

Dane County Community Justice Council

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SUBCOMMITTEE

HISTORY

The Subcommittee started in 2019. Community members were added with 2022 Ordinance Amendment 28.



MISSION

The subcommittee focuses on the intersection of behavioral health conditions and the criminal justice system in Dane County by using evidence-based, innovative, and collaborative policy and program solutions.

MAJOR INITIATIVES



Worked with National Association of Counties (NACo) to launch the Familiar Faces Initiative. Familiar Faces refer to people who are frequent utilizers of multiple systems who are experiencing serious mental illness.



Created a Lived Experience Survey to ascertain best practices for targeted interventions for criminal justice impacted persons experiencing behavioral health issues.



Conducted the Sequential Intercept Model (SIM) Mapping to assist in identifying resources and gaps in services for vulnerable populations and divert people from the justice system into treatment.

Dane County ordinance 15.46 specifies that the Behavioral Health Subcommittee shall:

- Review the intersection of Behavioral Health and criminal justice
- Analyze data and set goals for criminal justice involvement reduction
- Investigate local and national best practices regarding crisis continuum of care
- Report quarterly to the Community Justice Council

MEMBERS

District Attorney* Corporation Counsel* Presiding Judge* Sheriff*

Office of the Public Defender**
WI Department of Corrections**
National Alliance on Mental
Illness**

Dane County Human Services**
Madison Police Department**
Public Safety Communications**
Chief of Chief of Police*
One public member who has behavioral health expertise.

- * or designee
- ** representative

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