

Hello Coalition members and community partners!

I have returned. I hope that everyone had a wonderful 4th of July, SummerFest, Bastille Days, Heal the Hood, and/or other celebrations.

July is Minority Mental Health Month and **Mental Health America** is running a **#MyStoryMyWay campaign**. We want to listen and learn from you as you help to shed light on the way diverse communities (i.e. people of color, LGBTQ+ folx, refugees, immigrants) perceive, narrate, communicate, and address mental health and mental illness. The fact is - the way in which individuals talk or don't talk about mental health and mental illness is influenced directly by the society and culture that a person is a part of. The way we talk about these issues is a learned behavior. [Click here to learn more about how you can get involved with #MyStoryMyWay!](#)

Continue to share this resource with your people and send me any news/opportunities that I can share with others.

TODAY:

- **PLEASE SHARE WITH PARENTS:** Parents make decisions about telling others about their child's mental health challenges: whether to tell, who to tell, what to say, how to say it... **Starting the Conversation (STC)** is a 4-session program that gives parents the tools to make these decisions. **Rogers InHealth** and **WISE** are studying the effectiveness of this program. Participants are eligible for \$80 in Amazon gift cards. Participants must be available **TODAY, July 25, August 1, and August 22** from **6:00-7:30 p.m.** and must have a child (ages 3-10 with mental health challenges. More information can be found in the attached flyer or by contacting Sarah Reed at 414-865-2606 or Sarah.Reed@RogersHospital.org.
- Join **Mary Jo Meyers, Director of Wisconsin Health and Human Services**, for a **listening session on Milwaukee County Birth to Three Program**. How do these services help your child? How do these services help you? What else do you need to help your child? The last session is **TONIGHT** from **5:00-6:30 p.m.** at the **Washington Park Senior Center** (4420 W. Vliet Street). Refreshments will be served. Children are welcome. Spanish translation will be available.
- **League of Women Voters of Milwaukee County** volunteers will be helping to register voters until **2:00 p.m. TODAY** at the **Milwaukee County Housing Division** (600 W Walnut). Please help spread the word and help turn out community members who are interested in registering to vote or have questions.

Super Helpful Resources

- The **Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction** has released [materials on Pre-K to Adult Social and Emotional Learning Competencies](#). These

materials are designed to provide educators and out-of-school-time youth service professionals with the essentials for implementing a comprehensive approach to SEL

- [HeadsUpGuys](#) is a comprehensive mental health resource specifically for men with depression. Includes a self-check, practical tips, and action steps.

Community Partner Request:

- **Survival Coalition of Wisconsin Disability Organizations** is conducting a **survey to learn more about transportation options** or lack of transportation options for older adults and people with disabilities across the state. The results of this survey will be used by Survival Coalition to inform policy makers and improve transportation options for older adults and people with disabilities. Please [click here](#) to complete the survey by July 30th
- The **Milwaukee Mental Health Task Force** is seeking nominations for the fifth annual **Karen Avery Award**, which recognizes an individual who has demonstrated a commitment to advancing the rights of people with disabilities and to the peer movement. This award was established to honor Karen's legacy and advocacy. **Email nominations by August 3, 2018 to barbara.beckert@drwi.org**. Information about Karen and the nomination requirements are attached. MHTF **encourages nominees with lived experience of mental illness** and nominees from Milwaukee County.

Make Your Voice Heard/Calls to Action:

- The **National Commission for Voter Justice** is holding a hearing this **Saturday, July 21, 1:00– 4:00 p.m.** at the **Milwaukee Bar Association** (424 E. Wells St.). Individuals are needed from the disability community who are willing to speak or “witness”. As a witness, you would join other Wisconsin witnesses during the State Hearing to give testimony and community input about the state of voting rights and political participation in Wisconsin and needed strategies and solutions to remove barriers and promote inclusive, accessible and robust civic engagement, as well as, your own personal experiences. **See the attached flyer for details.**
- The **Wisconsin Department of Health Services** is scheduling forum across the state to provide update on the **Children's Long-Term Support Waiver program**. The Milwaukee session will be held **August 9th from 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.** at the **Best Western Plus Milwaukee Airport Hotel** (5105 S. Howell Ave). [Registration is requested](#). Please spread the word to Milwaukee area providers, advocates, and families who may want to attend.
 - For background, the **Children's Long Term Support Waiver (CLTS)** is a Medicaid program that provides supports to children with intellectual, developmental, physical or emotional disabilities. The program is designed to provide services and supports at home and

in the community to children with disabilities or special needs. It is administered by counties. **Examples of Services:** Respite Care, In-home therapy, home modifications. **Eligibility:** Children/ youth with special needs who have a significant physical disability, developmental disability, or emotional disability. Eligibility is determined through a state required functional screen. Children also must be eligible for Medicaid (Title 19/Card Services). **Referral process for Milwaukee County:** Referrals can be made from 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM, Monday through Friday. Call Milwaukee County Disability Services at 414-289-6799 (English & Spanish)

Local Opportunities:

- **53206 Pop-Up Lots** are back on **Fridays this month**, including this **Friday the 20th at 17th and Locust**, from **2:00 to 4:30 p.m.** and **next Friday the 27th at Moody Park** (2200 W. Burleigh St) from **4:00 to 6:00 p.m.** These fun, friendly gatherings in the 53206 neighborhood are coordinated by **53206 Drug-Free Communities Project partners** as a way to connect with neighborhood residents and provide information and resources.
- **Neighborhood House of Milwaukee** and **AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin** are hosting a **Summer Slam Block Party** at **2819 W. Richardson Place** from **2:30 to 6 p.m.** on **Friday, July 27th**. There will be a performance by the Milwaukee Flyers, a DJ and music, crafts, games, free giveaways, food, STI testing and blood pressure checks.

Trainings and Conferences:

- Join the **ASQ-3/ASQ: SE-2 Workshop for Home-Visitors and Health Professionals** on **Thursday, July 26, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.** at the **Milwaukee Health Department Northwest Health Center** (7630 West Mill Road). The fee is \$30 which includes lunch. **Deadline to register is July 23** (limit of 30 participants); **register by emailing the attached form** to Darryl at ddavid@milwaukee.gov or call 414-286-8574. Ages and Stages Questionnaires (ASQ) are parent-completed development and social-emotional screeners for young children. They are easy, reliable, and cost-effective screeners to help determine if there are delays in key areas of a child's development.
- **Attached** you will find a printable list of **Home Visitation trainings** beginning within the next 3 months, a list of supervisor trainings, and instructions for using their registration system (PDS). Additional trainings can be viewed at <http://uwm.edu/mcwp/> or by searching PDS online. Pre-registration is required for trainings and must be completed through PDS (if you already had PDS prior to April, then there is a survey to complete). If you have any issues, email mcwp@uwm.edu.

- Learn about [Co-design in Collaboration - Moving from Buy In to Shared Ownership](#). Watch the pre-recorded webinar on **Thursday, July 26**. Registrants will be able to submit questions to our speakers at registration. A recording of the presentation, including Q&A, will be **emailed directly to you on July 26, 2018**. One of the most pressing collaborative challenges is to fully engage the participants around the table in the process. Too often, the collaborative effort has too few leaders and too many followers. In this webinar, Max Hardy and Liz Weaver will explore the key concepts to navigate the people and process factors of collaboration.

Job Opportunities:

- [Disability Rights Wisconsin](#) is establishing a new program: **Protection and Advocacy Program for Beneficiaries with Representative Payees**. Program staff will be conducting field reviews and educational visits, as assigned by the Social Security Administration, to verify that representative payees are using the benefits properly on behalf of the beneficiary and carrying out the responsibilities and duties correctly. Please see the job descriptions for the [Program Supervisor](#) and [Investigator](#) positions. Apply ASAP.
- [Volunteer Engagement AmeriCorps](#) at **United Way of Greater Milwaukee & Waukesha County**
- Jobs at **Neighborhood House of Milwaukee** - [TAG Employment Case Aide](#), [Lead Teacher - University of Kids Club](#), [International Learning Program Bilingual Support Specialist](#), [Early Childhood Teacher](#), and [Early Childhood Sub-Teacher/Food Service Worker](#)
- [Youth Organizer](#) at **Safe & Sound Inc.**
- [Program Director](#) at **NAMI Racine County**

Newsworthy:

- [Check out coverage](#) of today's successful **Disability Voter Registration Week** media event at **IndependenceFirst** that was hosted by the **Mental Health Task Force**.
- [Read this article](#) on how the **Family Voices of Wisconsin** care coordination training, **Coordinating Your Child's Health Care**, has been added to the National Center on Medical Home Implementation website, as a *Promising Practice*. **Coordinating Your Child's Health Care** is a training that uses tools like care mapping and a Shared Plan of Care to explain the importance of having a medical home, care coordination and integrated health care for every child.
- [The Recipe for Collaboration: Mixing People and Process](#)
- [How to Stifle Creativity and How to Release Creativity](#)