

**“Collective Impact” includes funding from partner agencies such as the Department of Health Services, Department of Children and Families, and Children’s Hospital of Wisconsin.
Nationally, one in five children has a diagnosable mental health issue with only 10 to 40% accessing treatment. The Access Workgroup aims to create a system that will identify and provide appropriate and quality services to children, as early as possible, before challenges become more complex.

**Raising Awareness of Resources**

One of the biggest barriers preventing families from accessing help is not knowing about available services and supports. A Wisconsin Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs Medical Home Systems Integration Project group worked to address this issue by identifying and integrating children’s mental health services into the Wisconsin First Step (WFS) data base. The access workgroup distributed promotional material throughout child-serving systems. The workgroup is committed to identifying additional resources and promoting the WFS and Wisconsin 2-1-1 (another key resource line in Wisconsin) as ways for families and professionals to connect to needed services.

Example of information provided by WFS

*Numbner of providers of each type of service, by county (2017)*

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**Goal Statement**

Wisconsin’s children, youth, and families have timely access to high quality, trauma-informed, and culturally appropriate mental health services that promote children's social and emotional development.

**Key Activities**

- Promote awareness of existing resources for families and providers.
- Assess service and support gaps.
- Identify ways to increase parent and youth involvement in policy and program development.
- Identify and implement best practices in increasing access to services.

**Access Workgroup Indicators**

The Access Workgroup will track success by using the following measurements:

- Availability of child, family, and school social workers
- Early childhood screening
- Insurance coverage for children

Learn more by visiting [https://children.wi.gov/Pages/Integrate/AccessWorkgroup.aspx](https://children.wi.gov/Pages/Integrate/AccessWorkgroup.aspx)
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Access in Action
Below are a few examples of Wisconsin activities underway to improve access to services and supports:
• School districts are better at identifying children’s needs and connecting them to providers. Recent Wisconsin legislation will make it possible to expand school-based mental health services.
• Mental health providers are supported with learning opportunities including training on Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy, Parent Child Interaction therapy and Child Parent Psychotherapy.
• Students are developing stigma reduction campaigns and peer support groups in their schools.
• Adults across the state are being trained in Youth Mental Health Frist Aid to help adolescents who are experiencing a mental health or addictions challenge.
• The Child Psychiatry Consultation Program is available in areas of the state to assist primary care clinicians in delivering better informed mental health care.

1. Funded by the federal Maternal and Child Health Bureau of the Health Resources and Service Administration.
Children who are impacted by toxic stress or trauma often don’t have the language to describe their complex emotions. Instead, they may have difficulty learning, trusting adults, developing healthy relationships, or they may have unexplained physical symptoms like head and stomachaches. Being curious about what underlies these issues may lead to helpful interventions that could prevent long term negative impacts.

TIC is a framework that highlights the prevalence and impact of adverse childhood experiences (ACEs), toxic stress, and trauma. This information becomes the foundation in understanding how to reshape interpersonal interactions, organizational operations, and community activities.

Key Activities
- Increase awareness of trauma-informed care activities in tribes and counties through mapping initiative.
- Promote trauma-informed care transformation through policy change workshops.

Trauma-Informed Care Action Team Indicators
The TIC Action Team will track their success using the following measurements:
- Percent of children with two or more ACEs
- Spending on mental health and substance use treatment
- Juvenile arrest rate

Trauma-Informed Care Policy and Practice Workshops
The Trauma-Informed Care Action Team (TICAT) facilitates a TIC learning community focused on organizational trauma-informed care transformation. In partnership with Wisconsin’s state agencies’ Area Administration, the TICAT presented four workshops to provide over 300 attendees with practical TIC tips. Topics included the following:
- Consumer Involvement and TIC transformation
- Human Resources from a TIC perspective
- Organizational TIC transformation

Mapping Trauma-Informed Care Activities
The Trauma-informed Care Action Team has been mapping the initiatives and agencies across the state who are undergoing the trauma-informed care transformation. Agencies across Wisconsin completed a survey providing information about their TIC transformation. The map provides contact information so communities or sectors can connect their efforts and learn from each other. The TIC maps and additional data can be found at https://children.wi.gov/Pages/Integrate/TICMap.aspx

Number of TIC initiatives within each county or tribe

Initiatives include the following:
- Child Welfare in the Courts
- Fostering Futures
- Trauma-Sensitive Schools
- Wisconsin Trauma Project:
  - TF-CBT
  - Trauma-Informed Parenting

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Number of Wisconsin agencies engaged in TIC transformation
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Trauma-Informed Care in Action
- Communities: Along with media outreach, TIC champions have sponsored community movie nights featuring Resilience and Paper Tigers. These moving have served as a platform to discuss trauma and resilience in the communities.
- Schools: A process called “Handle with Care” is in place to notify educators that a child has experienced a recent trauma. Educators are not provided details about the event but are given noticed that a child and family may benefit from greater sensitivity and care.
- Organizations: Many social service agencies have integrated questions about a person’s trauma history and subsequent symptoms as part of the assessment process.
- Government: County, tribal and state agencies are implementing TIC changes into their human resource practices, work policies, and trainings.

Children who develop resilience are better able to manage stress and feelings of anxiety. More generally, developing resilience creates a social and emotional foundation for learning, developing relationships, development, and general well-being.

In 2017, workgroup members presented across the state on the importance of developing resilience within a child’s ecological system which includes the child, adults surrounding the child, communities holding the family, and organizations within the community. A takeaway message is the transformative power of a resilience in creating stronger individuals, families, communities, and organizations.

**Key Activities**
- Promote resilience by creating community awareness of skills, experiences, and resources that create resilience in children and families.
- Develop a web-based toolkit with resources including research, video links, and presentation materials.
- Promote organizational resilience to support the workforce (see below).

**Resiliency Workgroup Indicators**
The Resiliency Workgroup will track success by using the following measurements:

- Flourishing behaviors
- Percent of children with an adult mentor
- Percent of adults with positive mental health

**Workgroup Values**
- Experience a sense of belonging & connection through relationships & supports.
- Foster our inner strengths & hopes.
- Nurture positive qualities in self & others.
- Find strength & value in my journey.

**Creating Organizational Resilience**
- Educate leadership on the importance of resilience and have them lead by example.
- Create a safe and supportive work environment.
- Encourage employees to support their well-being.
- Develop policies and practices that empower employees to build resilience.
- Promote organizational resilience through trauma-informed care transformation.

**Honoring cultural differences in the definition and display of resilience is critical. Resilience grows when children access their own and other cultures.**
Resiliency Workgroup (Page 2)

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**Resilience in Action**
- Communities: Parents run peer groups based on the Protective Factors. The protective factors framework provides guidance on attributes of individuals, families and communities that increase the health and well-being of children and families.
- Early Care and Education: Child care providers often build resilience in children through fulfilling more than their basic needs. Through nurturing relationship-based care they give children learning opportunities in safe and responsive environments that support children’s social emotional growth and needs.
- Schools: Teachers communally reviewed a list of all students in their school, identified which students didn’t have a strong connection with any teacher, and made the effort to get to know those students so every child had a connection to an adult at the school.
- Organizations: Individuals and leaders commit to self-care, including taking lunch breaks, holding walking meetings, and checking in with their co-workers.
- Government: County and state agencies changed language on their intake and assessment forms, including questions about resilience. This new, positive framing, allowed agencies to see the strengths in the families they serve.


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The OCMH is tasked with tracking the effectiveness of Wisconsin state agencies’ child and family support and services and as such identified 48 child well-being indicators to measure and track children’s mental, social, and emotional well-being from year-to-year.3

One goal in highlighting the 48 indicators is to promote the understanding that positive and negative influences impact children’s development. Using the image of a scale, the reader can assess how a child is impacted by a balance of internal and external factors as well as positive and negative experiences.

- The scale symbolizes the concept that the more protective, positive experiences will tip the child toward resilience and overall positive outcomes.
- In contrast, more negative experiences, without the balance of resilience factors, tips toward negative outcomes.
- The placement of the scale’s fulcrum represents the child’s internal factors, such as genetics and disposition. The visual metaphor illustrates the theory that the more support children receive, the more hopeful their future.

Research on the long-term impact of adverse childhood experiences (ACEs) and protective factors provides data underlying this story of negative and positive influences. For example, a study seeking to determine the percentage of mental illness attributable to ACEs concluded, “the estimated proportions of poor mental health outcomes attributed to childhood adversity were medium to large for men and women.”4

On the other side of the scale, researchers have begun to examine the role resilience plays in mitigating the negative impact of toxic stress. Initial findings suggest that there are protective factors, such as feeling supported by family, and that these early positive relationships help balance the impact of ACEs on negative adult outcomes.5

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3 For a full review of the indicators, please see the 2016 OCMH annual report.
2017 Wisconsin Child Well-Being Dashboard: The 2017 dashboard contains updated data and highlights state and national trends. National and Wisconsin data are listed in two columns which indicate the value and compares 2017 to 2016 data. Bolded data highlights that the national average is improving. Some indicators have no trend arrow which indicates that the year-to-year differences were not statistically significant (p<0.05). The dashboard is a quick reference tool illustrating trends such as: 1) Wisconsin and the nation are moving in the right direction in increasing number of children in four-year-old kindergarten, 2) Wisconsin is seeing an unfortunate downward trend in the number of youth receiving treatment for depression, while on average children across the nation are more likely to get treatment, or 3) Wisconsin has fewer children in foster care, now with only 35.8 placements per 10,000 children.

Considerations: Much of the data did not change significantly from one year to the next. In some instances this may be the result of a small survey sample size or may reflect the slow process of change despite dedicated efforts.

Key Points: Wisconsin's positive trends include increased provider availability and a reduction in negative outcomes, such as youth arrests and teen births. Wisconsin outperformed the U.S. in a decreased trend in foster care placement. Wisconsin's youth homelessness is increasing while the U.S. as a whole reports a drop in youth homelessness.
Resilience, Risk, and Outcomes: How Wisconsin Stacks Up

Research on child development details how genes and the environment interact as children grow into adulthood. Individuals have different genetic starting points and experience different positive factors, such as resilience-building supports, and negative factors, such as Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs). The following indicators represent some of these factors, as well as interventions and potential outcomes.

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#### INTerventions
- **Availability of Child, Family, School Social Workers (’16)** | 94 per 100,000 | ▲ | 60 per 100,000 |
- **Availability of Psychiatrists (’16)** | 7.7 per 100,000 | ▲ | 6.8 per 100,000 |
- **Availability of Psychologists (’16)** | 33.9 per 100,000 | ▲ | 37.5 per 100,000 |
- **Insurance Coverage (Youth) (’16)** | 95.0% | | 95.0% |
- **Mental Health Hospitalizations (’13)¥** | 199 per 100,000 | | 223 per 100,000 |
- **Receive Treatment for Depression (’11-’15)¥** | 38.9% | ▲ | 33.3% |
- **Spending on Mental Health/Substance Use Treatment (’15/’16)** | | | $705 per resident |
#### POSITIVE OUTCOMES
- **Employment Rate (Young Adults) (’16)** | 49.4% | | 63.3% |
- **Flourishing Behaviors (Adolescents) (’16)¥** | 40.4% | | 39.9% |
- **Flourishing Behaviors (Children) (’16)¥** | 64.6% | | 67.0% |
- **High School Graduation Rate (’14/’15)** | 83.2% | ▲ | 88.4% |
- **Home Ownership (Adults) (’16)** | 70.0% | | 71.0% |
- **Positive Mental Health (Adults) (’16)** | 82.6% | | 83.3% |
- **Young Adults with Postsecondary Education (’16)** | 43.9% | ▼ | 47.7% |
#### NEGATIVE OUTCOMES
- **Alcohol Use (Youth) (US:’15/WI:’17)** | 32.8% | | 30.4% |
- **Foster Care Placements (’15)** | 35.9 per 10,000 | ▼ | 35.8 per 10,000 |
- **General Poor Mental Health (Youth) (US:’15/WI:’17)** | 29.9% | | 27.0% |
- **Homelessness (Youth) (’14/’15)** | 15.7 per 1,000 | ▲ | 21.1 per 1,000 |
- **Illegal Drug Use (Youth) (’13/’14)¥** | 9.2% | | 9.3% |
- **Juvenile Arrests (’16)¥** | 10 per 1,000 | | 32.5 per 1,000 |
- **Mental Illness (Youth) (’14/’15)** | 20.9% | ▼ | 22.4% |
- **School Suspensions & Expulsions (’16)** | | | 6.2% |
- **Suicide Rate (Youth) (’11 to ’15)** | 5.6 per 100,000 | ▼ | 7.5 per 100,000 |
- **Teen Birth Rate (’15)** | 22.3 per 1,000 | ▲ | 16.2 per 1,000 |

¥ No update available.
Better(▲)/worse(▼) designation indicates statistically significant difference from previous year (p < 0.05).
Bolded metric represents a statistically better value compared to US or WI.

Wisconsin aims to tip the scale towards positive outcomes. To learn more about each of these 48 Child Well-Being Indicators, please visit children.wi.gov/Pages/Improve/Indicators.aspx
Fulfilling the OCMH requirement to monitor the performance of child and family serving programs requires the collection and analysis of service outcome data that is largely unavailable. The following fact sheets, in combination with the Wisconsin Child-Well Being Indicator dashboard, represent proxies for program outcomes; that is, the OCMH believes that if family service policies and programs are effective and aligned across service systems, data related to issues such as psychiatric hospitalizations, youth suicide, school engagement, child welfare, and youth justice will show improvement.

OCMH Fact Sheets

The fact sheets beginning on page 37 are intended to spur continued conversations about how children and families can best be served by Wisconsin’s policies and programs; the sheets reflect only some of the complexities of the issues, the population served, or the services provided.

List of Fact Sheets

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- Youth Suicide and Self Harm

By limiting the fact sheets to one page, characteristics of the representative population are limited and in aggregate. The following information provides a brief description of some of the additional information that should be considered while reviewing the fact sheets.

Data Sources: The data for this report largely comes from the following sources: Youth Risk Behavior Survey⁶ and the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System;⁷ the National Survey of Drug Use and

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⁶ Administered through the Wisconsin DPI and supported by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

⁷ The National Survey of Drug Use and
National surveys and datasets allow comparisons between states and to the nation as a whole, but are based on samples, not the whole population. Statistical analysis allows for comparing values across time or across geographies, though sometimes the sample sizes are too small to say definitively if the Wisconsin value is different from the national value.

The *Youth Risk Behavior Survey* (YRBS) is issued to high school students across the country every two years and includes questions related to a variety of topics such as drug usage, nutrition, physical activity, and mental health. The YRBS reaches only youth who attend school which means that the remaining youth are not surveyed, such as the 3% of kids who are homeschooled.

The *Wisconsin Behavioral Risk Factor Survey* asks adult residents (18 and over) about many behaviors, including alcohol, drugs, mental health, and general health questions. Residents from every U.S. state are surveyed yearly.

**Medicaid** is a joint federal and state program that provides health coverage to children, pregnant women, parents, seniors, and individuals with disabilities. Medicaid serves about half of Wisconsin’s children and is the largest payer of children’s mental health services. Medicaid claims data is currently the best resource available for identifying Medicaid spending, but there are limitations including the following:

- **Time lag**: Providers have 365 days to submit claims, so the earliest data available for analysis is for services provided in 2015. These claims do not reflect changes that have happened in the past two years such as increased mental health services in the schools.
- **Unclear service designation**: Sometimes it is not possible to identify the provider type and/or the service. As an example, claims data from school services does not always identify service type which may range from assessment to treatment.
- **Incomplete data**: Medicaid claims data do not provide information about children who need but are not receiving mental health services, nor does it represent children who receive services funded outside of Medicaid such as those provided by private insurance providers.

**More on Medicaid**: In order to participate in Medicaid, individuals must fall into federally defined categories such as having an income below the poverty level. Specifically analyzing Medicaid data leads to a focus on children living in poverty, which is only a subset of the general population. Poverty can impede children’s learning and contribute to social, emotional, and behavioral problems – the greatest risk being to young children and/or children who experience deep and persistent
poverty. More recently, research has identified that poverty may impact a child’s developing biology. In one study, researchers found that parts of the brain related to academic performance were smaller for those children raised in very poor families. In another study, child poverty rates were related to both adolescent emotional well-being and educational achievement across both the U.S. and other developed countries.

**Geographic Differences:** In general, Wisconsin’s urban and rural areas provide different levels of mental health support and services. Differences also exist on smaller scales within counties, cities, towns, and communities. Some county-level data differences are highlighted, though most are not.

**Absence of Tribal Data:** Tribes are sovereign nations and as such do not have local and state public health reporting requirements. Because census data does not consistently include information related to tribal members, researchers do not know how many individuals of native descent live in Wisconsin and thus cannot calculate the percent of tribal members who use particular services.

Multi-year (2011-2014) analysis of Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance Survey data are often pooled together with results indicating higher lifetime depression for Native Americans versus all other racial groups. Correspondingly, the Indian Health Suicide Surveillance data indicates that suicide rates for Native youth is triple that of the U.S. rates.

The OCMH’s future goal is to provide more Native youth data highlighting both the challenges and strengths within tribal communities. The OCMH will invite epidemiologists from the Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Epidemiological Center to join the OCMH Research Advisory Council as one small step in meeting this goal.

**Population-Based Data is not Disaggregated by Sexual Identity, Race, Ethnicity, or Disability:** The data represented in the fact sheets are in aggregate, meaning the differences among various populations are incorporated into the whole. As a result, the experience among sub-populations is not well represented. It should also be noted that these smaller populations often represent the children and families who would most benefit from improved policies, aligned systems, and better programs.

- **Sexual Identity:** National and statewide data indicate that school-age youth identifying as a sexual minority are two or three times more likely to be depressed, and consider, plan, or attempt suicide. These data also show that gay, lesbian, or bisexual youth are twice as likely to feel unsafe at school and twice as likely to be electronically bullied.
- **Race and Ethnicity:** Some evidence indicates that Black and Hispanic youth are less likely to

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receive mental health services, even among youth with high needs. While the prevalence of psychiatric conditions is considered similar across racial and ethnic groups, Black and Hispanic children receive significantly less behavioral health care than White children. In some cases, children of color who have mental health issues are misdirected into the juvenile justices system.

By 2050, Hispanic school-aged youth in the U.S. are projected to outnumber non-Hispanic White peers. Currently, Hispanic youth represent the largest U.S. ethnic minority group and the largest group with unmet needs for mental health services. For example, a national study found that Hispanic children had 49% fewer visits to psychiatrists and 58% fewer visits to any mental health professional than white children.

- Disability: Some data (e.g. suspensions and expulsions) is disaggregated by disability but most is not. Historically, reporting on child abuse or neglect of children with disabilities has been under represented. As required by 2015 Wisconsin ACT 365, the Wisconsin Department of Children and Families reviewed data related to children with disabilities in the child welfare system. The data showed that children with disabilities face more maltreatment than children without disabilities, representing 27% of children with substantiated abuse, and 37% of children in out-of-home care.

Lack of Strength-Based Data: Just as the lack of disaggregated data hides the unique struggles of certain groups, it also can mask the specific strengths of these communities and the gains that have been made. Positive psychology is the study of what is “right” about people—their assets and strengths. By focusing on positive attributes, individuals, communities, and societies shift to a “thriving” perspective which has been found to bolster psychological resilience and promote positive mental health. Resilience Theory, a researcher’s parallel to positive psychology, brings a new focus on positive factors in youths’ lives. As this approach takes hold, more data on youth strengths and positive resources will become available, leading to increased understanding of the processes by which youth, despite experiencing hardship, are able to achieve.

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FACT SHEET: Child Maltreatment and Out-of-Home Care

The Wisconsin Child Welfare System aims to keep children safe, and to support families to provide safe, permanent, and nurturing homes for their children. Wisconsin does this by safely keeping children in their own home, family, tribe, and community whenever possible. When this is not possible, children are placed in safe, stable, and temporary homes to nurture and support children’s development, with the goal of transitioning back to the family, or another permanent home. The system strives to engage with children, youth, and families to expand healthy connections and supports in their community and tribes and bolster resiliency in families to help them thrive.

Key Findings

- In Wisconsin, the most common form of maltreatment is neglect.
- The number of children in out-of-home care increased steadily from 2012 to 2015, reaching its highest point in the last 10 years.
- Caregiver substance abuse is increasingly being identified as a reason for placement.
- The number of youth aging out of OHC in Wisconsin has declined since 2011.

Maltreatment

Children can be found to be victims of four categories of maltreatment: neglect, sexual abuse, physical abuse, or emotional abuse.

Out-of-Home Care (OHC)

Statewide, 11,640 children were placed in OHC in 2015, an 8% increase from the ten-year-low in 2012. The Wisconsin OHC rate was 3.9 per 1,000 children in 2015 (up from 3.5 in 2011), which is similar to the U.S. rate.

Placement Setting

When children are placed in OHC, placements with relatives are sought whenever possible. In Wisconsin, one out of three children in OHC are placed with a relative. In 2015, rates of placement with a relative were similar across all racial/ethnic groups. The percentage of children identified as Black or Hispanic who were placed with relatives increased 25% between 2012 and 2015.

While there are times when group care is necessary to ensure a child’s safety, most children and youth in OHC are best served in a home setting.

In 2015, a higher percentage of American Indian/Alaskan Native children were placed in home settings than all other racial groups, while Black children had the highest percentage of congregate care placements.
Parental Substance Use

It is difficult to provide precise statistics on the number of families in child welfare affected by parental substance use or dependency, but two measures used are removal reason (captured at time of placement) and the level of parental need (evaluated throughout the child’s OHC placement).

In 2016, caretaker drug use was listed as a removal reason for 25% of Wisconsin children, up from 10% in 2009. Children age 4 and under were the most likely to have this as a removal reason, but the percentage of those age 5-10 has increased, and in 2015 was nearly equal to that of the youngest children.WISE Data from WI Department of Children and Families Out of Home Care Reports, years 2009-2016. Personal communication from 10/27/2017.

As of October 1, 2017, substance use and mental health were each listed as a parental need for 2 out of 3 OHC cases statewide, with substance use identified as a significant need in 21% of all cases. In both the western and northern regions, substance use was listed as a significant parental need nearly three times more often than mental health.

Permanence

The median length of time in OHC per removal was 343 days, slightly lower than the national average of 378 days. Older children have longer stays (median 632 days), as do Black children (median 385 days) compared to children of any other racial group. In Wisconsin, 64% of children who exit OHC are reunified with their parent(s), compared to 51% nationally.

Re-Entry

The rate at which children re-enter OHC within 12 months has been falling since 2008. One out of 10 children who were discharged from OHC statewide re-entered care within the next 12 months, down from 1 in 7. The rate has fallen more sharply for Milwaukee county to 1 out of 16 re-entering care.

Wisconsin rate of re-entry into OHC by year

Aging Out

When youth exit the foster care system without achieving permanence (either through reunification, guardianship, or adoption), they are said to have “aged out.” These youth often face more significant struggles than their peers, including higher rates of incarceration, pregnancy, economic hardship, and substance dependency and lower educational attainment. The number of youth aging out of OHC in Wisconsin has declined by 38% since 2011 (462 in 2011 to 285 in 2017).

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FACT SHEET: Children’s Demographics and Well-Being

Population (2016)

Total Wisconsin population: 5,774,977
- Black residents make up 6.8% of the total population.
- Hispanic population in Wisconsin is 387,379, about 6.7% of the total.
- White residents make up 82.5% of the population.

Diversity within Wisconsin’s child population (2016)

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The Wisconsin population is changing, with an increase in the percent of children in Wisconsin who are Asian and Hispanic.

Child population (0-18) was 1,290,021, about 22% of the general population in 2016.
- Black children make up 10.1% of the child population.
- Hispanic children make up 11.6%.
- White children make up 73.2% of the Wisconsin child population.

Wisconsin is 12th Overall in National Health Rankings (Kids Count)
Contributing Factors
- Strong economic well-being, with fewer parents lacking employment, and fewer children in poverty.
- High marks in education, such as more young children in school, better math proficiency, and more students graduating high school on time.

Wisconsin ranks 42nd in the nation in youth mental health (Mental Health America)
Contributing Factors
- High depression rates
- Low treatment for youth with mental illness

Of note: Wisconsin ranks ranked 11th for adult mental health.

Wisconsin ranks 15th in the nation in best overall health for women and children (American Health Ranking)
Contributing Factors
- High rate of insured children.
- Low food insecurity.
- Excellent health care available for women, particularly pregnant women.

Of note: Wisconsin ranks ranked 21st for infants’ health and 15th for children’s health.

Geography

The majority of the children live in the Southeast region (38%), and 31% live in rural counties with fewer than 20,000 people.

Wisconsin county population, ages <18 (2015)

- Changes in county child population from 2011 to 2015.
- Changes over 10% up or down are displayed.

Wisconsin’s population by age and gender (2015)

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Family Stability
- The median household income in Wisconsin in 2016 was $59,817, comparable to national and Midwest medians.
- One of five of Wisconsin’s children lived in of poverty.
- In 2016, 73% of children ages 6-12 have all parents working outside the home.

Community and Connection
- 85.1% of Wisconsin’s children had stable housing, e.g., lived in the same house as one year ago.
- More Wisconsin children (48.6%) participated in community service than the national average (43.1%).

Health

Health Care
- 83% children visited a doctor for a check-up in 2015.
- Most children (91%) received family-centered care.

Insurance
- Over 95% of Wisconsin children were covered by insurance in 2016.
- 45% of children ages 0-18 were covered by Medicaid throughout 2015.
- Wisconsin spends the least amount of money per child on Medicaid, at $1,656/child/year compared to the Midwest. The average in the US is $2,492/child/year.

Percent of Wisconsin children by insurance type (2016)

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Mental Health
- 21% of Wisconsin children have any mental health issue (right).

Physical Health
- 1 in 3 youth ages 10-17 are overweight or obese.
- Kindergarten through 6th grade get a minimum of 3 physical activity classes per week in school.
- 59% of Wisconsin’s children ages 6-17 report 60+ minutes of exercise, 4+ days/week.

Most Wisconsin children are in excellent health

Similar to national average

Education

Children
- In 2015/16 64% of four-year olds attended kindergarten.
- 59% of high schoolers enrolled in postsecondary education in 2015/16.
- 13,300 students were Identified with Emotional/Behavioral disturbance for an Individualized Education Program (IEP), 1.5% of all enrolled students and 11% of students with disabilities.

Adults
- 91% of Wisconsin adults over 25, on average, had a high school degree (2011-2015).
- 40% of adults have an associates, bachelor or higher degree.
**Medicaid.** In Wisconsin, the Medicaid program is more commonly known as BadgerCare or Title 19. BadgerCare Plus refers to the part of Wisconsin's Medicaid program which insures children, children in foster care, children receiving Social Security Income (SSI), and low-income or disabled adults. Within the OCMH fact sheets, we use the term Medicaid.

**Children, Medicaid, and Mental Health Services (2015)**

- Medicaid covers approximately half of Wisconsin's 1.3 million children; the remaining children are covered by private (employer-sponsored) insurance, leaving 5% of Wisconsin's children uninsured.  
- 9% (54,770) of children on Medicaid (around 600,000 throughout 2015) received Medicaid-funded mental health services (therapy, psychiatric hospitalizations, or other treatments); this represents 4% of the Wisconsin child population.  
- An estimated 21% of Wisconsin's children have any mental illness. Some children receive mental health services through other public systems or through private insurance (~4% of Wisconsin children), but there still remains a treatment gap of about 34% of children.  
- Children with mental/behavioral issues on average receive approximately the same rates of treatment whether covered by Medicaid or private insurance (52.9% vs. 52.6%).  
- Racial/ethnic data is missing for about 20% of the Wisconsin children on Medicaid, but of those with a race/ethnicity listed, 64% are white, 17% Black, 15% Hispanic, 4% Asian, Native American, or Alaskan.  
- 55% of youth recipients of mental health services are male and 45% are female. Males tend to receive most services earlier (between 8 and 11 years old) while females receive the majority of services in adolescence (between 13 and 17 years old).

**Medicaid Spending**

Medicaid services are paid 40% by the state, and 60% by federal dollars. In 2015, $94 million was spent on children’s Medicaid mental health services in Wisconsin.

Total spending on children’s mental health in 2014 was:

- 7% of the $1B spent on children
- 1% of the 7.6B spent on Medicaid overall

**Cost per Child**

Medicaid payed an average of $318 per child in 2015 for mental health services, up 14% from 2014.

- The amount per child varied by county ranging from under $100 to $700 per child in a single year.
- Amount per child varied by age, with Medicaid paying more for older children (below).

**Key Findings**

- Only 1% of the Medicaid budget is spent on children’s mental health services.
- 10% of children on Medicaid received Medicaid-funded mental health services, representing 4% of Wisconsin's children.
- There are many Medicaid funded children’s mental health services. Ideally, children and families would receive community based, lower cost services prior to engaging in hospitalizations and other high-intensity, high-cost services.
Children’s Medicaid Funded Mental Health Services

Medicaid covers a variety of mental health services. The continuum ranges from outpatient therapy, to intermediate services such as crisis stabilization, and finally hospitalizations for acute care. Focusing on outpatient and in-home services, with more intermediate services as needed, may support keeping children in their home and prevent psychiatric hospitalizations and residential care.

### Outpatient and In-Home Therapy
- 47,776 children
- $333 per child
- $45 to $150 per visit

Provided by psychiatrists, counselors, therapists, or social workers

### Intermediate Services
- 13,614 children
- $3,343 per child
- Between $71 and $108 per day

Crisis services in or out of a hospital setting (daytime only) and comprehensive supports

### Psychiatric Hospitalizations
- 3,030 children
- $7,209 per child
- $786 per day
- $4,600 per visit

Voluntary or involuntary hospitalizations for children with acute needs

### Parent and Youth Voice
Parents are grateful for access to Medicaid services that are not income-based, allowing their children to receive services not provided by private health insurance such as psychosocial rehabilitative services.

Parents report that Medicaid funds a wider range of community-based services than does private insurance.

By changing mental health prior authorization regulations, families report that Wisconsin Medicaid administrators facilitated easier, more timely access to services.

### References

Medicaid claims spending [Data file]. Received 3/1/2017 from the Division of Medicaid Services. “Mental health services” are classified as having a mental health procedure code and a mental health diagnosis in the first or second diagnosis line on the claim. Comprehensive Community Services and Crisis Intervention are defined only by procedure code.


IBID. Per child and per visit costs reflect the median paid in 2015. Per day costs reflects the total number of days utilized divided by the total cost.


Medicaid Reimbursed Crisis Intervention Services
Most of Wisconsin’s 72 counties are certified under DHS 34 to provide crisis intervention. These services are available 24/7 to help resolve mental health and/or alcohol/drug crises. Services include a 24/7 telephone crisis line; 8-hour/5-day per week walk-in services; and 8-hour/7-day per week mobile crisis services to specific locations during specified times.

Wisconsin certified crisis services must comply to the standards in DHS 34, Wis. Admin. Code. Crisis Intervention Services including the following:
- Initial contact and determination of need by qualified mental health personnel,
- Initial mental health assessment and response planning,
- Referral and follow-up services such as therapy or day treatment,
- Optional crisis stabilization services.

Wisconsin’s 2017/19 budget includes funding to expand youth crisis stabilization service capacity by creating a treatment facility which will be designed to prevent or de-escalate a young person’s mental health crisis.

Crisis Intervention by Age and Gender
Most crisis intervention is provided to young people between 15 and 17 years of age, though 10-14 year olds are a close second.

Number of children on Medicaid using Crisis Intervention Services in 2015 by age group and gender

Key Findings
- Wisconsin has more youth using crisis intervention services each year, with 25% more children in 2015 than in 2011.
- Youth ages 15 to 17 are most likely to use crisis services.
- The southeast region provides crisis services at a rate twice as high as the rest of the state.
- The southern region provides more crisis services per child.
Regional Differences in Crisis Intervention Services

The southeastern region, encompassing Milwaukee and neighboring counties, has the highest rate of crisis intervention, with 93 per 10,000 children in the county receiving services (below).

Across Wisconsin, 44 per 10,000 children <18 receive crisis intervention under Medicaid, but rates vary by region.

Parent and Youth Voice
Families prefer when crisis intervention services are provided in the home, school, or community vs. a clinic or emergency room.

Families appreciate that crisis intervention services often provide a bridge to county and state supports through a crisis intervention plan.

In some communities, follow up to the crisis plan would be improved by adding “warm handoffs,” that is, making an introduction to a provider instead of sending a family home with a list of names and phone numbers.

Children’s Emergency Detention and Crisis Stabilization Workgroup
In 2014, Wisconsin state agencies initiated a workgroup to reduce the high rates of emergency detention. The group has grown over the years and now includes a Collective Impact Parent, more state agencies, providers, and county staff. Three sub-workgroups work on specific topics:
1. Best practices in supporting children in crisis,
2. Crisis stabilization bed availability,
3. County staff training requirements, structure, and delivery.

References

FACT SHEET: Mental Health Provider Availability

Mental Health Provider Availability for Adults and Children

By 2025, the United States will face a 20% mental health provider shortage including social workers, therapists, and psychiatrists. Wisconsin’s rural communities are projected to experience the biggest impact.

Geographic Impact

Rural Wisconsin has almost half as many mental health providers as urban Wisconsin.

Insurance Coverage:

In addition to geography, insurance type impacts access to providers. 71% of providers in 2015 accepted Medicaid (exclusively, or along with commercial insurance) with varying availability across regions.

Provider Type

Wisconsin residents primarily see a psychologist or therapist, psychiatrist, or a primary care provider (see bar graph below). Individuals may see more than one provider.

Mental Health Providers and Medicaid

In Wisconsin in 2014:

- 30% of psychologists signed up to receive Medicaid clients, and 56% saw Medicaid clients
- 73% of psychiatrists signed up to receive Medicaid clients and 81% saw Medicaid clients

Key Findings

- Rural Wisconsin has an overall provider shortage which includes mental health providers.
- Primary care physicians play a significant role in mental health provision.
- Wisconsin’s northern region has the most providers who accept Medicaid compared to the western region where fewer providers accept Medicaid.
- Most psychiatrists in Wisconsin register for and provide services to Medicaid clients.
1. Data is not available to identify providers specifically for children in most databases.
Counseling and Supports

Medicaid pays for many services delivered by community providers in the school setting.7

In the 2015/16 school year, Medicaid changed regulations related to mental health clinics and independent clinicians providing outpatient mental health services in schools resulting in enhanced school/mental health clinic collaborations.

Three times as many students were served by community providers integrated into schools in 2015 compared to two years earlier.

Key Findings

- School counselors, school nurses and school social workers are underrepresented in Wisconsin schools.
- Statewide school-based mental health services are not tracked.
- Three times as many students were served by community providers integrated into schools in 2015 compared to two years earlier.
- School-based mental health makes up a small percentage (<5%) of outpatient therapy and many counties have no schools offering these services (see Fact Sheet: Outpatient Mental Health Service Data for Children on Medicaid).
Mental Health Services in Schools

Medicaid-Funded School-Based Services

Medicaid pays for assessment and counseling specifically for children with Individualized Education Plan (IEPs). Services are jointly paid for by federal Medicaid (60%) with the school or district paying the state Medicaid portion (40%), unlike other services where state funds are used. Wisconsin pays $340,000 on average per year for these school-based services, a figure that has decreased since 2012. A few school districts regularly use this funding mechanism, but most do not. The number of children receiving Medicaid reimbursed IEP services decreased from 2012 to 2015. Additional training for staff and school leadership could increase schools’ ability to use these funds to increase access to services.

★ Good News! School based mental health received $6 million for school mental health initiatives funding in the 2018-2019 Wisconsin budget. ★

School Social Workers and Children’s Mental Health

A 2016 Wisconsin survey of 555 school social workers showed:

• School social workers identify mental health as their top responsibility.
• 27% have specialties in mental health or clinical practice.
• Over half of school social workers spend <30% of their time on special education, other time is spent addressing students’ victimization, attendance issues, family challenges, juvenile justice, etc.
• Social workers are distributed across all grades and many report working at multiple grade levels (see below).

Family and Youth Voice

While some parents and caregivers appreciate the convenience of mental health services in schools, others worry that school-based services will prevent them from being involved in planning and treatment.

Some parents express frustration knowing that some schools offer mental health services while their children’s schools do not.

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Opioid Use in the United States\(^7\) (2015)
- 60% of the 55,000 drug overdoses in the U.S. were opioid-related.
- 10.4 per 100,000 persons in the U.S. died of opioid-related drug overdoses. The death rate was higher in males, individuals between 25-34, and non-Hispanic White people.
- In 2015, 5% of Americans over 12 years old misused opioids, with highest misuse among 21-25 year olds at 9.4%. Opioid misuse dropped in 2016 with 4.4% of the total population using, and 7.6% of 21-25 year olds.

Opioid Use in Wisconsin
- Rates and dosage of opioid prescriptions have decreased from 2014 to 2016. In 2016, Wisconsin’s prescribing rate (62.2 prescriptions per 100 people) was lower than the national average (62.6/100 people) though rates of opioid prescriptions differ by county.\(^9\)
- Opioid-related hospitalizations have increased over 75% from 0.9 per 1,000 (2005) to 1.6 per 1,000 (2014).\(^10\)
- The rate of opioid-related deaths increased over 60% between 2009 and 2016 to 18 per 100,000 (below). This reflects an increase of over 100% from 2008-2016, doubling the number of opioid deaths from 396 to 827.\(^11\)
- The Wisconsin opioid death rate was highest among black people in 2012-2016.\(^12\)

Methamphetamine (Meth) Use
- Meth use has well-documented negative effects on families and communities. Communities with high usage see increased violence, domestic abuse, and social isolation. Communities also see a high economic burden due to increased health care costs and lost wages.\(^4\)
- Nationally, in 2016, 69,000 12-17 year olds (<1%) and 14,464,000 adults over 18 (6%) had ever used meth.\(^5\)
- Wisconsin meth arrests, charges, and seizures have tripled since 2011, with greatest increases occurring in rural areas (see map).\(^6\)

Drug Use Among Children and Youth in the United States
- Opioids are the leading cause of teenage drug deaths.\(^14\)
- Drug overdoses from all drugs among adolescents 15-19 decreased from 2007-2014, but increased in 2015.\(^15\)
- Prescriptions for opioids decreased in 2014-2016 from 2.6 prescriptions per 100 people to 2/100 for youth under 14, as well as for 15-19 year olds, from 12.8 to 11.6/100.\(^16\)
- Meth use decreased from 9% to 3% of youth from 1999 to 2015. Wisconsin data indicates that the state follows this national trend, with youth meth use dropping by 50%. In Milwaukee, however, meth use doubled to 6.6% from 2005-2013.\(^17\)
Impact on Drug Misuse on Children and Families
- In 2016, 9% of U.S. children lived with someone with an alcohol or drug problem. Those children typically had co-occurring ACEs (91%).
- Children of caregivers who use and/or make meth are at risk for physical and sexual abuse, neglect, fires and explosions, medical problems, and exposure to hazardous lifestyles.
- Children of mothers who had a substance use disorders have higher levels of externalizing problems, depression, and school difficulties.
- Babies born dependent on addictive drugs may lower the parent’s confidence and satisfaction resulting in challenges with bonding and attachment.

Impact of Opioids on Infants
- Between 2009 and 2014, Wisconsin maternal opioid use has tripled resulting in an increase in babies born with Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome (NAS).
- Babies born to mothers using opioids have a 50% risk of being born with NAS, and an increased likelihood of other negative outcomes, including premature birth, poor fetal growth, or death.
- Opioid treatment programs increase positive outcomes for pregnant women and their children.

Wisconsin Out-of-Home Care
- The number of children removed from their homes increased steadily from 2012 to 2017, reaching a ten year high in October 2017 with 7,826 children in placements on October 1. The growth in out-of-home care placements has been almost entirely in non-Milwaukee counties.
- Over the past seven years, the number of children removed from their home and placed in an out-of-home care setting due to parent/caregiver drug abuse has more than doubled from 479 in 2009 to 1,252 in 2016. It is likely that this data under-represents the actual number.

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Children Served in Outpatient Settings

The number of children using Medicaid outpatient mental health services has increased since 2012. Medicaid outpatient services reached 7.3% of Wisconsin’s Medicaid population under 18 (44,123, 7% increase from 2013) and 7.9% of children on Medicaid in 2015 (47,776, 8% increase from 2014). Individual children are also receiving more outpatient sessions. In 2012, 50% of children received more than four outpatient visits, and in 2015, this increased to 60% of children receiving four or more visits.

Dollars Spent on Outpatient Mental Health

The cost to Medicaid for children’s outpatient mental health services has been increasing since 2012. In 2014, Wisconsin spent $18.9M ($1.45 per child under 18 in Wisconsin); this increased 20% to $22.8M ($1.76) in 2015.

Number of Outpatient Sessions

In 2015, the number of sessions varied from two to nine across the state. On average, almost 20% of youth received only one outpatient session, though 50% received five or more.

On average, girls received more sessions than boys. Hispanic, black, and other minority youth had approximately 20% fewer visits than white children in 2015.

Key Findings

- Medicaid is the largest payer of children’s mental health services in Wisconsin.
- Children’s mental health outpatient services have increased in number of children served, number of sessions provided, and total amount spent since 2012.
- Children in Wisconsin’s north and northwest receive, on average, more therapy visits.

Provider Type

In 2015, most Wisconsin children receiving Medicaid mental health services saw a therapist (e.g., licensed clinical social worker, professional counselor, marriage and family therapist). Approximately 20% of children saw a psychiatrist which is down from 35% of children in 2012.

The number of psychologists who provided outpatient mental health services to Medicaid covered children in Wisconsin increased from 446 in 2012 to 514 in 2015, as did the number of psychotherapists (1,603 to 1,988). The number of psychiatrists has decreased slightly (325 to 308 in 2015). The estimated number of psychiatrists practicing in the state (Medicaid and non-Medicaid) has fluctuated over the last 10 years with around 7 per 100,000 WI residents. The number of psychologists has also fluctuated, with an average of 40 per 10,000 residents.
**Service Differences by County**

Lightest purple represents four or fewer child sessions, while darkest purple represents seven or more sessions.

Counties in the north and northwest provide more sessions per child on average.

Despite having fewer providers in the northern region, children receive comparable or higher numbers of sessions, likely due to the smaller number of total children served.

**Spending Differences by County**

Counties that spend more per child on psychiatric hospitalizations, typically spend more per child on outpatient services. However, some counties are in the higher quartiles for outpatient spending but lower quartiles for inpatient spending.

**Parent and Youth Voice**

Outpatient mental health therapy is typically provided in a clinic and transportation can be a barrier. Alternative locations such as treatment in a child’s home or school may support a family’s ability to receive services and supports.

Prior Authorization regulations impeded families’ ability to receive timely services, but these regulations recently changed eliminating what many described as a service barrier.

Outpatient mental health therapy is often the first and only treatment option, but it may not be the most effective service for all children, compared to alternative therapies such as equine assisted therapy, or more intensive services such as day treatment.
Psychotropic Medication and Prescribing Patterns

Psychotropic medications (e.g., stimulants, antidepressants, and antipsychotics) are used to treat mental health issues. In 2016, 7.8% of Wisconsin youth on Medicaid received psychotropics compared to 9.9% of youth on Medicaid nationally.\(^1\,\^2\)

Wisconsin saw an almost 40% reduction from 2013 to 2016 of antipsychotic youth prescriptions following the 2012 dissemination of a Wisconsin Department of Health Services informational memo to Medicaid prescribers regarding youth antipsychotic prescribing guidelines.\(^2\) Following the 2013 dissemination of an informational memo regarding youth stimulant prescribing guidelines, there was a 50% reduction in the number of children who received prescriptions that exceeded the maximum daily dose threshold.\(^3\)

When youth are prescribed psychotropics, the recommended course of treatment is concurrent psychotherapy. However, in 2016, only 36% of Wisconsin youth on Medicaid with psychotropic prescriptions received psychotherapy;\(^2\) this percentage has remained steady from 2013-16. Older youth (ages 12-18) are more likely to concurrently receive therapy and medication, compared to children under 12 (40% vs 32%).\(^2\)

### Wisconsin Youth and Drug Class\(^2\)

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#### Gender
- Wisconsin males under 21 are more likely to receive any psychotropics (8.8% versus 6.9% of females).
- Wisconsin females are almost twice as likely as males to be prescribed antidepressants (51.4% vs 31.6% of males).
- Wisconsin males are more likely to be prescribed stimulants (47.8% vs 26.5% of females).

#### Age
- Prescriptions of psychotropics in children under 14 is decreasing due to decreasing prescription rates of stimulants.
- Youth between 15 and 18 are receiving more psychotropics due to increasing prescription rates of antidepressants.

### Key Findings
- Prescriptions of antipsychotics and stimulants for children on Medicaid decreased from 2013 to 2016.
- Psychotropic prescriptions for children under age 11 decreased about 30%.
- Children under the age of 12 are less likely to receive concurrent psychotherapy and medications than youth from 12-18 years of age (32% vs 40% older youth).
- 39% of Wisconsin youth on Medicaid receive more than one psychotropic medication.
Polypharmacy is defined as filling a prescription that overlaps three months with another prescription. Most children on Medicaid in Wisconsin receive only one psychotropic medication. In 2016, of the 39% of youth who received more than one medication, half received two psychotropics.²

Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD)
Wisconsin children are prescribed medication to treat ADHD more than the national average (81% vs 74% national).⁴ Prescribers are advised to evaluate youth with ADHD symptoms for other issues such as co-existing mental health issues, trauma history, and overwhelming stress. According to one small study, Wisconsin prescribers inconsistently used ADHD symptom checklists.³ Because trauma symptoms are often indistinguishable from ADHD symptoms, encouraging prescribers use of a trauma symptom screen would assist in formulating the best course of treatment.

Parent and Youth Voice⁵
With a thorough knowledge of a child’s history, medication can help support the child at home and school, particularly along with therapy. Having the entire care team on the same page is critical for the success of a child and family, and can be particularly important when planning and prescribing medication. One youth was on fourteen different drugs from seven different prescribers at one time. Lack of coordinated care, along with the interaction from multiple public systems such as foster care and juvenile justice, can lead to provider and consumer confusion around medications.

It can seem to parents like schools and providers see medication as the first-line or only method to reduce behavioral issues. This can influence families to seek psychotropic medications when other treatments and supports might be less restrictive and more effective in the long-term.

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Resilience
Challenging and even highly stressful events can promote resilience when a child is surrounded by supportive relationships and a safe environment.¹ Research from the 2017 Health Outcome of Positive Experiences (HOPE) study emphasizes the importance of positive experiences in day-to-day relationships, which has been shown to have lasting impacts on physical and mental health.² Additional research indicates that positive and supportive relationships provide the buffering that allow children and youth to withstand and recover from adverse experiences.³ In Wisconsin, 72% of high school students feel that they have someone at school they can talk to.⁴

Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs)
An ACE is a negative childhood event that can include experiences such as neglect or abuse, living with a parent who has substance use issues, or being exposed to domestic violence. These experiences are correlated with many negative social outcomes and physical health issues. In 2015, 56% of Wisconsin adults had one or more ACEs, and 14% had four or more.⁵

Promoting Family Resilience through Problem Solving

- Talking about the problem as a family
- Working together to solve the problem
- Knowing and identifying family strengths
- Remaining hopeful when facing a problem

In Wisconsin, 78% of children live in families engaged in all four of the above activities.⁶ Wisconsin families are particularly good at recognizing their strengths and staying hopeful when facing problems.

Resilience in Wisconsin's Adults
Social support is defined as “having friends and other people, including family, to turn to in times of need or crisis to give you a broader focus and positive self-image.” Social support improves quality of life and acts as a buffer against adverse life experiences.⁸

Measures of childhood resilience

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Percent of Wisconsin adults reporting the following social supports

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<td>Often felt a sense of belonging in high school</td>
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<td>Often had at least two adults, other than parents, who took an interest in you</td>
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Resilience Factors
Two powerful protective factors include:¹⁰
- Feeling that family stands by you in hard times
- Having someone to talk with about difficult feelings

Most Wisconsin adults feel supported by family (83%) and by friends (81%).¹¹
Resilience (page 2)

Social Support Protects against Mental Distress

Frequent Mental Distress refers to the experience of stress, depression, or emotional problems for 14 or more days within the previous 30 days. In 2015, 10% of Wisconsin residents experienced frequent mental distress. Data from the Wisconsin Behavioral Risk Factor shows the correlation between social support and ACEs on the impact of frequent mental distress, demonstrating how individuals with higher ACEs have lower frequent mental distress in the presence of more social support. This suggests that access to strong social support enables individuals, regardless of an ACEs score, to experience less frequent mental distress, and have better outcomes overall.\textsuperscript{12,13}

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Parent and Youth Voice\textsuperscript{15}

Focusing on a child and parent’s strength goes a long way to build trust and deepen relationships. Reframing challenges as opportunities builds confidence and motivation. Listening without judgement helps rejuvenate a youth or parent who has been struggling.

Agencies serving youth can do the following to promote resilience:

- Develop caring interpersonal interactions based on respect, empathy, strengths, attentive listening and positive feedback.
- Engage in meaningful participation by recognizing young people’s values and contributions.
- Promote high expectations with accompanying support.
- Empower young people to identify and master skills of interest.
- Listen.
- Promote creative expression.
- Capitalize on individuals altruism and willingness to support and serve others.
- Support individuals in embracing cultural identity.

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Suspension and Expulsion
Nationally, almost 3 million students are suspended or expelled each year. These students are more likely to be held back, drop out of school, or be involved in the juvenile justice system.¹ School discipline policies are linked to a child’s mental well being, both as a cause (children with behavioral disabilities are more likely to be disciplined), and as an effect (children who are suspended or expelled are at greater risk for negative outcomes).²

Overall Wisconsin expulsion and suspension rates have decreased. Expulsions for all students decreased by 50% in 2014/15 but increased slightly for all students in 2015/16.³

Suspension rates are higher for Wisconsin black students.⁶
- Black students are suspended 7.5 times more than white students.
- Rates of suspension for black students decreased 30% in the last three school years, but rose in 2015/16.

High suspension rates remain for students with disabilities.⁴ Students with Emotional/Behavioral Disabilities (EBD) experienced a slight reduction in overall suspensions and expulsions but are still expelled almost eight times as frequently as the general student body.

Percent of students suspended by race and ethnicity (2015/16)
- 2.0% of White students
- 4.4% of Hispanic students
- 17.6% of Black students

Early Childhood Discipline
Preschool expulsions outnumber Kindergarten through 12th grade expulsions.⁷ nationally, 10% of preschool teachers have expelled at least one child during the past year.⁸

Some early childhood programs prohibit suspensions and expulsions and instead provide staff with skills to manage challenging child behaviors.⁹ Yet 2 of every 1,000 pre-school children and 11 out of 1,000 kindergarteners in Wisconsin students were suspended in 2015/16.¹⁰

Suspension rates differ among sub groups. For example, young boys are 4.5 times more likely to be suspended than girls, and black children are 5 times more likely to be suspended than children of other races.¹¹ (see bar graphs below)

Key Findings
- Suspension and expulsion put children at risk for negative outcomes including lower graduation rates and future involvement in the youth justice system.
- Nationally preschool children are expelled at a rate higher than school children in grades K through 12. In Wisconsin, around 1% of kindergarteners are suspended, though rates are higher at charter schools.
- Wisconsin has some of the highest graduation rates for White children and some of the lowest rates for Black children.
- Wisconsin four year graduation rates have remained stable for students with disabilities and most racial groups.
High School Graduation Rates
Compared to the U.S., more Wisconsin youth graduate from high school on time (82.3% vs. 88.2%).

Graduation Rates by Race and Ethnicity
Wisconsin has some of the highest graduation rates for White children and some of the lowest rates for Black children.

Four-year graduation rates in Wisconsin by disability status (2015/16)  

Trends in Graduation Rates
Wisconsin four-year graduation rates have remained stable for students with disabilities and most racial groups. American Indians and Hispanic students have seen a slight increase from 2012/13 to the 2015/16 school year.  

Parent and Youth Voice
Parents can be partners in providing schools with strategies to prevent challenging behaviors – often this is as simple as having one trusted adult at school who the child can talk to when feeling stressed. Youth appreciate co-creating de-escalation strategies that allow them to stay in school while still keeping other students and teachers safe.

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The Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS) has a number of programs that serve children with emotional, behavioral, developmental and physical disabilities or delays through Medicaid or IDEA funding. The Birth to 3 Program serves children under the age of three who have delays or disabilities and their families through therapies mainly provided in the home. The Children's Long-Term Support (CLTS) Waiver Program is a Home and Community-Based Service Waiver that provides Medicaid funding for children who have significant developmental, physical, or emotional disabilities leading to substantial limitations in their daily activities.

Other funding streams for supports and services for children with disabilities include the Children's Community Options Program (CCOP), and the Katie Beckett Program.

Number of Children Served

In 2016, the Wisconsin long-term support programs served 24,247 children with disabilities, 5,854 of whom had a mental health diagnosis.

Children with mental health needs make up 1.4% of the Birth to 3 Program population, 70% of the CLTS population, and 30% of the current waiting list.\(^3\)

Key Findings

- One in four Wisconsin children with a disability receiving long-term supports had mental health needs (2016).\(^3\)
- Fewer younger children (under three) with social emotional needs are served compared to older children with a disability served.
- Additional funding to the Children's Long-Term Support Waiver Program will support an additional three thousand children, about 30% of whom have a mental health diagnosis.
- The CLTS Waiver Program provides many services for children and families; respite care funded at $8.7 million/year, is highly valued by parents.

Children's Long-Term Support Waiver Program Waiting List

The CLTS Waiver Program waiting list held just over 2,600 children at the end of 2016, and about 30% of those children (751) have social, emotional, or mental health needs. Some children receive supports while on the waiting list, though most (75%) do not. To support children with disabilities, an additional $39.2 million will be put towards eliminating this waiting list in the 2017/19 budget.\(^1\)

Why is eliminating the CLTS waiver program waiting list important?

Families with children with disabilities are more likely to live in poverty, making it more difficult to provide the extra supports and services that their child needs. Nationally 48% of children with disabilities and 53% of children with mental health disabilities specifically, live in families under 200% of the federal poverty level, compared to only 42% of children without disabilities.\(^2\)

Definitions: The Wisconsin Department of Health Services, Division of Medicaid defines a child with “mental health needs” as a child who has a mental health diagnosis listed on his/her most recent Children's Long Term Support Functional Screen. Other reports may use the term “Serious Emotional Disturbance” (SED) an eligibility category, to count the number of children in CLTS Waiver Program, CCOP, or the Birth to 3 Program. This report instead includes all children with mental health needs, though they may be eligible for long-term supports through a primary physical or developmental disability. Many children in these programs have dual diagnoses of physical, developmental, and/or social/emotional disabilities.
CLTS Waiver Program Spending

The CLTS Waiver Program provides Medicaid funding for a range of services based on the needs of the child and family.

In 2016, CLTS spent 8.7 million on respite for all children (not just those with mental health needs), 12% of the total spending in that year.

Other services that support social and emotional skills and a child’s integration into the community include community supports, mentoring, and daily living skills. This program also provides funding for additional services (not shown), including service coordination, the most frequently used support.

Infants Under 3 Years Old with Delays or Disabilities

In 2014, the Wisconsin Birth to 3 Program served around 5,760 children with delays or disabilities, which is 2.8% of the children under age three in Wisconsin. These programs primarily serve speech/language, developmental disabilities, and autism. Few children are identified as having emotional or behavioral disabilities (just under 1% of children served).

A guiding principle of the Birth to 3 Program is to support families who are viewed as the child’s greatest resource. As such, the program tracks outcomes relating to family services and supports (below).

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Family and Youth Experience

Flexible funding available through CLTS provides families with supports to keep their children out of hospitals and institutions. Of particular importance is respite care, which allows families a break from caretaking and puts a trained caregiver in the home or other location of the family’s choice. Some families worry about losing long-term care eligibility. These programs have strict functional eligibility requirements and children may lose eligibility if their needs decrease.

Infants, Toddlers, and Children 3 to 5 Years Old with Delays or Disabilities

Wisconsin’s Department of Public Instruction has an early childhood special education program (IDEA Part B, 619) program that served 7.6% of children ages 3-5 in 2014. In this same year, 50.8% of infants and toddlers, and 79.1% of 3-5 year olds, substantially improved their social-emotional skills.
FACT SHEET: Youth Justice

Intersection of Trauma, Mental Health, and Youth Justice

**Trauma**
- In general, youth with high Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) are at greater risk of becoming youth offenders. One study showed that 80% of violent youth offenders had an incarcerated household member (an example of an ACE), which is nine times higher than the national average of 9%.
- Early exposure to high levels of toxic stress can negatively impact executive functioning (e.g., reduced impulse control, difficulty delaying gratification, and challenges in weighing rewards and consequences) frequently leading to behaviors resulting in punitive measures.

**Mental Health**
- Youth with depression are 70% more likely than their non-depressed peers to display violent behavior, including committing violent crimes.
- Upon admission (also known as a “commitment”) to Wisconsin’s two juvenile correction facilities, Lincoln Hills or Copper Lake, assessments indicated that around two thirds of the youth had used mental health services prior to admission (2017). In 2016, 76% of youth at Lincoln Hills or Copper Lake received mental health services such as dialectical behavior therapy, cognitive behavioral treatment, and sex offender or substance use disorder treatment. Youth with more intensive mental health needs may be transferred to the Mendota Juvenile Treatment Center.

**Wisconsin Youth Arrests are Decreasing**
In 2015, 44,157 youth between the ages of 10 and 16 were arrested, down 40% from 2011, though still higher than the national average (43 per 1,000 in Wisconsin compared to 14 per 1,000 in 2014). Wisconsin's detention rate has decreased over the past twenty years, with a 51% reduction in the one-day count. Detention is the placement of a youth accused of committing a crime into a secure facility pending hearing or disposition. In 2015, 762 youth from 18 years old and younger were detained, down 7% from 2013, and down almost 30% from the 2010. The 2013 detention rate of 156/100,000 youth, was slightly lower than the national average of 173/100,000 youth.

**Wisconsin Detention Rates are Decreasing**
All races and ethnicities have had a reduction in detention rates between 2007 and 2015, with Hispanic and white youth experiencing the greatest decrease (29%), and black youth experiencing a more modest decrease (23%). Wisconsin's detention rates remain racially disproportionate.

**Wisconsin’s Detention Rates Remain Racially Disproportionate**
Of all youth arrested in 2015, about 21% of black youth and 9% of white youth were detained. Wisconsin had detention rate 50% higher than the national average for black youth (148 per 100,000), and detains black youth 19 times more often than white youth.

**Key Findings**
- Youth with high Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) are at greater risk of becoming youth offenders.
- Black youth in Wisconsin are detained 19 times more than white youth, in contrast to the national trend of higher white youth detention rates.
- Wisconsin youth arrests, detentions, and incarcerations are decreasing, though Wisconsin continues to have a higher youth arrest rate than the national average.
- Overall rates of youth incarceration are going down, both for youth in the juvenile justice system, and youth in the adult correctional system.
Trends in Youth Incarceration

Incarceration is the long-term hold of those found guilty of a crime. In Wisconsin, youth are incarcerated, or “committed” to one of two state facilities, Lincoln Hills (for males) and Copper Lake (for females), or at Mendota, a state run mental health facility.

• On 6/30/2017, the state facilities housed 178 youth in Lincoln Hills and Copper Lake Schools.
• These youth facilities had 166 new commitments in 2016.
• More youth of color are committed than white youth (see table to the right).
• The average daily population for Wisconsin youth who are committed decreased by 25% from 408 in 2010 to 307 in 2014.19

Youth Incarcerated as Adults20

Wisconsin had a 40% decrease over the last ten years in daily counts for youth (<19) incarcerated in the adult system. Young adults between 20 and 24 have had a 30% decrease (see line graph below).

Recidivism

The Department of Corrections defines recidivism as individuals with a prior offence who commit a new crime and return to corrections. Recidivism is high among youth (<18) commitments. For Wisconsin youth released in 2011:21

• 36% returned to corrections (first year)
• 45% returned to corrections (second year)
• 63% returned to corrections (third year)

Nationally, almost half of incarcerated youth return within three years.22 For young adults 18 to 29, 20% return in one year, and 40% return after three years.23

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**FACT SHEET: Youth Psychiatric Hospitalizations, Readmissions, and Emergency Detentions**

**Psychiatric hospitalizations** are used in times of intense need, when a child is thought to be a harm to him/herself or others.1

**Wisconsin Youth Hospitalizations (2015):**
- Psychiatric hospitalizations for 3,030 children on Medicaid occurred at Wisconsin’s 23 state and private hospitals at a cost of approximately $25 million.
- Children’s psychiatric hospitalizations decreased with 15% fewer children hospitalized in 2015 than 2014.
- Of the children who received any mental health services from Medicaid in 2015, 8.4% were hospitalized.
- The top two diagnoses for hospitalizations were depression (36%) and other mood disorders (23%).
- Girls and boys had the most hospitalizations during adolescence.
- Children were hospitalized for an average of 6 days each stay, which is higher than the national average of 4.5 days.²
- Children spent an average of seven days in the hospital, and about 20% of children had more than one stay each year.
- Children living in high poverty counties had the highest rates of psychiatric hospitalizations at 76 per 100,000 compared to 47 per 100,000 in the counties with the lowest poverty.³

![Cost of Visits](image)

**Cost**
Psychiatric hospitalization costs include room and board, tests, medication, and therapy.

In 2015:
- Cost of stay varied by diagnosis, gender, and age.
- The average hospital stay was $4,600, with a high of $80,000.

![Geography](image)

**Geography**
Counts with a population over 80,000 (Dane, Milwaukee, and Waukesha) account for 40% of the hospitalization costs, while serving only 32% of Wisconsin’s children (2015). Many counties are working to reduce hospitalizations and some have decreased as much as 30% between 2013 and 2015.

**Key Findings**
- Emergency Detentions are on the rise, e.g., Wisconsin’s state facility reached 200% capacity (point in time) in 2017.
- Youth on Medicaid had fewer psychiatric hospitalizations in 2015 compared to the previous two years, though the number of Emergency Detentions almost doubled during that same time period.
- Psychiatric hospitalizations are expensive, costing almost $5,000 per stay. As a comparison, Medicaid mental health providers could provide over a year of outpatient therapy for less money.

**Parent and Youth Voice**
Some parents report that initiating an Emergency Detention to Winnebago Mental Health Institute (WMHI) seems like the most expedient way to access mental health services for their children.

Families report receiving needed follow-up care from WMHI staff, such as enrollment in Medicaid and links to additional services such as wraparound programs.
**Youth Psychiatric Hospitalizations, Readmissions, and Emergency Detentions (page 2)**

**Readmission** is defined as reentering the hospital within 7, 30, or 365 days of discharge. Lowering readmission rates is a quality metric approved by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, among others. In 2015, 11% of Wisconsin children who were hospitalized for psychiatric reasons were readmitted within 30 days (N=325), and 31% of children were readmitted within a year. The percent of Wisconsin children readmitted into a hospital within a year has increased almost 20% from 2013 to 2015. One in 10 children on Medicaid is readmitted to the hospital for psychiatric services within 30 days. Three in 10 children on Medicaid are readmitted to the hospital for psychiatric services within one year.

**Emergency Detention** is a type of psychiatric hospitalization bound by legal status and established only when youth experience severe mental distress and are at risk of harming themselves or others. Many youth under an emergency detention are taken to Winnebago Mental Health Institute (WMHI), a state-run mental health facility.

**Emergency Detention (ED) Admissions**
- The average monthly ED admissions have steadily increased since 2011.
- Teens are most likely to be admitted (see line graph), but the number of young adult admissions has more than doubled in the last three years (250 to 500 per year).
- The number of children (ages 5-11) admitted to WMHI has increased 165% since 2011, and was up 33% in 2016. This is the most growth for any age group.
- WMHI reached their highest historical youth admissions (e.g. 200% of capacity) in May of 2017. Causes are believed to be related to increasing severity of youth’s mental health needs as well as the 2010 elimination of youth ED admissions to Mendota Mental Health Institute.

**References**

1. Wisconsin Department of Health Services. (2012-2015). Medicaid claims spending [Data file]. Received 3/1/2017 from the Division of Medicaid Services. This analysis includes psychiatric hospitalizations for children under age 18, designated by a mental health diagnosis and a DRG indicating mental health. Claims from 2015 unless otherwise stated. Geographic analyses are based on a child’s county of residence, not the location of the hospital.
3. Poverty levels are calculated by quartile, data from 2015 Medicaid claims. (See Reference 1).
6. Data on Emergency Detentions is only available for those that happen at WMHI and in Milwaukee County. A presumed number of ED’s happen at other facilities around the state.
Youth Suicide\(^1\)\(^2\)
- Nationally, 9.8 per 100,000 youth (n=2,061) aged 15-19 died by suicide (2015).
- More teen males complete suicide than females. In 2015, the national rate of teen male suicide was 18.1 per 100,000, and for females was 5.1 per 100,000.
- Nationally and in Wisconsin suicide is increasing. Between 2007 and 2015, the national youth suicide rate for youth ages 15-19 increased by 30% for males and doubled for teen females. In Wisconsin, youth suicide rates have doubled from 2007 to 2015 (see line graph below).
- Wisconsin and the nation show an upward trend in suicide rates for 15-19 year olds.\(^3\) The suicide rates for Wisconsin 10-14 year olds are too low to be stable and cannot be compared to national data.\(^4\)

**Bullying**
- Bullying may impact a child’s social and emotional development and can be a risk factor for mental illness.\(^9\)
  - Nationally in 2015, 26% of females and 20% of male high school students were bullied.\(^10\) In Wisconsin, 28% of females and 20% of males were bullied in 2017.\(^11\)

**Family History**
- Youth with parents who experience mental illness, or a parent who died by suicide are more likely to die by suicide.\(^12\)
  - In 2016, 7.8% and 8.7% of children nationally and Wisconsin, respectively, lived with a parent with mental illness.\(^13\)

**Mental Illness or Drug /Alcohol Use**\(^14\)
- A 2003 study showed that 90% of older youth who died by suicide had some documented mental illness.
- Drug and alcohol use is correlated with suicidality.

**Sexual Orientation**
- LGBTQ+ youth are more likely to experience depression, alcohol abuse, victimization, all of which can lead to suicidal behavior.\(^15,16\) Wisconsin’s LGB students were 3.5 times more likely to attempt suicide (2016).\(^17\)

**Means Restriction**
- Nationally, 43% of suicides in 15-19 year olds were by suffocation, 42% by firearm, and 6% by drug poisoning.\(^21\) Reducing access to guns and medications is advised for people with suicidal thoughts.

**Social Support**
- Being connected to family, community, and other social supports can protect and strengthen resilience in young people.\(^22,23\)
- 94.2% of Wisconsin youth have one or more adult mentor, a percentage which remains high among all racial groups.\(^24\)
- Community-based prevention and training programs such as Question Persuade Refer (QPR), provide support and resources to youth in crisis.

**Key Findings**
- National and Wisconsin youth suicide rates have been rising since 2007.
- Wisconsin consistently has higher youth suicide rates than the national average.
- Wisconsin’s LGB students are 3.5 times more likely to attempt suicide.
- Self harm rates have increased, particularly for Wisconsin females ages 15-19.
- Wisconsin youth have protective factors such as adult mentors and community supports including access to QPR, and text help lines.
Suicide Warning Signs

- Talking about wanting to die, feeling hopeless, having no purpose, or feeling trapped.
- Increasing use of alcohol or drugs.
- Extreme mood swings or change in social interactions or sleep patterns.

If someone you know exhibits warning signs of suicide:

- Do not leave the person alone.
- Remove firearms, alcohol, drugs, or sharp objects.
- Call your [local crisis intervention hotline] or the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline at 800-273-TALK or text “HOPELINE” to 741741.

Self Harm may or may not be related to suicidal ideation or intention, but similarly represents mental distress and possible underlying depression, anxiety, isolation, substance use, or suicidal ideation. Self harm may also be related to childhood abuse or bullying.

- In 2016, 38% of Wisconsin’s female high school students reported feeling sad and hopeless for two or more weeks, up from 26% in 2011.
- In 2017, 8.9% of male and 24.1% of female high school students reported purposefully hurting themselves without wanting to die. No change was seen from 2013.

National and Wisconsin self harm hospitalizations are increasing.

- The national rate of self harm hospitalizations for all youth (under 18) has increased, with the rate for females doubling between 2009 and 2015, to a rate of 218 per 100,000. This same increase was seen in Wisconsin females.
- The Wisconsin rate is lower than the national rate. In 2014, the rate of Wisconsin self harm hospitalizations in females under 18 was 158/100,000, compared to 207/100,000 nationally.
- Rates for specific groups in Wisconsin are higher than average. The highest rates of self harm were seen in females between the ages of 15-17 years, at 376/100,000 in 2014.

Adverse Child and Family Experiences

Physical, sexual, and emotional abuse, as well as other ACEs, can lead to suicide risk factors such as mental illness, substance use, or social isolation.

Prevalence of Adverse Family Experiences in Wisconsin’s children (2016)

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Wisconsin self harm hospitalizations for youth under 18

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The primary goals of this report are to outline the efforts undertaken by the OCMH and to provide current data regarding the well-being of children and youth in Wisconsin. This report summarizes the many activities of the OCMH over the last year, including its efforts to support the Children's Mental Health Collective Impact and workgroups, detailing funding changes that stand to positively impact children's mental health, and outlines how OCMH efforts in the coming year will serve to further its mission. The updated data for the 48 child well-being indicators, along with the 15 fact sheets provide an overview of how the needs of children and families are currently being met by the programs and services available in Wisconsin.
Tina Buhrow (Chippewa County) serves on the following:
- Co-chair Children’s Mental Health Collective Impact (CMHCI) Executive Council
- Co-chair CMHCI Trauma-Informed Care Workgroup
- Co-chair Chippewa County Children, Youth & Families Committee
- Wisconsin Trauma Project Co-Facilitator (in training)
- Crisis Stabilization Provider
- Parent Advisory to School Mental Health Initiative

Michael is a thinker. He contemplates topics and is careful to provide input only after careful consideration.

When Michael speaks, people listen.

Michael Bostrom (Chippewa County) attends school, works, and represents the viewpoint of young adults as a member of the Children’s Mental Health Collective Impact.

Kimberlee Coronado (Waukesha County) serves on the following:
- Waukesha County TIC Partnership/Collective Impact Committee
- Waukesha’s Special Services Advisory Committee
- Waukesha County Children’s Mental Health Committee
- Co-chair of the CMHCI Executive Council and the CIPs meetings
- CMHCI Access Workgroup and TIC policy workshop moderator
- DHS Rule 40 Day Treatment Advisory Committee
- Governor’s Wisconsin Council on Mental Health
- Governor’s Committee for People with Disabilities
- DCF Children with Disabilities in the Child Welfare System workgroup

Kimberlee ensures that our pace allows for everyone to have input.

She comes to the table ready to learn and takes this knowledge to transform as many child-serving systems as she can.

Charisse Daniels (Jefferson County) serves on the following:
- Children’s Mental Health Collective Impact (CMHCI) Executive Council Committee
- Mental Health Practitioner and Team Support Coordinator at Minnesota CarePartner
- Supervisor of supervised visitations at WI Families in Transition Services

Charisse is one of our newest CIP members. She brings years of experience improving child serving systems.
Tabitha DeGroot (Brown County) serves on the following:
• Co-chair of the Children’s Mental Health Collective Impact (CMHCI) Executive Council Committee
• Oneida Nation – Coordinated Services Teams (CST) Committee
• Parent 2 Parent Mentor

Tabatha brings a youthful, fresh energy to the group that revitalizes and energizes us.

Her contributions and leadership grow with each meeting.

Bob Fredericks (Dane County) serves on the following:
• Recovery Implementation Task Force (RITF) for Wisconsin
• Co-chair of the Health Care Integration sub-committee of the RITF
• Children’s Mental Health Collective Impact Partner
• Parent Peer Specialist Workgroup

Bob reminds us of the importance of substance use issues, and the impact on families’ well-being.

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• Mental Health Practitioner and Team Support Coordinator at Minnesota CarePartner
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Whitney brings a unique perspective, including that of a provider working within the mental health system, and as a parent navigating children’s mental health services.

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• Facilitator for NAMI Fox Valley Family Support Group for Parents and Caregivers of School Age Children
• Children’s Mental Health Collective Impact (CMHCI) Executive Council Committee
• Co-chair of the CMHCI Access Workgroup
• Children Come First (CCF) Advisory Committee
• DHS Rule 40 Day Treatment Advisory Committee

Robert has a wonderful ability to say things in ways that relate to many people.
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- Parent Peer Specialist, Southeast Regional Coordinator and Intake Specialist, and Children Come First Conference Coordinator for Wisconsin Family Ties
- Children’s Mental Health Collective Impact (CMHCI) Parent Partner
- CMHCI Resilience workgroup member
- Shared Resource Group for the Wisconsin Alliance for Infant Mental Health
- Board Member Helping Hands Healing Hooves, Ozaukee County
- Board Member for The Gathering, future respite care facility in Ozaukee County
- Partnership for Children’s Mental Health Committee in Waukesha County
- Character Counts Mental Health Committee Port Washington/Saukville School District and Community
- Youth Mental Health First Aid Trainer
- Trauma-Informed Care Champion

Corbi Stephens (Marquette County) serves on the following:
- Children’s Mental Health Collective Impact (CMHCI) Young Adult Partner
- Co-chair of the CMHCI CIPs
- Co-Chair of the CMHCI Resilience Committee
- Marquette County CCS Coordinating Committee

Zofia Kaminski (Outagamie County) attends school, working towards her bachelor degree in social work and represents the viewpoint of young adults as a member of the Children’s Mental Health Collective Impact.

Corbi keeps us honest about the language we use. She reminds us of the importance of being respectful and thoughtful in the words we say and how we say them.

Corbi reminds us to be intentional in our work and keeps us focused on the mission and goals. He brings experience from the private sector to conversations about the public mental health system.

Joe Zeimentz (Dane County) serves on the following:
- Children’s Mental Health Collective Impact (CMHCI) Executive Council
- OCMH Research Advisory Council

Joe reminds us to be intentional in our work and keeps us focused on the mission and goals. He brings experience from the private sector to conversations about the public mental health system.

Zofia brings a positive and hopeful perspective, despite having faced many challenges within the current mental health system.

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Network Mapping: The Big Picture
The network map below represents the people and organizations who have contributed time and expert guidance to the Children’s Mental Health Collective Impact initiative and the Office of Children’s Mental Health. The following pages separate this network into activity clusters.

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Appendix: Financial Tables of Child- and Family-Serving Agencies, 2017

Department of Children and Families (DCF) Financial Table

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| Children and Family Aids (2016-2017)               | Counties may use financial aids for services related to child abuse and neglect, fetal abuse (including prevention, investigation, and treatment), juvenile justice, and other target populations. Approximately 50% of the CFA is used for child abuse and neglect, 27% for other child welfare services to families ($17,948,385), and 23% for community-based juvenile justice corrections placements. Counties are required to match at 9.89%.  
  General Purpose Revenue                                                                 | $25,658,600                                           |              | $68,327,900  |
| Title IV-E funding for a portion of the cost of services for children who meet financial eligibility criteria and are placed in out-of-home care. DCF distributes federal reimbursements to counties.  
  Title IV-B, Subpart 1 funding is primarily used to keep children with their families. These services include respite care, intensive family treatment, and individual and family counseling. Funds are distributed to states on the basis of their under-21 population and per capita income. States are required to provide a 25% funding match to the federal grant.  | $32,472,600                                           |              |              |
|                                                   |                                                                                                                          | $2,900,000                                           |              |              |

1 Austin, Sam and Gentry, John, Community Aids/Children and Family Aids, Informational Paper 47, Wisconsin Legislative Fiscal Bureau, January, 2015 p. 6
3 IBID p. 27
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Social Services Block Grant (SSBG) funding is used to address at least one of five goals: 1) prevent, reduce or eliminated economic dependency; 2) achieve or maintain self-sufficiency; 3) prevent or remedy neglect, abuse or exploitation of children and adults; 4) prevent or reduce inappropriate institutional care; and 5) secure admission or referral for institutional care when other forms of care are not appropriate. Up to 10% of the allotment can be transferred to preventative health and health services, behavioral health services, maternal and child health services, and low-income home energy assistance block grants. The funds may also be used for staff training, administration, planning, evaluation, and technical assistance to develop, implement, or administer Wisconsin’s social service program.\(^5\)

Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Block Grant (TANF). The state may use up to 10% of this allocation for purposes consistent with the requirements of the SSBG. \(^5\)

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<td>Empowering Families of Milwaukee Home Visiting Program: Services provided to pregnant and post-partum Milwaukee women in eleven zip codes that have high rates of poverty, child abuse and neglect referrals, and poor birth outcomes.</td>
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<td><strong>Brighter Futures</strong></td>
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<td>SAFE Milwaukee (2017)</td>
<td>This is a short-term, behaviorally oriented family therapy program targeted to youth ages 10 to 18 that have severe behavior challenges, are frequently and/or at risk of being delinquent. United Neighborhood Centers of Milwaukee (UMOS) facilities are located in the neighborhoods with the youth at highest risk of delinquencies.</td>
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| Post Reunification Services Waiver               | Case managers develop a twelve month post-reunification plan based on the needs of the child and family. The plan may include trauma-informed services, crisis stabilization services, in-home therapy, alcohol and drug assessment and treatment for parents, mental health services, respite care, transportation, and connection to community services. This is a five year waiver totaling $10,000,000 with $2,000,000 designated annually to provide flexible funding for reunifying families.
| Domestic Violence Services                       | Grants to local domestic violence service providers to assist victims of domestic violence. Services are provided to adults and children.                                                                                                                                  | $5,983,900 |
| Youth Aids Funding                               | Under Act 55, DCF is provides counties with an annual allocation of state and federal funds that may be used to pay for juvenile delinquency-related services, including out-of-home placements and non-residential, community-based services. Counties may supplement their expenditures with funding from other sources including community aids, other state aids to counties, county tax revenues, and special grant monies. The Department of Corrections retains oversight over direct juvenile justice services, such as juvenile correctional facilities, the serious juvenile offender program, and aftercare supervision.
| General Purpose Revenue                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | $88,591,400 |
| FED                                              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | $2,175,900  |
| Youth Community Intervention Program             | Early intervention services for first-time juvenile offenders. Funding is distributed to eligible counties using a formula that calculates each county’s allocation on the bases of juvenile arrests for violent crimes, juvenile arrest for serious property crimes and juvenile correctional placements.                     | $3,700,000 |

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<td>Adoption Assistance</td>
<td>To be eligible, a child must have one of the following special needs: be 10 years or older, if age is the only factor in determining eligibility; a member of a sibling group of three or more youth; at risk of having or has five or more moderate to intense needs due to: adjustment to trauma, limitations in life functioning (including physical, mental and dental health), relationships with family members and social skills, functioning in a child care or school setting, behavioral and emotional needs or risk behaviors; or belonging to a minority race which limits the timely placement of a child due to a lack of appropriate placement options.</td>
<td>$91,081,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>General Purpose Revenue</td>
<td></td>
<td>$48,930,300</td>
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<tr>
<td>Title IV-E (FED)</td>
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<td>$42,150,700</td>
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<tr>
<td>Adoption Resource Centers</td>
<td>Provides information on the adoptive process to prospective adoptive parents, birth parents, adoptive families, professionals, and the general public.</td>
<td>$676,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Post Adoption Resource Centers</td>
<td>Seven agencies provide education, support and services to adoptive families; provide an understanding of issues facing adoptive families among human service providers, schools and medical care providers; and collaborate to address the needs of adoptive families. Title IV-B Sup part 2 each center receives between $92,500 – 110,000. Additionally under 2015 Act 55 $225,000 GPR annually supports the federal grants.</td>
<td>$812,500</td>
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<th>Program</th>
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<th>Budget</th>
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<td><strong>Kinship Care (2016-17 Budgeted)</strong></td>
<td>Supports children who reside outside of the home with a relative rather than placing the child in foster care or other out-of-home placements. Federal TANF(^{16})</td>
<td>$21,435,000</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Boys and Girls Clubs</strong></td>
<td>Represents 25 distinct Boys and Girls Clubs with 42 program sites throughout the state. The objectives are to improve the social, academic and employment skills of low-income at risk youth. Skills Mastery and Resistance Training (SMART) curricula focuses on helping youth develop healthy attitudes and responsible behaviors that lead to abstinence from sexual involvement and substance abuse; positive relationships free of violence and abuse, and overall health. Families eligible for free and reduced lunch program may participate in a full range of services. TANF</td>
<td>$1,175,000</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Board (2016 - 17)</strong></td>
<td>CANPB supports services to prevent child abuse and neglect through partnerships and investments. The Board administers the Children’s Trust Fund (CTF) and is required to solicit and accept contributions, grants, gifts and bequests for CTF.(^{17})</td>
<td>$3,041,200</td>
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<tr>
<td>General Purpose Revenue</td>
<td></td>
<td>$995,00</td>
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<tr>
<td>Title II of the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act (CAPTA) Federal Funding (FED)</td>
<td></td>
<td>$632,700</td>
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<tr>
<td>Program Revenue comes from the sale of duplicate birth certificates, services such as state mailings, special computer services, training programs, printed materials and publications.</td>
<td></td>
<td>$1,398,500</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Segregated Funding (SEG)</td>
<td>Matching funds are also provided for the sexual abuse prevention campaign, the family resource center grants and the community-based family resource and support program grants.</td>
<td>$15,000</td>
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\(^{16}\) Gentry, John D., Wisconsin Works (W-2) and Other Economic Support Programs, Informational Paper 43, Wisconsin Legislative Fiscal Bureau, January 2017, p. 45

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### Child Advocacy Centers (CACs)

Provide comprehensive services to child victims and their families by coordinating services from law enforcement and criminal justice agencies, child protective services, victim advocacy agencies, and health care providers. The Department of Justice provides 14 annual grants to CACs in 14 counties.\(^\text{18}\)

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<td>General Purpose Revenue</td>
<td>$2,388,100</td>
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<tr>
<td>Funding for the CAC grants is provided from Justice Information System Surcharge revenue. The $21.50 surcharge is assessed with a court fee for certain court procedures.</td>
<td>$3,645,800</td>
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<tr>
<td>FED</td>
<td>$823,900</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>$6,857,800</strong></td>
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### Child Care and Development Funds (CCDF)

The federal child care and development block grant provides a combination of discretionary and entitlement funds for child care services for low-income families and to improve the quality and supply of child care for all families.\(^\text{19}\)

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<th>Funding Source</th>
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<td>FY 2017 Federal CCDF (Discretionary, Mandatory and Matching)</td>
<td>$98,666,549</td>
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<tr>
<td>Federal TANF Transfer to CCDF</td>
<td>$61,833,144</td>
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<tr>
<td>Direct Federal TANF spending on Child Care</td>
<td>$100,000,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>State CCDF Maintenance of Effort Funds</td>
<td>$16,449,406</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>$276,949,199</strong></td>
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\(^\text{19}\) Gentry, John D., *Wisconsin Works (W-2) and Other Economic Support Programs*, Informational Paper 43, Wisconsin Legislative Fiscal Bureau, January, 2017 p. 77

### Department of Corrections (DOC) Financial Table

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<tr>
<td><strong>Juvenile Justice System</strong></td>
<td>Funding for the state costs of the juvenile justice system in 2016-17 (the $66.7 mill includes the $31,424,400 for the facilities)</td>
<td>$66,700,000</td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Secured Facilities</strong></td>
<td>The Division of Juvenile Corrections (DJC) operates two juvenile correctional facilities -- one facility for males (Lincoln Hills) and one for females (Copper Lake).</td>
<td>$31,424,400</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Mendota Juvenile Treatment: DHS operates a 29-bed, secured mental health unit for male juveniles who have complex mental health issues.</td>
<td>$4,663,100</td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>General Purpose Revenue</td>
<td>$1,365,500</td>
<td></td>
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<td></td>
<td>Program Revenue</td>
<td>$2,997,600</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Lincoln Hills School - average daily population (2016 – 17): 231</td>
<td>$21,710,100</td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Copper Lake School - average daily population (2016 – 17): 53</td>
<td>$4,466,800</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Grow Academy - A male residential treatment program located in Dane County with an agricultural science-based curriculum and a capacity of 12. Average daily population for June – December of 2015: 5.</td>
<td>$884,400</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Serious Juvenile Offenders</strong></td>
<td>State funded. Average daily population (2016-17): 206</td>
<td>$14,900,000</td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Juvenile Corrective Sanctions Program</strong></td>
<td>Provides intensive supervision in the community. DOC is required to provide a corrective sanctions program to serve an average of 136 juveniles in not less than three counties, including Milwaukee County. An average of not more than $3,000 annually is provided to purchase community-based treatment services for each corrective sanctions slot.</td>
<td>$4,300,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Utility Aid</td>
<td>State tax revenues used with county discretion.</td>
<td>$33,900,000</td>
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<td>County and Municipal Aid</td>
<td>State tax revenues used with county discretion.</td>
<td>$122,700,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Grants Through the Department of Justice</td>
<td>Provided via the Juvenile Justice Delinquency Prevention Act. Approximately 75% of these formula grants are distributed to local governments for juvenile justice programs, including delinquency prevention, early intervention, and other services.</td>
<td>$639,300</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Division of Juvenile Corrections (2016 – 17)</td>
<td>The state directly funds certain administrative costs.</td>
<td>$2,400,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Child Advocacy Centers</td>
<td>Comprehensive services for child victims and their families including coordination with law enforcement, criminal justice agencies, child protective services, victim advocacy agencies, and health care providers.</td>
<td>$238,000</td>
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25 IBID, p. 34
26 IBID, p. 35
# Department of Health Services (DHS) Financial Table: 2017

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| Basic County Allocation (2015 - 16)                | Counties may use funding to support Family Support Programs as well as services to address issues such as mental health, developmental disabilities, alcohol and other drug abuse, and dementia.  
<sup>28</sup> | $28,000,000                                                               | $169,731,700    |
| General Purpose Revenue                            |                                                                            | $137,372,600    |                |
| Social Services Block Grant (SSBG): Funding may be used to provide services directed toward at least one of five goals: 1) Prevent, reduce or eliminate economic dependency; 2) Achieve or maintain self-sufficiency; 3) Prevent or remedy neglect, abuse or exploitation of children and adults; 4) Prevent or reduce inappropriate institutional care; and 5) Secure admission or referral for institutional care when other forms of care are not appropriate. Up to 10% of the allotment can be transferred to preventative health and health services, alcohol and drug abuse services, mental health services, maternal and child health services, and low-income home energy assistance block grants. The funds may also be used for staff training, administration, planning, evaluation, and technical assistance to develop, implement, or administer the state's social service programs.  
<sup>29</sup> | $21,104,500                                                               |                 | $21,104,500    |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Block Grant (TANF): The state may use up to 10% of this allocation for purposes consistent with the requirements of the SSBG.  
<sup>30</sup> |                                                                            | $11,254,600     |                |

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<sup>28</sup> Austin, Sam, and Gentry, John, *Community Aids/Children and Family Aids*, Informational Paper 46, Wisconsin Legislative Fiscal Bureau, January, 2017 p. 3.

<sup>29</sup> IBID, p. 3

<sup>30</sup> IBID, p. 3
## Substance Abuse Block Grant (SABG)

Supports the development and implementation of substance abuse prevention, treatment, and rehabilitation. States must spend at least 20% of on education and prevention activities and at least 10% on substance abuse treatment services for pregnant women and women with dependent children.\(^{31}\)

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<tr>
<td>Community Aids Allocation (20% Prevention)</td>
<td>$9,735,700</td>
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<tr>
<td>Women's Substance Abuse Treatment Initiatives(^ {32})</td>
<td>$3,558,200</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Treatment Related Grants</td>
<td>$3,423,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>WI Department of Children and Families</td>
<td>$3,158,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Brighter Futures (Prevention)</td>
<td>$1,575,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Bureau of Milwaukee Child Welfare (20% Prevention)</td>
<td>$1,583,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>WI Department of Health Services, State Operations/Administration</td>
<td>$2,219,600</td>
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<td>WI Department of Corrections</td>
<td>$1,347,400</td>
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<tr>
<td>Division of Juvenile Corrections</td>
<td>$235,700</td>
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<tr>
<td>Female Halfway House</td>
<td>$352,200</td>
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<tr>
<td>Division of Community Corrections</td>
<td>$406,300</td>
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<tr>
<td>Native American Halfway House</td>
<td>$152,400</td>
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<tr>
<td>Division of Adult Institutions - Taycheedah</td>
<td>$202,600</td>
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<tr>
<td>Juvenile Justice Treatment Grants</td>
<td>$1,621,600</td>
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<td>Other primary prevention initiatives</td>
<td>$2,134,500</td>
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\(^{32}\) Community Mental Health and Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant reporting from DHS-DMHSAS
### Mental Health Block Grant (FFY 2016 - 17)

Funding supports comprehensive community mental health services (evaluation, planning, administration, and educational activities related to these services) to adults and children. Services include respite care, adult family home care, community prevention services, crisis intervention, counseling, and therapy. States may not use these funds to provide in-patient services or to make cash payments to recipients of health services. State may use up to 5% to support administrative costs.  

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<th>Category</th>
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<tr>
<td>Community Aids Allocation</td>
<td>$2,513,400</td>
<td>Funds support a wide range of human services.</td>
<td>$2,513,400</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Recovery, Early Intervention and Prevention</td>
<td>$1,232,000</td>
<td>supports evidence-based early intervention services for people suffering from first-episode psychosis, as well as suicide prevention efforts with a focus on reducing disparities among culture subgroups and veterans.</td>
<td>$1,232,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Children’s Initiatives: Funds provide a portion of the funding for coordinated services teams.</td>
<td>$1,826,500</td>
<td></td>
<td>$1,826,500</td>
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<tr>
<td>Consumer and Family Support: Funds are distributed through grants for mental health consumer and family supports.</td>
<td>$1,127,300</td>
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<td>$1,127,300</td>
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<td>NAMI</td>
<td>$240,900</td>
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<td>Wisconsin Family Ties</td>
<td>$265,900</td>
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<td>Independent Living Resources</td>
<td>$209,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Peer-run organizations</td>
<td>$297,148</td>
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<tr>
<td>Access to Independence</td>
<td>$114,352</td>
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<tr>
<td>State Operations</td>
<td>$710,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Transformation Activities: Funding for a wide range of activities with a focus on increasing access to services and developing evidence-based practices.</td>
<td>$546,800</td>
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<td>Recovery, Early Intervention, and Prevention</td>
<td>Funding used for self-directed care, the Child Psychiatric Consultation Program, and the promotion of tribal best practices for treatment of co-occurring disorders.</td>
<td>$1,232,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Training and Technical Assistance</td>
<td>training of mental health professionals.</td>
<td>$181,800</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Protection and Advocacy</td>
<td>Funding goes to Disability Rights Wisconsin.</td>
<td>$75,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>System Change Grants</td>
<td>Funding supports the initial phase of mental health recovery-oriented system changes, prevention and early intervention strategies, and meaningful consumer and family involvement.</td>
<td>$54,300</td>
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### Community Mental Health Allocation
Allocates funds to counties specifically for mental health services. This fund is a consolidation of five existing mental health grant programs into a single program. Counties must spend the funds received on community-based services for adults or children with a mental diagnosis or be at risk for a serious mental illness or serious emotional disorder.

### Coordinated Services Teams (CST)
Designed for children who are involved in multiple systems of care (e.g., mental health, substance abuse, child welfare, juvenile justice, special education, or developmental disabilities). Additionally, DHS supports county and tribal CST Initiatives for children who satisfy the following: have a severe emotional disorder; are at-risk of placement outside the home; are in an institution and are not receiving coordinated, community-based services; or are in an institution, but would be able to return to community placement or their homes if services were provided.

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<td>General Purpose Revenue</td>
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<tr>
<td>Mental Health Block Grant</td>
<td>$1,200,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Medical Assistance Hospital Diversion Funds</td>
<td>$700,000</td>
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<td>Department of Children and Families</td>
<td>$100,000</td>
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### Opioid Treatment Centers
The Department is required to provide two to three programs in rural, underserved areas. These programs may provide medically-assisted treatment (although not using methadone), residential services, counseling, or abstinence-based treatment. $2,000,000

### Comprehensive Community Services (CCS)
A county or regionally-based program for adults and children with mental health issues. Most services are provided in home and/or in the community as opposed to a clinician’s office. CCS is considered a psychosocial rehabilitation service and is reimbursable via Medicaid.35

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<td>General Purpose Revenue</td>
<td>$10,202,000</td>
<td>$6,499,900</td>
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### Child Psychiatry Consultation Program
Provides consultation and education to primary care clinicians on children’s mental health needs; serves children and youth in Milwaukee County and in 15 counties in northern Wisconsin, including Ashland, Bayfield, Florence, Forest, Iron, Langlade, Lincoln, Marathon, Oneida, Portage, Price, Sawyer, Taylor, Vilas, and Wood.36

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<th>General Purpose Revenue</th>
<th>Kubly Foundation</th>
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<tr>
<td>General Purpose Revenue</td>
<td>$500,000</td>
<td>$1,500,000</td>
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### State Mental Health Institutes
DHS Operates the Mendota Mental Health Institute in Madison and the Winnebago Mental Health Institute near Oshkosh. These facilities provide psychiatric services to adults, adolescents, and children who are either civilly-committed or are forensic patients committed as a result of a criminal proceeding. Mendota operates two units at the Mendota Juvenile Treatment Center that have the capacity to serve 29 adolescent males from Wisconsin's juvenile correctional facility that’s behavioral and treatment needs exceed the resources available at that facility.37

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<tr>
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<th>Mendota Mental Health (total budget)</th>
<th>Winnebago (total budget)</th>
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<td>Mendota Mental Health (total budget)</td>
<td>$78.7 million</td>
<td>$58.6 million</td>
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36 IBID, p. 12  
37 IBID, p. 26
As part of 2015 Act 55, and effective January 1, 2016, the Family Support Program funding was merged with the portion of COP funding allocated to children to form CCOP. CCOP provides supports and services to children living at home or in the community who have one or more of the following long-term disabilities: developmental disabilities, physical disabilities or severe emotional disturbance.\textsuperscript{38}

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<tr>
<th><strong>Children's Community Options Program (CCOP)</strong></th>
<th>\textsuperscript{38}Bentzen, Alexandra, Services for Persons with Developmental Disabilities, Information Paper 47, Wisconsin Legislative Fiscal Bureau, January 2017, p. 13</th>
<th><strong>$9,025,900</strong></th>
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<tr>
<td>Birth to 3 Program (2015)</td>
<td>Serves children under 3 years of age who have developmental delays and disabilities.\textsuperscript{39}</td>
<td><strong>$40,847,205</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td>Federal Part C Allocation</td>
<td>$5,923,328</td>
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<td>State GPR</td>
<td>$5,709,654</td>
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<tr>
<td>Medicaid (estimated)</td>
<td>$9,059,296</td>
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<tr>
<td>Community Aids</td>
<td>$4,460,645</td>
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<tr>
<td>Parental Cost Share</td>
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<tr>
<td>Private Insurance</td>
<td>$2,773,801</td>
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<tr>
<td>Other</td>
<td>$612,806</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Title V</strong></td>
<td>Regional Centers for Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs\textsuperscript{40}</td>
<td><strong>$1,218,526</strong></td>
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## Department of Public Instruction (DPI) Financial Table

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<td><strong>Grants to Local Educational Agencies (LEAs) – Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) - Title I (2016)</strong></td>
<td>Supplements state and local funding for low-achieving children, especially in high-poverty schools. The program finances the additional support and learning opportunities often required to help disadvantaged students progress along with their classmates.(^{41})</td>
<td>$216,376,319</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>School Improvement Programs – Title I</strong></td>
<td>Four percent of the Title I allocation is reserved for school improvement activities.</td>
<td>$6,400,350</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>State Agency Program – Migrant – Title I</strong></td>
<td>Title I migrant education is a federally-funded program that assists selected local school districts in providing supplemental education services needed by migratory children.(^{42})</td>
<td>$627,345</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>State Agency Program – Neglected</strong></td>
<td>Federally Neglected and Delinquent funds are provided to assist at-risk, neglected, delinquent, and incarcerated youth so that they may have the same opportunities as students in other Title I institutional programs.(^{43})</td>
<td>$814,785</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Homeless Children and Youth Education</strong></td>
<td>Implements the McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Assistance Act to assure homeless children and unaccompanied youth have access to public schools programs.(^{44})</td>
<td>$1,0006,643</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Special Education</strong></td>
<td>Special education is provided by school districts, either independently or through cooperative arrangements with other districts, cooperative educational service agencies (CESAs), and County Children with Disabilities Education Boards (CCDEBs). The state reimburses a portion of the costs for educating and transporting pupils enrolled in special education, including school age parent programs.(^{45})</td>
<td>$368,939,100</td>
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\(^{41}\) [https://www2.ed.gov/about/overview/budget/statetables/18stbystate.pdf](https://www2.ed.gov/about/overview/budget/statetables/18stbystate.pdf) (2017)

\(^{42}\) Dpi.wi.gov/migrant

\(^{43}\) Dpi.wi.gov/neglected-delinquent

\(^{44}\) Dpi.wi.gov/homeless

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<td><strong>High-Cost Special Education Aid</strong></td>
<td>Additional aid can be provided if the applicant incurred, in the previous school year, more than $30,000 of non-administrative costs for providing special education and related services to a child, assuming those costs were not eligible for reimbursement under the state Special Education and School-age Parent Program, the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, or the federal Medicaid program.</td>
<td>$8,500,000</td>
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<td><strong>Supplemental Special Education Aid</strong></td>
<td>Aid to school districts meeting the following criteria in the prior year: 1) per pupil revenue limit authority below the statewide average; 2) special education expenditures as a percentage of total district expenditures above 16%; and 3) membership is less than 2,000 pupils. A district may receive either supplemental special education aid or high costs special education aid in a given year, but not both.</td>
<td>$1,750,000</td>
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<td><strong>Per Pupil Aid</strong></td>
<td>A sum sufficient per pupil aid appropriation was established in 2013 Act 20. Each school district received a $75 per pupil aid payment in 2013 - 14 and a $150 per pupil payment in 2014 - 15 and each year thereafter.</td>
<td>$210,992,800</td>
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<td><strong>Student Achievement Guarantee in Education (SAGE)</strong></td>
<td>The SAGE program awards five-year grants to school districts where at least 50% of at least one school’s population is made up of low-income pupils. School districts must do the following in each SAGE school: 1) Reduce each class size to 18 pupils for every one teacher, or 30 pupils to two teachers in the applicable grades; 2) Keep the school open every day for extended hours and collaborate with community organizations to make educational and recreational opportunities as well as community and social services available in the school to all district residents; 3) Provide a rigorous academic curriculum designed to improve academic achievement; and 4) Create staff development and accountability programs that provide training for new staff members, encourage employee collaboration, and require professional development plans and performance evaluations. 425 schools in 305 districts participated with approximately $2,027 paid per eligible student (2013 - 2014).</td>
<td>$109,184,500</td>
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<td><strong>SAGE Debt Service</strong></td>
<td>If a school board, other than Milwaukee Public Schools, passed a referendum and has received DPI approval prior to June 30, 2001, it is eligible for state aid equal to 20% of debt service costs associated with SAGE building costs. Eleven school districts participated in 2014 - 15.</td>
<td>$133,700</td>
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<td><strong>Pupil Transportation</strong></td>
<td>School districts required by state law to furnish transportation services to public and private school pupils enrolled in regular education programs, including summer school, are eligible to receive categorical aid.</td>
<td>$23,954,000</td>
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<td><strong>High-Cost Transportation Aid</strong></td>
<td>A district is eligible for aid if per pupil transportation costs (based on audited information from the previous fiscal year) exceed 150% of the statewide average per pupil cost.</td>
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<td><strong>Sparsity Aid</strong></td>
<td>Created for school districts meeting the following criteria: 1) School district membership in the prior year of less than 725 pupils; 2) Population density of less than ten pupils per square mile of the district’s area; and 3) At least 20% of school district membership qualifies for free or reduced-priced lunch. 133 districts participated in 2014 - 15.</td>
<td>$17,674,000</td>
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<td><strong>Bilingual-Bicultural Aid</strong></td>
<td>School districts are required to provide special classes to students of limited-English proficiency if ten or more LEP pupils are in a language group in grades K - 3, or 20 or more in grades 4 - 8 or 9 - 12. Fifty-two school districts participated in 2013 - 14.</td>
<td>$8,589,800</td>
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<td><strong>Tuition Payments</strong></td>
<td>The state reimburses the cost of educating children who live where there is no parental property tax base support.</td>
<td>$8,242,900</td>
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<td><strong>Head Start Supplement</strong></td>
<td>Provide a supplement to the federal Head Start Program. Federal funding in Wisconsin was an estimated $118.9 million in federal fiscal year 2014 -15. Forty-one grantees including five school districts and three CESAs.</td>
<td>$6,264,100</td>
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### Educator Effectiveness Grants
Provide reimbursements to participating schools districts for expenses associated with system development, training, software, support, resources, and ongoing refinement, or for those districts using an approved alternative evaluation process, to fund development and implementation of the equivalent process. Districts receive a payment of $80 for each teacher, principal, or other licensed educator.\(^{57}\)

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<td>Educational Effectiveness</td>
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### School Lunch
The state makes payments to school districts and private schools for the following: 1) to partially match the federal contribution under the national school lunch program that provides free or reduced price meals to low-income children; 2) to support the cost of reduced price meals served to the elderly; 3) to reimburse the cost of milk provided to low-income children in preschool through fifth grade in schools not participating in the federal special milk program; and 4) to provide a per meal reimbursement for school breakfast programs.\(^{58}\)

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<td>School Lunch</td>
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### County Children with Disabilities Boards
Fiscally independent CCDEBs receive state aid if they fund the local share of their educational programs through the county property tax levy.\(^{59}\)

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<td>County Children with...</td>
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### School Breakfast
Funding is used to provide a per meal reimbursement of $0.15 for each breakfast served under the federal School Breakfast Program.\(^{60}\)

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### Peer Review and Mentoring
CESAs may apply to DPI for a grant to provide technical assistance, training, peer review, and mentoring for teachers who are licensed by or have been issued a professional teaching permit by the State Superintendent. 20% matching funds or in-kind services are required.\(^{61}\)

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<td>Peer Review and Mentoring</td>
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<td>$1,606,700</td>
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### Four-Year-Old Kindergarten
Two year grants to implement new four-year-old kindergarten programs. Eight school districts participated in 2013 - 14.\(^{62}\)

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<td>Four-Year-Old Kindergarten</td>
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<td>School Day Milk</td>
<td>School districts may be reimbursed for the cost of milk provided to low-income children in preschool through fifth grade in schools that do not participate in the federal special milk program.</td>
<td>$617,100</td>
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<td>Aid for Transportation – Open Enrollment</td>
<td>A child with disabilities requiring transportation under his or her individual education plan and aid for families who cannot afford the cost of transportation for pupils enrolled in classes at other educational institutions.63</td>
<td>$434,200</td>
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<tr>
<td>Aid for Cooperative Educational Service Agencies</td>
<td>Aid is provided for the administrative cost of each of the 12 CESAs. School districts match.64</td>
<td>$237,200</td>
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<td>Gifted and Talented</td>
<td>Aid is provided annually as a grant program to provide gifted and talented pupils with services and activities not ordinarily provided in a regular school program.65</td>
<td>$237,200</td>
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<tr>
<td>Supplemental Aid</td>
<td>Schools meeting criteria can apply to DPI for equalization aid. One school district participated in 2014 - 15.66</td>
<td>$100,000</td>
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<td>Aid for Transportation – Youth Options</td>
<td>Allows any 11th or 12th grade public school student to enroll in courses at a postsecondary institution for high school or postsecondary credit...67</td>
<td>$17,400</td>
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<tr>
<td>Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) grants</td>
<td>Grant funding for districts engaging in innovative science, technology, engineering, and mathematical education projects. 25% matching funds are required.68</td>
<td>$250,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse (AODA) – Program Revenue Funded</td>
<td>Provides block grants to address the problem of alcohol and other drug abuse among school-aged children. Program revenue from the penalty assessment surcharge funds these grants. 52 school districts and 4 CESAs in 2013 - 14.69</td>
<td>$1,284,700</td>
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Tribal Family Services’ Financial Table

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<td><strong>Family Services Program</strong></td>
<td>Jointly administered by Department of Health Services and the Department of Children and Families. Tribes may use funds from both departments to support tribal staff that provides integrated services to families.(^{70})</td>
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<td>$2,027,000</td>
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<td>General Purpose Revenue</td>
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<td>$1,271,900</td>
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<td>Title IV-B sub-part 2</td>
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<td>$408,700</td>
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<tr>
<td>Federal Community Services Block Grant</td>
<td>Funding can be used for domestic abuse, child welfare, self-sufficiency, teen parenting, and childcare. Other funding must be used for: 1) Adolescent pregnancy prevention and parenting skills; 2) child respite care; 3) permanency for children in out-of-home care; 4) family preservation and support services; 5) empowerment for low-income individuals, families and communities to overcome the effects of poverty; 6) domestic abuse intervention, prevention, and education; 7) improve family functioning.</td>
<td>$346,400</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>DPI Allocation</strong></td>
<td>Tribal Language Revitalization Grants - PR Funded These grants are funded from tribal gaming program revenue transferred from DOA(^{71})</td>
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<td>$222,800</td>
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<td><strong>Child Care and Development Funds</strong></td>
<td>The federal child care and development block grant provides a combination of discretionary and entitlement funds for child care services for low-income families and to improve the quality and supply of child care for all families.</td>
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<td>$1,800,000</td>
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### Discretionary Grants Financial Table

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<td><strong>SAMHSA Grant Awards</strong>&lt;sup&gt;21&lt;/sup&gt;</td>
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<tr>
<td>Wisconsin Department of Children and Families</td>
<td>Madison</td>
<td>10/17 – 9/22</td>
<td>Increase availability, accessibility and coordination of trauma-specific treatment on Milwaukee and Racine Counties for families in the child welfare system or at risk of entering the system.</td>
<td>$1,800,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Wisconsin Department of Health Services</td>
<td>Madison</td>
<td></td>
<td>Cooperative Agreements for Adolescent and Transitional Aged Youth Treatment Implementation; combination of infrastructure and direct treatment to improve treatment for adolescents (12-18) and/or transitional aged youth (16 – 25) with substance use disorders (SUD) and mental health challenges.</td>
<td>$1,800,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Milwaukee Health Department</td>
<td>Milwaukee</td>
<td>10/16 – 9/21</td>
<td>Assist high-risk youth and their families and promote resilience and equity in communities.</td>
<td>1,000,000/yr.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Dryhootch</td>
<td>Milwaukee</td>
<td>09/14 – 09/17</td>
<td>Provide peer support to veterans and their families.</td>
<td>$100,000/yr.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Appleton School District</td>
<td>Appleton</td>
<td>09/14 - 09/16</td>
<td>Certify 30 Youth Mental Health First Aid instructors; train 1,200 adults.</td>
<td>$100,000/yr.</td>
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<td>Lac Du Flambeau Band of Chippewa</td>
<td>Lac du Flambeau</td>
<td>09/14-09/17</td>
<td>Expand substance abuse treatment capacity in Tribal Healing to Wellness Courts and Juvenile Drug Courts.</td>
<td>$290,078</td>
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<tr>
<td>Neenah Joint School District</td>
<td>Neenah</td>
<td>09/14 – 09/16</td>
<td>Focus on 12-18 year olds using adults trained in Youth Mental Health First Aid.</td>
<td>$100,000/yr.</td>
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<tr>
<td>United Community Center, Inc</td>
<td>Milwaukee</td>
<td>09/14 – 09/17</td>
<td>Provide trauma-informed, gender-responsive, culturally competent services within a family-centered treatment model for 126 Milwaukee County pregnant and post-partum women (primarily Hispanic) with substance uses disorders. Partnership with Sixteenth Street Community Health Center.</td>
<td>$524,000/yr.</td>
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<td>Milwaukee Public Schools</td>
<td>Milwaukee</td>
<td>09/14 - 09/16</td>
<td>Train 410 residents of the city of Milwaukee in Youth Mental Health First Aid including staff from Milwaukee Public Schools, Milwaukee Police Dept., Rogers Behavioral Health System, Boys and Girls Club, United Neighborhood Centers increasing the capacity of the community to detect and respond to mental health issues among school-aged youth.</td>
<td>$100,000/yr.</td>
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<td>Fond du Lac School District</td>
<td>Fond du Lac</td>
<td>09/14 - 09/16</td>
<td>Certify 8 trainers in Youth Mental Health First Aid; build on existing Mental Health Services Steering Committee.</td>
<td>$100,000/yr.</td>
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<td>Wisconsin Family Ties</td>
<td>Madison</td>
<td>09/15 – 09/16</td>
<td>Develop statewide peer network for recovery and resiliency.</td>
<td>$100,000/yr.</td>
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<td>Wisconsin Family Ties</td>
<td>Madison</td>
<td>07/13 – 06/16</td>
<td>Enhance the capacity and capability of families to drive the transformation of the children’s mental health system of Wisconsin.</td>
<td>$70,000/yr.</td>
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<td>County of Barron</td>
<td>Barron</td>
<td>09/09 – 09/19</td>
<td>Prevent and reduce youth substance use.</td>
<td>$125,000/yr.</td>
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<td>Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa</td>
<td>Bayfield</td>
<td>09/14 - 09/17</td>
<td>Provide system of care Maamawi (Together) Red Cliff Circles of Care Program.</td>
<td>$399,998/yr.</td>
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<td>Edgerton Hospital and Health Services</td>
<td>Edgerton</td>
<td>09/09 – 09/19</td>
<td>Prevent and reduce youth substance use.</td>
<td>$125,000/yr.</td>
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<td>Northeastern WI Area Health Ed Center</td>
<td>Manitowoc</td>
<td>09/14 – 09/19</td>
<td>Prevent and reduce youth substance use.</td>
<td>$125,000/yr.</td>
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<td>Menominee of WI Indian Tribal Council</td>
<td>Keshena</td>
<td>09/14 - 09/19</td>
<td>Prevent youth suicide.</td>
<td>$195,859/yr.</td>
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<td>Marshfield Clinic Research Foundation</td>
<td>Marshfield</td>
<td>09/14 – 09/19</td>
<td>Prevent and reduce youth substance use.</td>
<td>$125,000/yr.</td>
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<td>Winnebago Co Health Dept.</td>
<td>Oshkosh</td>
<td>09/14 – 09/19</td>
<td>Prevent and reduce youth substance use.</td>
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<td><strong>University of WI</strong></td>
<td>Eau Claire</td>
<td>09/14-09/17</td>
<td>Prevent suicide (Hope Inspires); provide info on mental health promotion and suicide prevention resources, class and speakers.</td>
<td>$101,185/yr</td>
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<tr>
<td>City of Janesville</td>
<td>Janesville</td>
<td>09/15-09/18</td>
<td>Train 1.6% of the adult population in Mental Health First Aid.</td>
<td>$125,000/yr</td>
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<td>Wisconsin Dept. of Health Services –</td>
<td>Madison</td>
<td>09/14-09/19</td>
<td>Target youth and young adults aged 16 – 25 who are at risk for, or experiencing mental health problems in Jefferson and Outagamie Counties.</td>
<td>$1,037,360/yr</td>
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<td>Project YES!</td>
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<td>Wisconsin Dept. of Public Instruction –</td>
<td>Madison</td>
<td>09/14-09/19</td>
<td>1) Make schools safer; 2) Improve school climates; 3) Increase capacity to identify warning signs of mental health problems among children and make appropriate referrals to mental health care; and 4) Increase capacity of the state and local education agencies to connect children and youth with behavioral health issues with needed services.</td>
<td>$1,950,000/yr</td>
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<td>Project Aware</td>
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<tr>
<td>Wisconsin Dept. of Public Instruction –</td>
<td>Madison</td>
<td>09/13-09/17</td>
<td>Create infrastructure to improve social and emotional skills, enhance a positive sense of self, increase family, school and community connections, address behavioral and mental health needs, and create a safe and violence free school environment.</td>
<td>$2,214,000/yr</td>
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<td>Safe Schools/Healthy Students</td>
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<td>West Allis - Milwaukee</td>
<td>West Allis</td>
<td>09/09-09/19</td>
<td>Prevent and reduce youth substance use.</td>
<td>$125,000/yr</td>
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<td>Berlin Area School District</td>
<td>Berlin</td>
<td>09/14-09/16</td>
<td>Certify 8 Youth Mental Health First Aid trainers; train 250 adults to recognize the signs and symptoms of mental health problems; connect children with services.</td>
<td>$100,000/yr</td>
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<td>School Dist of McFarland</td>
<td>McFarland</td>
<td>09/14-09/16</td>
<td>Provide Mental Health First Aid and Youth Mental Health First Aid in 6 local educational agencies; train 8 additional trainers for a total of 16; use a communities-train-communities approach.</td>
<td>$95,256/yr</td>
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<td>Arbor Place, Inc.</td>
<td>Menominee</td>
<td>09/15-09/18</td>
<td>Train 400 adults on Mental Health First Aid.</td>
<td>$125,000/yr</td>
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<td>Outreach Community Health Centers</td>
<td>Milwaukee</td>
<td>09/15-09/18</td>
<td>Train 30 instructors to provide Mental Health First Aid training to at least 5,625 other adults who engage with transition-aged youth.</td>
<td>$116,587/yr</td>
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<tr>
<td>Wauwatosa School District</td>
<td>Wauwatosa</td>
<td>09/15 – 09/18</td>
<td>Certify 12 trainers in Youth Mental Health First Aid and conduct 18 workshops over three years training a minimum of 360 adults who regularly interact with youth in the community.</td>
<td>$125,000/yr.</td>
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<td>Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation Poverty Research Center</td>
<td>Madison</td>
<td>09/11 - 9/16</td>
<td>Continued research and evaluation of important social policy issues associated with the nature, causes, correlates and effects of income dynamics, poverty, individual and family functioning, and child well-being.</td>
<td>$1,299,680/yr.</td>
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<td>Campus Suicide</td>
<td>Madison</td>
<td>08/12 - 07/15</td>
<td>Implement campus/community Suicide Prevention Partnership Council; implement evidence-based practices to reach out to high risk populations.</td>
<td>$102,000/yr.</td>
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<td>Statewide Family Network Grants</td>
<td>Madison</td>
<td>07/13 - 06/16</td>
<td>Transform children's mental health system; children to 18 and young adults to age 26.</td>
<td>$70,000/yr.</td>
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<td>DHHS Office of Adolescent Health</td>
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<td>ACF Office of Family Assistance&lt;sup&gt;73&lt;/sup&gt;</td>
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<td>Healthy Marriage and Responsible Fatherhood Grants/ New Pathways for Fathers and Families</td>
<td>Milwaukee</td>
<td>10/15 – 9/20</td>
<td>Encourage fathers to be present in their children's lives.</td>
<td>$2,000,000</td>
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<td>Indianhead Community Action Agency</td>
<td>Ladysmith</td>
<td>Enhance and support early learning settings; provide new, full-day comprehensive services that meet the needs of working families and prepare children for the transition into preschool.</td>
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<td>Dane Cty Parent Council, Inc.</td>
<td>Madison</td>
<td>Enhance and support early learning settings; provide new, full-day comprehensive services that meet the needs of working families and prepare children for the transition into preschool.</td>
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<td>Acelero, Inc.</td>
<td>Milwaukee</td>
<td>Enhance and support early learning settings; provide new, full-day comprehensive services that meet the needs of working families and prepare children for the transition into preschool.</td>
<td>$1,200,000</td>
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<td>Next Door Foundation</td>
<td>Milwaukee</td>
<td>Enhance and support early learning settings; provide new, full-day comprehensive services that meet the needs of working families and prepare children for the transition into preschool.</td>
<td>$4,800,000</td>
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<td>Native Languages – Preservation and Maintenance</td>
<td>Bayfield</td>
<td>Add Ojibwe language immersion to the Red Cliff Early Childhood Center’s Head Start program and into the Kindergarten classroom at the Bayfield School to provide a foundation for language preservation and revitalization for current and future families within the Red Cliff community.</td>
<td>$272,057/yr.</td>
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<td>State Personal Responsibility Education Program (PREP)</td>
<td>Madison</td>
<td>Educate young people on abstinence and contraception to prevent pregnancy and sexually transmitted infections, including HIV/AIDS.</td>
<td>$932,700</td>
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<td>Title V State Abstinence Grant</td>
<td>Madison</td>
<td>Educate youth on abstinence; provide mentoring and counseling targeting youth in the foster care system and who are homeless.</td>
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<td>Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems Grant</td>
<td>Madison</td>
<td>08/13 – 7/16</td>
<td>Connect early childhood systems and concurrent trauma and toxic stress initiatives to enhance skills of all early childhood system providers who touch the lives of very young children and their families; support evidence-based trauma interventions in 3 pilot communities.</td>
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<td>Eliminating Disparities in Perinatal Health</td>
<td>Lac du Flambeau</td>
<td>07/01 – 3/19</td>
<td>Address infant mortality rates of Wisconsin Native Americans by increasing access to care through collaboration with tribal and non-tribal health care systems.</td>
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<td>Wisconsin Pediatric Medical Home</td>
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<td>09/14 – 08/17</td>
<td>Provide children and youth with special health care needs with integrated care through family centered medical homes.</td>
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<td>Department of Education</td>
<td>Madison</td>
<td>10/15 – 09/19</td>
<td>Identify proven practices teachers can use to narrow gaps in student opportunity and achievement levels across all racial and ethnic backgrounds, and family income levels.</td>
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<td>Race to the Top Early Learning Challenge</td>
<td>Madison</td>
<td>1/13 – 12/16</td>
<td>Focus on improving young children’s early learning and programming.</td>
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75 https://mchdata.hrsa.gov/dgisreports/Abstract/AbstractSummary.aspx?tbKeyword=Wisconsin&rbKeyword=Exact&SearchKeywordsOnly=Search
76 http://findit.ed.gov/search?utf8=%E2%9C%93&affiliate=ed.gov&query=Wisconsin
| School Climate Transformation Grants Berlin Area Schools | Berlin | 2014 - 2018 | Connect children, youth and families to appropriate services and supports; improve conditions for learning and behavioral outcomes for school-aged youths; and increase awareness of and the ability to respond to mental health issues among school-aged youths. | $231,489 |
| School Climate Transformation Grants Appleton Area Schools | Appleton | 2014 - 2018 | Connect children, youth and families to appropriate services and supports; improve conditions for learning and behavioral outcomes for school-aged youths; and increase awareness of and the ability to respond to mental health issues among school-aged youths. | $660,354/yr. |
| School Climate Transformation Grants Wausau School District | Wausau | 2014 - 2018 | Connect children, youth and families to appropriate services and supports; improve conditions for learning and behavioral outcomes for school-aged youths; and increase awareness of and the ability to respond to mental health issues among school-aged youths. | $747,030/yr. |
| School Climate Transformation Grants State of Wisconsin - DPI | Madison | 2014 - 2018 | Support Positive Behavioral Intervention and Supports, develop a school-based mental health training, and enhance supports for social and emotional development in 50 school-community teams selected over two years. | $578,521/yr. |
| Project Prevent Grants | Milwaukee | 2014 - 2018 | Implement the Resilient Kids’ program to build capacity in both knowledge and resilience in children, families, community and staff that will lead to decreased violence. | $459,586/yr. |

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<td>School Emergency Management Grants State of Wisconsin – DPI</td>
<td>Madison</td>
<td>2014 – 2015</td>
<td>Expand the capacity to assist school districts in developing and implementing high-quality school emergency operations plans.(^80)</td>
<td>$472,509</td>
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<td>National Institute of Justice(^81)</td>
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<td>Wisconsin School Violence and Bullying Prevention Study State of Wisconsin - DPI</td>
<td>Madison</td>
<td>2015 - 2018</td>
<td>Examine the impact of Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports in combination with a comprehensive bullying prevention program in middle schools.</td>
<td>$858,187</td>
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<td>Medical College of Wisconsin(^82)</td>
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<td>Born Learning</td>
<td>Stevens Point</td>
<td>January 1, 2017 – June 30, 2019</td>
<td>Create a change in institutional policy and protocols within each targeted program that will result in a county-wide Social Service Triage System, providing coordinated screening, referrals, and intervention for at-risk families of children prenatally to age five. The five partners will engage with the community in key activities to successfully implement and disseminate the proposed change through forums, surveys/interviews, meetings, social media, print publications, and radio programs. Collective alignment with required partner reporting is reflected in the system change, creating collaborative referral processes, sustainable training, and collection and analysis of data to measure impact.</td>
<td>$350,000</td>
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<td>Unscrambling Data for Urban and Rural Opioid Resiliency</td>
<td>Milwaukee/Sauk County/Wood County</td>
<td>January 1, 2017 – December 31, 2018</td>
<td>Automated, consistent data integration, analysis, interpretation of DOJ, OEM, and MEO information to develop and implement thoughtful, measurable policy to reduce opioid overdoses. This change strategy encompasses all steps in the public health model.</td>
<td>$298,754</td>
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<td>Transforming Primary Prevention Systems to Build Family Protective Factors Kenosha Co - CANPB</td>
<td>Kenosha</td>
<td>July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2019</td>
<td>Prevent or mitigate the impact of toxic stress on families by embedding the Protective Factors Framework within policies and practices throughout Kenosha County’s voluntary prevention programs offered to meet a wide variety of needs including family support, parenting skills development, household management, children’s special healthcare needs, substance abuse services, mental health services and homelessness stabilization.</td>
<td>$298,600</td>
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### Gathering Resources and Aligning Community Engagement (GRACE) Hub

**Location:** La Crosse  
**Dates:** July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2019

Meet the identified social determinants of health by creating a system to connect individuals and families to available resources. “Quick-Start Guide” developed by Community Care Coordination Learning Network/Pathways Community HUB Institute helps identify at-risk populations, address risk factors with evidence-based pathways and tie payment to positive outcomes.  

**Amount:** $294,901

### Health Equity Alliance of Rock County (HEAR)

**Location:** Janesville  
**Dates:** March – September 2017

Develop a storytelling report through the HEAR Community Engagement Project to ensure that community voices are reflected in future health needs assessments, priority setting processes, and programming to address the health needs of all Rock County residents.  

**Amount:** $10,000

### Well Washington Think Well and INVEST Coalition

**Location:** West Bend  
**Dates:** March – August 2017

Conduct a gap analysis to determine existing mental health service gaps in Washington and Ozaukee Counties to inform the development and implemental of a mental health friendly communities model.  

**Amount:** $10,000

### Rogers InHealth/WISE and Wisconsin Safe & Healthy Schools (WISH) Center

**Location:** Milwaukee  
**Dates:** March 2017 – February 2018

Develop a community/school collaboration model for implementation and expansion of the Honest, Open, Proud (HOP) program statewide to empower Wisconsin youth to make strategic decisions on whether and how to disclose mental health challenges.  

**Amount:** $49,181
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<td>Network Evaluation</td>
<td>Madison</td>
<td>June 2017 – June 2018</td>
<td>Share existing tools for evaluating health improvement collaboratives and work together to adapt the tools for the mentee partners and develop a toolkit to share with other partnerships for evaluating collaboratives and networks as a key mechanism to health promotion and improvement efforts.</td>
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<td>Fond du Lac Area YScreen Program/Beaver Dam Unified School District</td>
<td>Fond du Lac</td>
<td>July 2017- June 2018</td>
<td>Collaborate to improve the overall emotional health of youth by adapting Fond du Lac’s process for developing and implementing the YScreen Program to build capacity to implement universal screening practices, expand referral networks and develop the ability to evaluate outcomes in Beaver Dam and Dodge County.</td>
<td>$50,000</td>
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<td>Better Together</td>
<td>La Crosse County</td>
<td>July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2022</td>
<td>The La Crosse Mental Health Consortium facilitates several collaborative projects to improve the health of the population in the area.</td>
<td>$1,000,000</td>
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<td>Building a Behavioral Health System to Reduce Reported Depression Among 6th – 12th Grade Students</td>
<td>Marathon County</td>
<td>July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2022</td>
<td>Reduce reported depression in 6th-12th grade students in Marathon County by 5%.</td>
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<td>Creating Mental Wellness through Systems Change</td>
<td>Brown, Kewanee, Door, Oconto and Shawano Counties</td>
<td>$999,960</td>
<td>Three community-wide collective impact initiatives will address the root causes of poverty.</td>
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<td>Healthier Community Action Team Behavioral Health Project</td>
<td>Lac du Flambeau Reservation; Vilas County</td>
<td>$1,000,000</td>
<td>Decrease excessive drinking by 10% among adults, age 18 -44.</td>
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<td>Improving Children’s Mental Health Through School and Community Partnership</td>
<td>Racine County</td>
<td>$995,646</td>
<td>Enhance the social and emotional development of 3rd – 5th grade elementary school students in Racine Unified School District on the Panorama Social Emotional Learning student survey in the areas of emotional regulation and social awareness.</td>
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<td>Mental Health Matters: Promoting Resilience for Chippewa Valley Youth</td>
<td>Chippewa and Eau Claire Counties</td>
<td>$1,000,000</td>
<td>Reduce by 15% the number of middle and high school age youth who are at risk for depression.</td>
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<td>Milwaukee School, Home, and Community Collaboration to Improve Youth Mental Health</td>
<td>Milwaukee County</td>
<td>July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2022</td>
<td>Reduce the office discipline referral rate in Milwaukee Public Schools for children in Pre-Kindergarten through 6th grade by 25%.</td>
<td>$999,839</td>
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<td>Healthy Teen Minds</td>
<td>Winnebago, Outagamie, and Calumet Counties</td>
<td>July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2022</td>
<td>Reduce by 20% the number of students in grades 7 – 12 who are at risk for or who are experiencing depression.</td>
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<td>Southwestern Wisconsin Behavioral Health Partnership</td>
<td>Grant, Green, Iowa, Lafayette and Richland Counties</td>
<td>July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2022</td>
<td>Reduce the rate of people experiencing 14+ days of poor mental health by 10%.</td>
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<td>Enhancing Behavioral Health in Northern Wisconsin through Innovative Collaboration and Outreach</td>
<td>Ashland, Bayfield, Iron, Douglas, Sawyer, and Washburn Counties</td>
<td>July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2022</td>
<td>Reduce the number of crisis calls about behavioral health in the four counties by 30%.</td>
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| Maternal/Child Mental Health: Identifying and Addressing Root Causes of Behavioral Concerns in Children | Green Bay         | January, 2016 – December 2017 | Improve service delivery for mental health diagnosis and care of children and mothers by creating common child behavioral and maternal post-partum depression screening processes, resulting in early detection and improved access to care. | $191,044  
Plus $91,959 from RTTT-ELC |
Plus $105,000 fees from participating organizations |
| Healthier Children Through a Shared Service Network Supporting ASQ Screening/Early Intervention | Monroe and Vernon Counties | January 1, 2018 – June 30, 2021 | The Kickapoo region is seeking systems change to increase child care availability and provider training. The Shared Resource Network will support screening, data-based decision making and early intervention for children. | $399,808 |
| Gathering Resources and Aligning Community Engagement (GRACE Hub)       | La Crosse County  | July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2020  | Implement a system to bridge the gap between health care delivery and the social service sector for cost savings, improved population health outcomes, and increased client experience and engagement. | $294,901 |
| Transforming Primary Prevention Systems to Build Family Protective Factors | Kenosha County    | July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2019  | Embed strengths-based, evidence informed policies and practices throughout primary prevention systems in Kenosha County to build family Protective Factors, optimize child development and address causes of child maltreatment. | $298,600 |