



Wisconsin Recovery Implementation Task Force • 1 West Wilson Street, Room 951 • PO Box 7851 • Madison, WI 53707-7852

## Recovery Implementation Task Force

**Friday, July 20, 2018**

9:00 pm - 3:30pm

Prairie Oak State Office Building  
Department of Agriculture, Trade, and Consumer Protection  
2811 Agriculture Drive  
Madison, WI 53718

### **Task Force Minutes:**

#### **Members Attending:**

Maria Hanson, Cory Flynn, Michael Conwill, Lalena Lampe, Joan Sternwise, Corbi Stephens, Joann Stephens, Wendy Koch, Megan Sulikowski, Danielle Graham-Heine, Chrissy Barnard, Kris Ball, Shelly Monroe, Amy Payne, Donna Riemer, Elizabeth Vieira, Anneka Brainard, Val Levno, Rose Barber-Minano, Theresa Kuehl.

**Guests Attending:** None Listed

**Announcements:** WI Peer Recovery Conference November 1 and 2 at Holiday Inn in Stevens Point. Registration going live in August. Scholarships available due by August 24. MH/SU conference is October 17 and 18. Crisis conference Sept 20 & 21. Excellence in Healthcare conference is Sept 11 & 12. WI Voices for Recovery, Oct 26 and 27 is a recovery coach conference- looking for presenters. Recovery month is September and there are events going on across WI including a rally in Madison. Dane Co TIC community summit is Nov 16<sup>th</sup>. NAMI WI having 12<sup>th</sup> annual healing arts show in October. Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday this week was the Parent PS training!! Expect trainings to start in September. There is a CPS training in Superior and Hudson coming up! Exciting in the farther north. Lalena has been working on financial wellness stuff and presented it last night. It's available if people want to see it. Maria and Donna have a wellness presentation they have been working on. Val Levno reported that there are multiple people in Ashland area who are interested in CPS. She doesn't feel like a lone wolf on this idea any more in her community.

**Review Minutes from last:** Add Kris Ball to the minutes for May. There was a guest at May named Rhonda that needs to be added. Rose- move approve, Shelly 2<sup>nd</sup>- all approved.

**Committee Report Out:** Need a co-chair for training and education committee.

Membership: No meeting has happened but will soon. Verify that Amy Payne and Kris Ball are on the membership committee, verify they on the email list.

Program Review and Quality Enhancement: Chris is not able to be here yet. They are gathering info and prioritizing what they are doing. Val Neff is not the co-chair due to scheduling conflicts. Rose Barber is a co-chair as well.

Training and Education: Michael not able to be a co-chair anymore. Anneka is a co-chair as well but missed the past 2 meetings. She would like some assistance in doing that. March 16<sup>th</sup> was the last meeting for this committee.

**Meeting Recap:** Discussion of RITF Survey: Joann reviewed the survey questions as we don't have good internet connection. We learned that people come because they like to look at things from the big picture perspective. Nobody checked the learning from presenters- Maria asked if those activities are still of interest to members. Yes- they are. The survey only let you check 1 option and people felt the big picture was more important. The RITF needs to identify it's passion points and priorities, responding to BPTR requests is important but deciding how to influence the larger picture as well. How do we see things happening?- Create more action. Follow our mission statement more closely. Our committees should have action items with timelines that keeps things accountable and focused. We no longer have listening sessions etc. to pull in the voice of those peers not at this table. There is a general disconnect the last couple of years. Why don't we have a listening session at the major conferences? Ask people what they would like to see the RITF working on? Can we have a room at the MH/SUD conference to invite people to a listening session? GEP is also doing some listening sessions across the state. They are using the participatory decision making process. They will bring results back to the RITF. Amy- is there a list of common questions that we could share with everyone so we get similar info from different groups. What is as the MH Counsel is doing their visits at programs in WI, can there be a consumer listening session as part of that. Identify common issues going on and how the RITF might address these issues. This group needs to stay focused on peer and consumer issues. There are lots of groups that providers, counties and systems can use to work on change but the RITF is really the only group looking at statewide peer issues. The Chairs used to write formal letters to the bureau or the MH Counsel but haven't done that in a while. Consider doing a virtual listening sessions as well. They don't work for everyone but they do work for some. Barriers- the RITF has a dual purpose of responding the DHS needs and bringing peer issues and priorities forward. Can anyone from the RITF join GEP at their listening sessions? Elizabeth will send out dates and sites to this group for possible inclusion. These listening sessions are being used to build the position papers for Empowerment Days. GEP is doing Re-entry PS training the day before Empowerment Days. Lalena and Elizabeth clarified that this is not certification but additional expertise based on lived experience. Elizabeth offered to train us on participatory

decision making by attending a listening session. Some would like that to be offered at the next RITF instead of having to attend the GEP listening session.

Motion: RITF is interested in doing some listening sessions and exploring avenues for that option. Val 1<sup>st</sup>, michael 2<sup>nd</sup>. All approved.

There needs to be a way to “close the loop”, people feel that they have been taken out of the loop on some stuff and disempowered. The quality assurance process needs to be enhanced. Some feedback to the RITF included wanting to review all work of the Bureau. This would be a challenge as the BPTR works on many items that may not be of interest to peers. But, there should be communication about what BPTR is doing.

People need to consider if they can make this commitment. It’s challenging to get the work done when attendance is spotty. There was a meeting last year where only 2 people were at the last meeting prior. Building momentum is impossible when we are re-hashing this all the time. There is a number of reasons why including people having complex lives, feeling a lack of input, and feeling frustrated with BPTR direction. We need to find out passion again! The RITF used to have a specific work and goals around the development of CPSs and that has all changed. Things were most functional when there was solid direction for input. When CPS was taken away- it took our heart and we are still hurt.

Break for working lunch and committee meetings.

**Action Items (list who is doing what by what timeframe):** Action Items: Try to identify issues that are affecting your peers that are statewide issues that the RITF might want to look at for priorities.

Pull together examples of listening session questions so the group can consider a standardized list of questions. Elizabeth V. will send the GEP listening sessions questions to Lalena to share out.

Joann, Lalena & Cory will look into possible funding for some listening sessions.

Next meeting: Is the same date as the Crisis Intervention Conference.

### **Call for Agenda Items:**

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### *Recovery Implementation Task Force Mission Statement*

To transform Wisconsin mental health and substance abuse services to embody recovery, hope, dignity and empowerment throughout the lifespan, in partnership with the DHS-DCTS-BPTR.