

CHIPPEWA COUNTY
HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 19, 2021
CHIPPEWA COUNTY COURTHOUSE, RM 302
7:45 AM

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Health & Human Services Board meeting was called to order at 7:46 a.m. by Chair John (Jack) Halbleib.

2. ROLL CALL

Attendee Name	Organization	Title	Status	Arrived
John Halbleib	Chippewa County	Citizen Rep (Chair)	Present	
Don Hauser	Chippewa County	District 6 (Vice-Chair)	Present	
Harold Steele	Chippewa County	District 1	Present	
Tom Thornton	Chippewa County	District 5	Present	
Charlene Kervina	Chippewa County	District 10	Late	7:55 AM
Kari Ives	Chippewa County	District 12	Present	
Keith Tompkins	Chippewa County	Citizen Rep	Present	
Stacey Sperlingas	Chippewa County	Citizen Rep	Present	
Jenny Happel	Chippewa County	Citizen Rep	Present	

Others Present: Angie Weideman County Health Officer/Public Health Director; Tim Easker, Human Services Director; Pauline Spiegel, Human Services Administrative Assistant; Audra Knowlton, Public Health Administrative Assistant; Paul Brenner, Human Services Senior Fiscal Manager; Sarah McQuillan, Public Health Fiscal Manager; Randy Scholz, County Administrator; Members of the Public Wishing to be Heard: Lisa Mancl and Lona Cook

3. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO BE HEARD

Lisa Mancl spoke on her COVID-19 concerns and confusion regarding guidelines, masks, and vaccinations.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

RESULT:	APPROVED [8 TO 0]
MOVER:	Don Hauser, District 6 (Vice-Chair)
SECONDER:	Kari Ives, District 12
AYES:	Halbleib, Hauser, Steele, Thornton, Ives, Tompkins, Sperlingas, Happel
AWAY:	Kervina

1. Approve the Agenda

2. Approve the Minutes

Health & Human Services Board - Regular Meeting - Jul 15, 2021 7:45 AM

3. Schedule Next Meeting Date - September 16, 2021

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5. REPORTS

1. Review of Advisory Committee/Board Minutes

The minutes of July 9, 2021 Aging & Disability Resource Center Board Meeting were reviewed and discussed.

RESULT:	DISCUSSED
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2. Human Services Director's Program and Financial Report - Tim Easker

The Human Services Director's Program and Financial Report was reviewed and discussed. Easker shared the department's plan to convert the majority of Human Services policies to procedures, as most of these can be defined as operational. These will be presented at future meetings for the Board to review and make decisions on conversion. Easker also reviewed the financial information and requested input on how layout of the fiscal data in the report could be improved for clarity and effectiveness. Board members recommend keeping overall to-date budget/expenses as is, but present the IMD costs in a month-by-month style.

RESULT:	DISCUSSED
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3. Public Health Director's Program and Financial Report – Angie Weideman COVID STATS

- Worldwide: 209,431,249 cases; 4,396,057 deaths
- United States: 37,158,309 cases; 624,260 deaths
- Wisconsin: 641,553 cases, 7,499 deaths
- Chippewa County: 7,929 cases (170 active), 10 hospitalization (331 total hospitalizations to date); 97 deaths
- States with highest cases: Florida - 2,920,749; Texas - 3,402,123; California - 4,176,356
- Country with highest cases: India - 32,322,258 cases and 433,049 deaths

VACCINE DASHBOARD

- Wisconsin: First dose - 53.5 percent; Completed doses - 50.3 percent
- Chippewa County: First dose - 48.8 percent; Completed doses - 46.2 percent

OTHER COVID INFO:

- In July, Chippewa County stats indicated less than ten cases per day/moderate risk level. County currently at 30 - 40 cases a day/severe risk level.
- Data shows that with the highly contagious Delta variant, if one member in a household gets it, the rest of family is more likely to get it. This contributes to the high numbers. If a person is vaccinated, it is less likely to be as severe than if not vaccinated.
- Masks will be optional in the Chippewa County schools. Schools will not be taking part in free testing in schools that is available through State of Wisconsin, but Public Health is working with schools to offer community testing.
- Public Health implemented a "hot wash" process to compile data and information to share with community partners.

In-depth discussion was held regarding the data surrounding the Delta variant, COVID versus influenza testing, effectiveness of masks, conflict around CDC recommendations. Appreciation expressed of Public

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Health's diligence and hard work during the long pandemic.

The Public Health Director's Program and Financial Report from the board packet was reviewed and discussed with Weideman highlighting the collaboration with Rutledge Charities for a mobility loan equipment exchange program.

RESULT:	DISCUSSED
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6. BUSINESS ITEMS

1. Resolution to Proclaim September 2021 as "Recovery Month in Chippewa County" - Tim Easker
Easker and Weideman reviewed the resolution to declare September 2021 as "Recovery Month in Chippewa County" to bring awareness and support to those in the community in mental health and substance abuse recovery. This is one method used to help reduce stigma, encourage those with mental health and substance abuse issues to seek help and live a healthy and rewarding life. Recovery Month will be promoted through a press release, social media, community partner sharing, etc.

RESULT:	FORWARD TO COUNTY BOARD [UNANIMOUS]	Next: 9/14/2021 6:00 PM
MOVER:	Kari Ives, District 12	
SECONDER:	Don Hauser, District 6 (Vice-Chair)	
AYES:	Halbleib, Hauser, Steele, Thornton, Kervina, Ives, Tompkins, Sperlingas, Happel	

7. AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

8. ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 8:54 a.m.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Harold Steele, District 1
SECONDER:	Kari Ives, District 12
AYES:	Halbleib, Hauser, Steele, Thornton, Kervina, Ives, Tompkins, Sperlingas, Happel

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HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
JULY 15, 2021
CHIPPEWA COUNTY COURTHOUSE, RM 302
7:45 AM

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

Attendee Name	Organization	Title	Status	Arrived
John Halbleib	Chippewa County	Citizen Rep (Chair)	Present	
Don Hauser	Chippewa County	District 6 (Vice-Chair)	Present	
Harold Steele	Chippewa County	District 1	Absent	
Tom Thornton	Chippewa County	District 5	Present	
Charlene Kervina	Chippewa County	District 10	Present	
Kari Ives	Chippewa County	District 12	Present	
Keith Tompkins	Chippewa County	Citizen Rep	Present	
Stacey Sperlingas	Chippewa County	Citizen Rep	Present	
Jenny Happel	Chippewa County	Citizen Rep	Present	

Others Present: Angie Weideman County Health Officer/Public Health Director; Tim Easker, Human Services Director; Pauline Spiegel, Human Services Administrative Assistant; Sarah McQuillan, Public Health Fiscal Manager; Audra Knowlton, Public Health Administrative Assistant; Randy Scholz, County Administrator; Paul Brenner, Senior Fiscal Manager; Ashley Bailey, Human Services Fiscal Manager; Lori Zwiefelhofer, Chippewa County Finance Director

3. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO BE HEARD

There were no members of the public wishing to be heard.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Keith Tompkins, Citizen Rep
SECONDER: Charlene Kervina, District 10
AYES: Halbleib, Hauser, Thornton, Kervina, Ives, Tompkins, Sperlingas, Happel
ABSENT: Steele

1. Approve the agenda

2. Approve the Minutes

Health & Human Services Board - Regular Meeting - Jun 17, 2021 7:45 AM

3. Schedule next meeting date - August 19, 2021

5. REPORTS

Minutes Acceptance: Minutes of Jul 15, 2021 7:45 AM (Consent Agenda)

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1. Public Health Director's Program and Financial Report – Angie Weideman

COVID STATS

- Worldwide: 188,504,500 cases; 4,060,516 deaths
- United States: 33,947,232 cases; 608,115 deaths
- Wisconsin: 614,243 cases; 7,365 deaths
- Chippewa County: 7,530 cases, 1 hospitalized (305 total hospitalized to date); 95 deaths
- States with highest cases: California (3.8 million); Texas (3 million); Florida (2.4 million)
- Countries with highest cases: India (30,987,88; Brazil (19,209,729)

VACCINE DASHBOARD

Wisconsin: First dose - 50.9 percent; Complete doses - 48.1 percent

Chippewa County: First dose - 46.2 percent; Completed doses - 44.51 percent

OTHER COVID INFO

- Vaccine distribution and COVID testing offered at Country Fest, Northern Wisconsin State Fair, and Rock Fest.
- Due to the significant reduction in COVID cases, the risk level is currently at moderate and close to moving to low.

Weideman highlighted several items from her report in the board packet. She also shared information on the PFAS (per and polyfluoroalkyl substances) water issue that was in the recent news for Eau Claire County.

RESULT: DISCUSSED

2. Human Services Director's Program and Financial Report - Tim Easker

The Human Services Director's Program and Financial Report was reviewed and discussed. Additionally, Easker provided an update on the B-3 Program review process. The State and counties have reached an agreement. He also stated via the Governor's budget approval, Chippewa County will have 22 additional regional acute psych beds - 18 beds at St. Joseph's in Chippewa Falls and 4 children's beds at Sacred Heart will be converted to adult beds. He reviewed department fiscal information including children/youth out-of-home placement costs (trending in right directions) and adult mental health and AODA placement information, including discussion on the local resource of Recovery House in Chippewa Falls.

RESULT: DISCUSSED

6. BUSINESS ITEMS

1. Human Services 2022 Budget (Review/Approve to Forward to County Administrator) - Tim E/Paul B

Easker reviewed the Human Services 2022 budget summary. Several fiscal numbers were based on State budget proposals, which have now been approved through the Governor's signing of the State of Wisconsin budget. The Human Services 2022 proposed budget was approved as presented to forward to the Chippewa County Administrator.

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RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Tom Thornton, District 5
SECONDER:	Keith Tompkins, Citizen Rep
AYES:	Halbleib, Hauser, Thornton, Kervina, Ives, Tompkins, Sperlingas, Happel
ABSENT:	Steele

2. Chippewa County Department of Public Health's 2022 Budget (Review/Approve to be Forwarded to County Administrator) - Angie Weideman
Weideman presented the Public Health 2022 budget. The Public Health's 2022 proposed budget was approved as presented to forward to the Chippewa County Administrator.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Kari Ives, District 12
SECONDER:	Jenny Happel, Citizen Rep
AYES:	Halbleib, Hauser, Thornton, Kervina, Ives, Tompkins, Sperlingas, Happel
ABSENT:	Steele

7. AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

8. ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 8:52 a.m.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Don Hauser, District 6 (Vice-Chair)
SECONDER:	Kari Ives, District 12
AYES:	Halbleib, Hauser, Thornton, Kervina, Ives, Tompkins, Sperlingas, Happel
ABSENT:	Steele

Minutes Acceptance: Minutes of Jul 15, 2021 7:45 AM (Consent Agenda)



**STATEMENT OF EXPLANATION
REVIEW OF ADVISORY COMMITTEE/BOARD MINUTES**

5.1

July 8, 2021 - Aging & Disability Resource Center (ADRC) Board

CHIPPEWA COUNTY**ADRC (AGING & DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER) BOARD****REGULAR MEETING****JULY 8, 2021****CHIPPEWA COUNTY COURTHOUSE, RM 302****4:45 PM****1. CALL TO ORDER****2. ROLL CALL**

Attendee Name	Organization	Title	Status	Arrived
Kari Ives	Chippewa County	District 12 (Chair)	Present	
Larry Marquardt	Chippewa County	Citizen Rep, Vice-Chair	Present	
Patricia German	Chippewa County	Citizen Rep	Present	
David Alley	Chippewa County	Citizen Rep	Present	
Mary Frasier	Chippewa County	Citizen Rep	Present	
Janet Mayer	Chippewa County	Citizen Rep	Present	
Glen Howell	Chippewa County	Citizen Rep	Absent	

Others Present: Leslie Fijalkiewicz, Pauline Spiegel, Administrative Assistant; Paul Brenner, Senior Fiscal Manager; ADRC Staff: Jordy Miles, Sandy Winrich, Sarah Hedlund,

3. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO BE HEARD

There were no members of the public wishing to be heard.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: David Alley, Citizen Rep
SECONDER: Patricia German, Citizen Rep
AYES: Ives, Marquardt, German, Alley, Frasier, Mayer
ABSENT: Howell

1. Approve the agenda
2. Approve the Minutes

ADRC (Aging & Disability Resource Center) Board - Regular Meeting - May 13, 2021 4:45 PM

3. Schedule next meeting date - September 9, 2021

5. REPORTS**1. ADRC Manager Report**

The Aging & Disability Resource Center's Manager's Report was reviewed and discussed. Fijalkiewicz also provided an update on the Nutrition Program - an employment offer was made and accepted for the second program assistant position.

ADRC (Aging & Disability Resource Center) Board

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RESULT: DISCUSSED

2. ADRC Advocacy Report

Fijalkiewicz shared a few advocacy related updates regarding the State of Wisconsin budget signed today by the governor. She also stated letters were being mailed out by the State regarding voter registration.

RESULT: DISCUSSED

3. State of Wisconsin Biennial Budget Update

Fijalkiewicz stated there were no ADRC related budget items vetoed by the Governor. Included in the budget (but no details): AFSCP additional funding for respite care, in-home support, support groups, other dementia care related items, plus 18 additional Dementia Care Specialist positions for the State of Wisconsin. There will also be an increase in Medicaid reimbursement for nursing home and similar elder care facilities so wages for those care workers can then be increased.

RESULT: DISCUSSED

6. BUSINESS ITEMS

1. ADRC 2022 Fees and Donations (Review/Approve)

The 2022 recommended fees and donation were reviewed, discussed, and approved.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Larry Marquardt, Citizen Rep, Vice-Chair
SECONDER: David Alley, Citizen Rep
AYES: Ives, Marquardt, German, Alley, Frasier, Mayer
ABSENT: Howell

2. ADRC 2022 Budget (Review/Approve to Forward to County Administrator)

The 2022 budget was reviewed, discussed, and approved to forward to the County Administrator.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Patricia German, Citizen Rep
SECONDER: Larry Marquardt, Citizen Rep, Vice-Chair
AYES: Ives, Marquardt, German, Alley, Frasier, Mayer
ABSENT: Howell

3. ADRC Draft Three-Year Plan (Review/Approve for Sending to GWAAR)

The ADRC three-year draft plan was reviewed, discussed, and approved. Next steps include sending draft plan to GWAAR (Greater Wisconsin Agency on Aging Resources), a public hearing, and final ADRC Board and County Board approval.

Attachment: 5.1 ADRC Board Minutes 07-08-21 (6561 : Review of ADRC Board July 8, 2021 Minutes)

ADRC (Aging & Disability Resource Center) Board

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RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	David Alley, Citizen Rep
SECONDER:	Janet Mayer, Citizen Rep
AYES:	Ives, Marquardt, German, Alley, Frasier, Mayer
ABSENT:	Howell

7. AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

8. ADJOURN

Adjourned 6:08 p.m.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	David Alley, Citizen Rep
SECONDER:	Larry Marquardt, Citizen Rep, Vice-Chair
AYES:	Ives, Marquardt, German, Alley, Frasier, Mayer
ABSENT:	Howell

Attachment: 5.1 ADRC Board Minutes 07-08-21 (6561 : Review of ADRC Board July 8, 2021 Minutes)



STATEMENT OF EXPLANATION
HUMAN SERVICES DIRECTOR'S PROGRAM AND FINANCIAL REPORT -
TIM EASKER

5.2

Tim Easker, Human Services Director, provides a department program and financial report for review and discussion.

Director's Report to the Health & Human Services Board

Tim Easker

Board Meeting Date: August 19, 2021

1. WCHSA Updates

Division of Children's and Families (DCF)

- **State/County Contract** – DCF held an initial session with the WCHSA leadership to discuss contract language for CY 2022. DCF is proposing changes to the base contract and the child care administration contract. The only change to the child welfare/youth justice contract pertains to IV-E pass-through reimbursement rates. DCF also consults with the Wisconsin Child Support Enforcement Association (WCSEA) for the base contract.
- **Secretary Meeting** – The next quarterly meeting of the WCHSA leadership with the DCF Secretary is on 8/25.
- **Staff Changes** – Margaret McMahon was promoted in the DCF Secretary's Office to supervise the budget and communication functions in DCF, replacing Tom McCarthy. She had been a senior policy advisor to the Secretary and previously held management positions in the DCF Bureau of Working Families.
- **Pandemic Relief Payments for Foster Youth** – DCF issued a press release in July reminding agencies that youth previously in foster care are eligible for pandemic relief payments. Youth can apply for payments through the regional Independent Living Transition Resource Agencies (TRAs). DCF created a tool kit of resources to help spread the word about the payments to youth. Counties can also be reimbursed by DCF for extended care arrangements for youth that aged out of foster care in 2021. DSP Memo 2021-12 explains the relief payments and reimbursement for counties.
Press Release: <https://dcf.wisconsin.gov/press/foster-relief-funds>
Tool Kit: <https://dcf.wisconsin.gov/foster-relief/tool-kit>
Memo: <https://dcf.wisconsin.gov/files/cwportal/policy/pdf/memos/2021-12i.pdf>
- **Ethan's Law** – DSP issued Informational Memo 2021-18 in July explaining 2021 Wis. Act 72, known as Ethan's Law, pertaining to background checks for unlicensed relatives used as placement resources for children. Act 72 requires that criminal charges that were dismissed under plea agreements be taken into account for licensing purposes.
<https://dcf.wisconsin.gov/files/cwportal/policy/pdf/memos/2021-18.pdf>
- **Youth Justice Input Sessions** – DSP sent out an email on 7/26 announcing that two input sessions will be held in August providing an opportunity for counties and tribes to provide input to DCF on youth justice policies and priorities. The sessions are organized by region.
Friday, August 20, from 10 AM – 11:30 AM (Western, Northern, and Northeast)
<https://dcfwi.zoom.us/j/89057261588?pwd=WGZ1NXNTOUI4aG1lZ3BYWnB4SDhvdz09>
Meeting ID: 890 5726 1588
Passcode: 028234
Tuesday, August 24, from 3:15 – 4:45 PM (Southern, Southeast and Milwaukee)
<https://dcfwi.zoom.us/j/89057261588?pwd=WGZ1NXNTOUI4aG1lZ3BYWnB4SDhvdz09>
Meeting ID: 890 5726 1588
Passcode: 028234
- **Child Care Verifications** – The C9 verification code established during the COVID pandemic to allow Shares child care subsidy eligibility to be verified without submission of documents was ended by DECE in July. Persons seeking Shares must submit documentation to verify eligibility as required under pre-COVID policy. Child care agencies must follow up with cases that currently have the C9 code to obtain the required documentation.

Division of Health Services (DHS)

- **Wisconsin Submits Plans to Support Mental Health and Substance Use Services August 2, 2021-** Prevention activities, treatment programs, and recovery supports are part of Wisconsin's proposals for American Rescue Plan Act funds
- **Governor Evers, DHS Urge COVID-19 Vaccination Ahead of 2021-2022 School Year July 22, 2021-** Governor Tony Evers and DHS encourage anyone attending school in the upcoming school year to get their COVID-19 vaccine as soon as possible.
- **Over \$1 Million Awarded for Behavioral Health Equity and Inclusion Projects July 14, 2021-** DHS has awarded over \$1 million to nine organizations for projects designed to improve the cultural competence of service providers.
- **Peer-run Respite Grants Awarded, New Locations Added June 29, 2021-** Wisconsin's peer-run respite program for people experiencing stress or symptoms related to mental health and substance use challenges is adding locations in La Crosse and Milwaukee under new grants awarded by DHS.
- **Health Care Benefits May Now Be Available to Citizens of the Compacts of Free Association Countries-** Due to a federal rule change, citizens of the Compacts of Free Association (COFA) countries living legally in Wisconsin may now be able to get BadgerCare Plus or Medicaid health care benefits.
- **Children's Long-Term Support Program to Support Continuously Enrolling Children-** Effective August 1, 2021, county waiver agencies may immediately enroll all children referred to CLTS upon eligibility determination. DHS will no longer wait until the first Monday of the month to place a predetermined number of children in enrollable status in PPS. Additional information will be provided during the upcoming CLTS teleconference on August 19, 2021.
- **Children's Long-Term Support Program Renewal Submitted to Federal Government-** DHS has submitted its application to continue the CLTS Program after December 31, 2021. DHS is seeking federal approval to make the program more accessible, family-focused, and inclusive by: Adding new services to support children and their families. Making service names and descriptions family-friendly. Expanding families' choice and control over their services and supports. Adding diagnosis-specific program eligibility for children under age 6. Protecting the health and safety of children by narrowing the types of restrictive measures allowed in the program.
- **DHS Staff Update-** Danielle Graham-Heine is moving on from her DHS Comprehensive Community Services (CCS) position to another DHS position. Her last day as a DHS CCS coordinator is July 16, 2021. Please send all of your questions or concerns to the Division of Care and Treatment Services CCS email box. Langeston Hughes will now host the CCS virtual meetings, which will continue to be held on the first and third Wednesdays of each month from 1 – 2:30 p.m.
- **Attn: Nursing Homes Providers and Facilities Serving People with Developmental Disabilities**
Effective August 1, 2021, all Informal Dispute Resolution (IDR) and Independent IDR will be conducted by MPRO. Facilities may send their supporting documentation electronically to MPRO through their secure IDR portal at www.mpro.org/idr.

2. Department and Division Updates

Department Updates:

- The DHS 2022-24 strategic planning process continues to roll ahead. The first step has been accomplished and we now have a new mission and vision statements along with values. This involved input from all staff. Our mission statement is "Strengthening our community through partnerships and services to promote dignity, increase resilience, and provide hope." The new vision statement is "Everyone reaching their full potential to live their best life." Our values are Advocacy, Compassion, Empowerment, Partnership, and Respect. Department goals will be finalized at the next leadership meeting. From there, divisions and units will start developing individual strategic plans.



- WCHSA continues to lead a state-wide workgroup work on ways to better serve children with complex care needs. As you may recall, these are often the kids who end up being placed out of state. WCHSA is engaging stakeholders from across the state. This is a complex issue which will not be solved quickly but it is nice to see this is a high priority item.
- After reviewing our department's policies, it appears most of them are in fact procedures. I would like to start bringing these to this committee over the upcoming months for approval to re-designate them as procedures.
- We would like to recognize the following dedicated staff for their years of service Ashley Bailey (Fiscal) 5 years; Erica Campbell (CPS) 6 years; Trish Houle (RWC), and Kelly Zimmerman (ADRC) 15 years. THANK YOU!

Divisions:

Aging & Disability Resource Center (ADRC)

- Please check out the ADRC's 3-Year Plan on our website. In addition to our goals you can find an Executive Summary along with the results of the survey. And of course, we hope you will provide some feedback. Just follow this link... https://hipaa.jotform.com/ADRC_adrc/3-year-plan We also have three public hearings scheduled to obtain feedback so feel free to join us at one of those (see flyer).
- At this time, we have only reopened our Senior Dining sites in Cornell and Lake Holcombe. With the rise in COVID-19 cases in Chippewa County, we aren't rushing to open any of our other locations. Our Meals on Wheels deliveries continue to be higher than they were pre-COVID, but this is not unexpected since most of the people who started the meals during COVID were homebound and eligible prior to the pandemic. And speaking of Meals on Wheels, we are looking for someone who is willing to deliver meals in the rural Cadott area a couple of days per week. Mileage and minimum wage aren't going to make anyone wealthy, but the smiles you get are something to treasure. Please help us spread the word!
- Another challenge we continue to deal with is the loss of our meal vendor in Cadott. We have still not been able to find a local provider of meals but remain optimistic that as the labor market improves, one or both of the restaurants that previously expressed interest will be able to serve our program. In the meantime, we continue to get our Cadott meals from the Eau Claire County Nutrition Program.
- The biennial state budget did not include any additional funding for the state ADRC grant, which was disappointing but not unexpected. While we are getting some ARPA funds for several of our programs, those funds are not able to be spent on salaries or benefits for our Options Counselors, Disability & Elder Benefits Specialist positions and the lion's share of my position. We were glad to learn one of our federal grants that was expected to sunset in 2021 has been extended. It's not a big grant but every little bit helps. The good news is that our ADRC budget does not include any additional levy request beyond what is necessary for our transportation grant match. Many thanks to Paul Brenner for his hard work on the ADRC budget.

Children, Youth & Families Division

- The Child Protective Services (CPS) Unit has hired on a new worker to replace the vacant position in Initial Assessment. He will start on August 23, 2021.
- The Birth-to-Three Team has seen an increase in referrals; these referrals are keeping them busy.
- Youth Justice staff continue to prepare for Kaitie's impending FMLA in August.
- Children with Differing abilities (CWDA) has two resignations. Dan Strehlau will be leaving Chippewa County on August 13 to be a direct service provider for CCS. Makaila Lyberg and her family are moving to Iowa and her last day with Chippewa County will be August 27. We wish them both well and thank them for their service to the citizens of Chippewa County. We have hired for one vacancy - Tracy Xiong, will be transferring on August 23 from Tom Diel's RWC Division.



Prior to the staff turn-over we had to restart our waitlist for children's waiver and children's CCS due to our staff being at full or over capacity in their caseloads.

Economic Support Division

- The Wisconsin Home Energy Assistance Program has transitioned to West CAP effective August 1. The State, Chippewa County, and West CAP have worked in collaboration to make this transfer as seamless as possible. Efforts to contact all customers and vendors has been extensive.
- Pandemic EBT (Foodshare) has been approved for the month of August. The emergency order remains in effect and no negative action (case closures) are allowed for health care programs.

Fiscal & Contracts

The fiscal team has been working through contractor providing for new CCS consumers as well as getting ready for the upcoming contract season for 2022! We also have been working through importing of documents into our Electronic Health Record for file storage and maintaining our provider payments. The team has been working very well together and communicating to train and streamline processes. We are going to be working on more cross training within the team to ensure we have appropriate backups on each task, which has been a goal of ours for a long time. We appreciate how well everybody works together for the goals we are setting to achieve them – it's an amazing team!

Recovery & Wellness Consortium (RWC) Division

- Congratulations to Tracy Xiong who has accepted a service facilitator position with Children, Youth & Families Division. Thank you, Tracy, for your work in completing annual protective placement reviews.
- RWC has celebrated numerous birthdays and work anniversaries this summer. Lots of time spent with decorating offices. These types of activities create an atmosphere of excitement and awareness on how much each of are valued.
- Crisis service team is fully staffed with the addition of Karissa Bornemann contracted through Northwest Counseling and Guidance Clinic.

3. 2021 Monthly Fiscal Information

Through Month of: July 2021

2021 Prorated Budget (total is \$23,021,372):	\$13,429,129
Expenses paid through June:	12,951,739
Variance to Budget:	\$477,390

2021 Kinship Placement with a Relative

Month	Kinship	Projected Cost	2021 Budget	Over/(Under)
January	86	\$263,100	\$331,350	(\$68,250)
February	104	\$299,892	\$331,350	(\$31,458)
March	103	\$304,315	\$331,350	(27,035)
April	104	\$305,199	\$331,350	(26,161)
May	105	\$324,085	\$331,350	(\$7,265)
June	100	\$325,356	\$331,350	(\$5,994)
July	102	\$319,176	\$331,350	(\$12,174)

2021 Children and Youth in Out-of-Home Placement

Month	Out of Home*	Out of Home**	Projected Cost*	2021 Budget	Over/(Under)
January	81	36	\$2,729,256	\$1,379,760	\$1,349,496
February	84	39	\$2,879,963	\$1,379,760	\$1,500,203
March	76	36	\$2,649,114	\$1,379,760	\$1,269,354
April	72	37	\$2,399,243	\$1,379,760	\$1,019,483
May	82	31	\$2,301,282	\$1,379,760	\$921,522
June	82	32	\$2,284,109	\$1,379,760	\$904,349
July	69	27	\$2,140,105	\$1,379,760	\$760,345

* Children and Youth in Placement: Foster Care, Treatment Foster Care, Group Home, Residential Care

**Additional children placed with relatives (unpaid)

2021 Adult Mental Health and AODA Out-of-Home Placements:

Month	Out of Home	Projected Cost	2021 Budget	Over/(Under)
January	14	\$574,611	\$637,987	(\$63,376)
February	18	\$520,066	\$637,987	(\$117,921)
March	14	\$445,742	\$637,987	(192,245)
April	20	\$534,146	\$637,987	(\$103,841)
May	16	\$478,410	\$637,987	(\$159,577)
June	13	\$521,936	\$637,987	(\$116,051)
July	13	\$533,312	\$637,987	(\$104,675)

Department of Human Services – Consumer/Caseload Data

Child Protective Services (CPS) Screened-in CPS Reports Yearly Comparison

Year	Screened in CPS Reports 01-01-21 to 07-31-21	Number of IA Workers	Projected End of Year based on 01-01-21 to 07-31-21	Actual End of Year
2021	140	4	240	N/A
2020	179	4	307	261
2019	162	4	278	272
2018	158	4	271	250
2017	98	3	168	186

WCHSA Caseload Recommendations

Initial Assessments: 11 cases per worker with no more than 6 new assessments per worker per month

Ongoing: 10 cases per worker with no more than 15 children per worker

Current CPS Family Caseloads (08-11-21)

Caseload Type	1 FTE	1 FTE	1 FTE	1 FTE	1 FTE	1 FTE	1 FTE	1 FTE	1 FTE	1 FTE
Initial Assessment	13	0	9	14						
Ongoing					19	13	12	12	13	14

Total Families/Cases Open: Initial Assessment = 36; Ongoing = 83; equals 119 Total

Out-of-Home Placement Yearly Comparison

Total Children/Youth Served January 1 to Current Date of Each Year (includes Kinship)

2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
161	162	169	189	168	110	59

Children/Youth Opened in CCS and/or CLTS (08-11-21)

Children/Youth Opened	8
Children Waiting to be Screened to Determine Eligibility	16
Waitlist - CCS	10
Waitlist - CLTS	6
Waitlist – CCS/CLTS (Dually Eligible)	3

Current IMD Expenditures – Estimate (through June)

Children/Youth – IMD	\$142,899
Adults – IMD	\$282,868
Projected IMD (using Jan-June actual)	\$853,536
IMD Budget	\$301,392
Overage if we continue at this rate	\$552,144

Yearly Comparison Crisis: January – June

	Adults	Children
2021	379	117
2020	421	126
2019	449	108
2018	389	110
2017	361	108

Yearly Comparison Youth Justice Referrals

Year	Jan-May	End of Year
2021	109	262 (Projected)
2020	124	342
2019	176	362
2018	201	351
2017	193	405



STATEMENT OF EXPLANATION
PUBLIC HEALTH DIRECTOR'S PROGRAM AND FINANCIAL REPORT –
ANGIE WEIDEMAN

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Angie Weideman, Public Health Director, provides a department program and financial report.



Chippewa County Health and Human Services Board

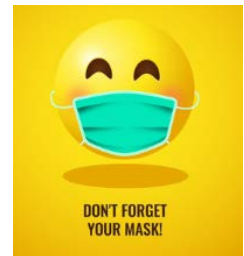
Department of Public Health Angie Weideman's Director's Report

August 2021

COVID-19 Updates

The Public Health Director will give an update of disease numbers reported from the world level down to the Chippewa County level at the meeting. Attached is the Chippewa County COVID-19 case updates for Tuesday, August 10.

In July, we had case numbers below 10 for the first couple of weeks and that quickly changed with case numbers in the 50s and to begin August in the 100s. This trend is true all around Wisconsin and the United States, with the Delta variant spreading more quickly. As we move into the school year, this is not where we want numbers going. Meetings with school administrators have been happening as we prepare for what the fall may bring. Public Health is recommending masks be worn by all students, staff, and teachers regardless of vaccination status. Masks are also recommended for all county residents in indoor public spaces to help combat the spread of COVID-19. COVID-19 vaccine is also recommended for all that are eligible.



Administration Division

The Admin Team is preparing and adapting our workloads due to the drastic increase in COVID cases. We are preparing to handle EHR reports in WEDSS again as well as miscellaneous other WEDSS work. We continue to assist at vaccination and immunization clinics.

We are also preparing for flu season and making improvements to our billing process and Wisconsin Immunization Registry (WIR) data entry.

We continue to help with scheduling vaccination appointments, car seat questions, Breastfeeding Peer Counseling, and general Public Health questions.

Loan Equipment

Rutledge Charities and CCDPH both have loan equipment programs, which lends equipment to the community free of charge to use on a temporary basis. Rutledge Charities reached out to see how we could best make use of our time, resources, and space. After evaluating each organization's needs and capacity, it was decided the health department would keep all wheel chairs and Rutledge Charities would have all remaining equipment (i.e. bath benches, commodes, walkers, crutches, etc.). These changes will make improvements, and have benefits for both organizations. We are preparing to make this transition possible by October 1, 2021.

Community Health Division

Car Seat Outreach

At the National Night Out on August 3, we conducted car seat outreach, education, and seat checks. Twelve seat checks were completed. Families were commended for taking their children's safety



into consideration. Many parents stopped at our booth and asked questions about their children and car seat use. With a grant, we were able to purchase coloring books and life size child cut outs, to help provide educational information to families with visuals.

Some common improvements that we usually see and offer advice for corrections include:

- Always reference the car seat manual and vehicle manual.
- Only using either the lower anchors or the seatbelt to install the car seat, usually never both.
- When using the seatbelt to install, the belt needs to be pulled out all the way to engage the retracting mechanism for the seat to become tightly fit.
- For rear-facing seats, ensure the tether is hooked onto the seat so it isn't just dangling and could be a hazard to those in the car.
- Checking expiration dates of the seats. Due to our extreme weather in Wisconsin, summer heat and winter cold, the materials can break down over time.
- When buckling a child into a seat, the straps should be tight enough where you wouldn't be able to pinch extra material over the shoulder area. By having it tight enough, it also reduces the ability for children to adjust the straps/chest clip on their own.
- We often see kids moving up to the next seat before they are ready to do so safely. Each level offers less protection in a crash, so we encourage parents to leave their child up to the weight/height limit of the seat before letting them graduate to the next seat (Rear facing to front facing to booster to seat belt).
- Don't eat/spill food in seats.
- Wash, air dry, and make sure you put the seat cover and straps back together properly on the car seat.
- Remove the mirrors, toys, etc. They become flying objects in the event of a crash.

Communicable Disease

The Health Officer is required by Wisconsin State Statute 252.05 to report information on current communicable disease reporting and follow-up to the Health and Human Services Board. In July, we received 901 new reports: 134 confirmed (90 Coronavirus, 17 Chlamydia, 7 Gonorrhea, 6 Lyme Disease); 5 probable (2 Coronavirus, 2 Anaplasmosis, and 1 E-Coli); and 694 that did not meet the definition of a case (776 Coronavirus, 3 Pertussis, and 2 Hepatitis C). See the attached report for further breakdown by disease type.

Environmental Health Division

July was a busy month for Chippewa County. Northern Wisconsin State Fair started out the month with a record attendance of approximately 100,000 visitors. The following week Rock Fest took place in Cadott which also had record attendance. For the first time ever, all 7,000 campsites were sold out. The week after that, Onefest returned to the Northern Wisconsin State Fair Grounds drawing another crowd of thousands of people. Environmental Health staff were onsite for all these events conducting inspections of the mobile and temporary food stands.

Environmental Health conducted 50 inspections during July not including the mobile and temporary inspections at the events above. This included eight retail food establishments, four campgrounds, 20 restaurants, 14 hotels/motels/tourist rooming houses, three Rec-Ed camps, and one tattoo establishment. Four Human Health Hazard complaints were also opened and investigated during July.

Nutrition

WIC Program Continues Remote Clinic Services

As of July 19, 2021, Secretary of Health and Human Services (HHS) Xavier Becerra extended the National Public Health Emergency Declaration for COVID-19. By law, the HHS Secretary must renew the declaration every ninety days for urgent flexibilities to remain active. Therefore, this declaration would potentially be next renewed again in mid-October. Early on, HHS had indicated that it would provide 60-day notices to states before it terminated the extensions or cancelled the Public Health Emergency Declaration.

Last year, the US Department of Agriculture (USDA) extended crucial WIC flexibilities until 30 days after the expiration of the Public Health Emergency. The recent extension of the Public Health Emergency Declaration for COVID-19 ensures that WIC flexibilities are now in place through at least **mid-November**.

The waivers to physical presence for WIC Program enrollment will remain in effect for Wisconsin WIC local agencies and WIC participants must be provided the option to receive remote services during this time. As the COVID-19 pandemic resurges, the vast majority of WIC clinics continue providing services remotely.

New Public Health Nutritionist Joining the Nutrition Division Team

Amy Ralph is the successful candidate to refill the Public Health Nutritionist position vacated by Stephanie Abbe upon her promotion to Public Health Nutrition Division Manager. Amy will join us on September 7, and comes to us with 17 years of dietitian experience, mainly with Long Term Care Facilities. She has also taken the Lactation Certification coursework, which will greatly benefit her orientation to WIC Program work. Welcome Amy!



"Thank you to everyone in my Public Health Department family for your hard work, support, and friendship over my 35-year career. It has been a wonderful journey. I retire with great pride and satisfaction for all we have accomplished together for the people we serve, this department, and the community. The WIC Program is the cornerstone to public health nutrition in Chippewa County and across the country. Together, over the last three decades, we grew a Public Health Nutrition Division from that cornerstone. I wish you all the best in your continued great work to make Chippewa County the healthiest county to live, learn, work and play." ~Judy

Western Regional Center (WRC)

On July 1, the Forward Health Grant was officially transitioned to the Nutrition Division. The Western Regional Center had this grant from its inception, at least 15 years ago and Rose Marsh, former employee, managed it for most of those years.

Harrison attended the 25th Annual Wisconsin American Indian Studies Seminar during the last week in July. We have been pursuing additional training to gain a better understanding of Native American culture and views concerning healthcare to build a better relationship with the St. Croix Tribe in Burnett County, who are tribal grantees that we have been working with for over three years.

As COVID numbers have once again started to rise, Anita has been called back to assist with disease investigation and contact tracing. She continues to work full-time through the end of this year, and continues to work at least 24 hours per week in her role as a functional screener. In July, we had 10 Children's Waiver/Comprehensive Community Services referrals and 22 Birth-to-Three referrals, which are

slightly lower than previous months but consistent with other years as numbers tend to dip slightly over the summer.

The WRC has received several urgent calls for assistance with locating child care for children with special needs, especially in Chippewa and Eau Claire Counties. The most common theme has been that the child has behaviors beyond what the day care can manage, or that a parent with children with special needs has returned to work and needs to locate a day care with open slots. Unfortunately, summer is a bad time to locate a daycare with openings and a daycare who is willing to accept children with special needs. Over the past five plus years, there has been a very significant increase in younger children who exhibit aggressive behaviors, including hitting staff and other children, property damage during meltdowns, etc. We are seeing three and four-year olds who cannot be managed by daycare or early childhood center staff, and parents who cannot maintain employment because they are called frequently to remove their child from the child care or school setting.

We continue to have great successes in our partnership with the Otto Bremer Grant project with ABC for Health. Through our partnership, we have been able to overturn some Medicaid denials for services and supplies, arrange for private skilled nursing services for a child so they can attend grade school in the fall, and we are working on a fact sheet and procedure to distribute to pharmacies to assist in facilitating families receiving medications and supplies covered under Health Care and Health Care Other services.

Harrison Anderson has submitted his resignation, and his last day of employment at the Western Regional Center was August 5. He has decided to pursue other opportunities that are a better fit for his skill set and we wish him well. He is a very kind, patient person and we will miss him. We have submitted paperwork to post this opening and recruit for someone to fill his position as Program Consultant. We are anticipating filling this position by late September or early October.

Years of Service

CONGRATULATIONS to the following staff for their hard work and dedication to providing great customer service to the citizens of Chippewa County.

- ❖ Jenny Lenbom, Community Health Nurse – 15 years
- ❖ Nikki Hoernke, Community Health Planning and Promotion Specialist – 2 years
- ❖ Rebecca Lueloff, Nutritionist LTE – 2 years
- ❖ Tabitha Wessels, Community Health Intake Nurse – 2 years



COVID-19 Case Updates

Data as of Tuesday, August 10



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CASE OVERVIEW

TOTAL
POSITIVE CASES

7770

CHANGE SINCE
LAST WEEK

+117

ACTIVE CASES

128

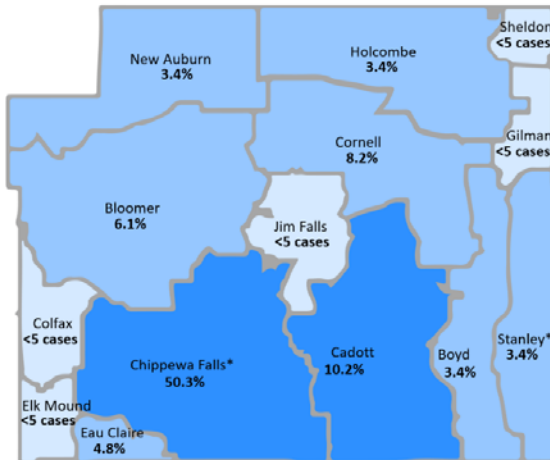
CURRENTLY
HOSPITALIZED

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DEATHS

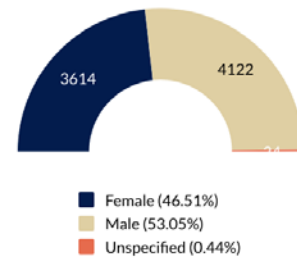
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WHERE ARE THE POSITIVE CASES LIVING, BY PERCENTAGE?



Places with < 5 cases are not reported, due to privacy reasons.
Eau Claire cases are only those in the Northern portion that sits in Chippewa County.
*Includes Department of Correction Facility

CONFIRMED CASES BY SEX



CURRENT RISK LEVEL AND GUIDANCE

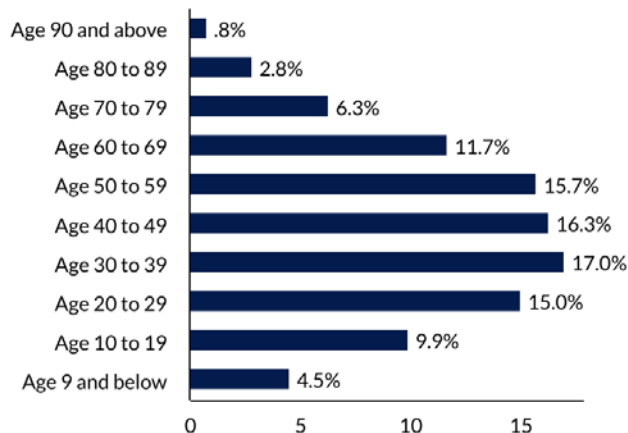
SEVERE RISK

Gathering Recommendations:

- Indoor Gathering: 15 or less
- Outdoor Gathering: 50 or less
- Using Physical Distancing Measures

Wear a mask. Stay home when you're sick.

WHAT ARE THE AGES OF THE POSITIVE CASES, BY PERCENT?



Disease Occurrence



Healthcare Availability



Public Health Response

View the Summary Data Document
for August 10th on our website.



**Wisconsin Department of Health Services
Division of Public Health
PHAVER - WEDSS**

County Board of Health Report

Jurisdiction: Chippewa County

Received Date: 7/1/2021 to 7/31/2021

Disease	Confirmed	Probable	Suspect	Not A Case	Total
CORONAVIRUS, NOVEL 2019 (COVID-19)	90	2	5	679	776
LYME LABORATORY REPORT	0	0	34	0	34
CHLAMYDIA TRACHOMATIS INFECTION	17	0	3	0	20
CORONAVIRUS, NOVEL 2019 (COVID-19) REINFECTION INVESTIGATION	0	0	9	0	9
GONORRHEA	7	0	2	0	9
LYME DISEASE (B.BURGDORFERI)	6	0	1	0	7
CAMPYLOBACTERIOSIS	4	0	0	0	4
E-COLI, ENTEROPATHOGENIC (EPEC)	0	0	4	0	4
TUBERCULOSIS, LTBI - LABORATORY RESULTS ONLY	0	0	3	1	4
ANAPLASMOSIS, A. phagocytophilum	0	2	1	0	3
E-COLI, ENTEROTOXIGENIC (ETEC)	1	0	2	0	3
GIARDIASIS	3	0	0	0	3
PERTUSSIS (WHOOPING COUGH)	0	0	0	3	3
STREPTOCOCCAL DISEASE, INVASIVE, GROUP B	0	0	0	3	3
CRYPTOSPORIDIOSIS	2	0	0	0	2
HEPATITIS B, CHRONIC	0	0	2	0	2
HEPATITIS C, CHRONIC	0	0	0	2	2
TOXOPLASMOSIS	0	0	0	2	2

Disease	Confirmed	Probable	Suspect	Not A Case	Total
ARBOVIRAL ILLNESS, JAMESTOWN CANYON, Unspecified	1	0	0	0	1
BABESIOSIS	1	0	0	0	1
CYCLOSPORIASIS	0	0	1	0	1
E-COLI, ENTEROINVASIVE (EIEC) / SHIGELLOSIS	0	1	0	0	1
MEASLES (RUBEOLA)	0	0	0	1	1
METHICILLIN- or OXICILLIN RESISTANT S. AUREUS (MRSA/ORSA)	0	0	0	1	1
PARAPERTUSSIS	0	0	0	1	1
SALMONELLOSIS	1	0	0	0	1
STREPTOCOCCAL DISEASE, INVASIVE, GROUP A	0	0	0	1	1
TRANSMISSIBLE SPONGIFORM ENCEPHALOPATHY (TSE)	0	0	1	0	1
VARICELLA (CHICKENPOX)	1	0	0	0	1
Total	134	5	68	694	901

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Public Health (Pre-Audited) Financial Results: July 2021



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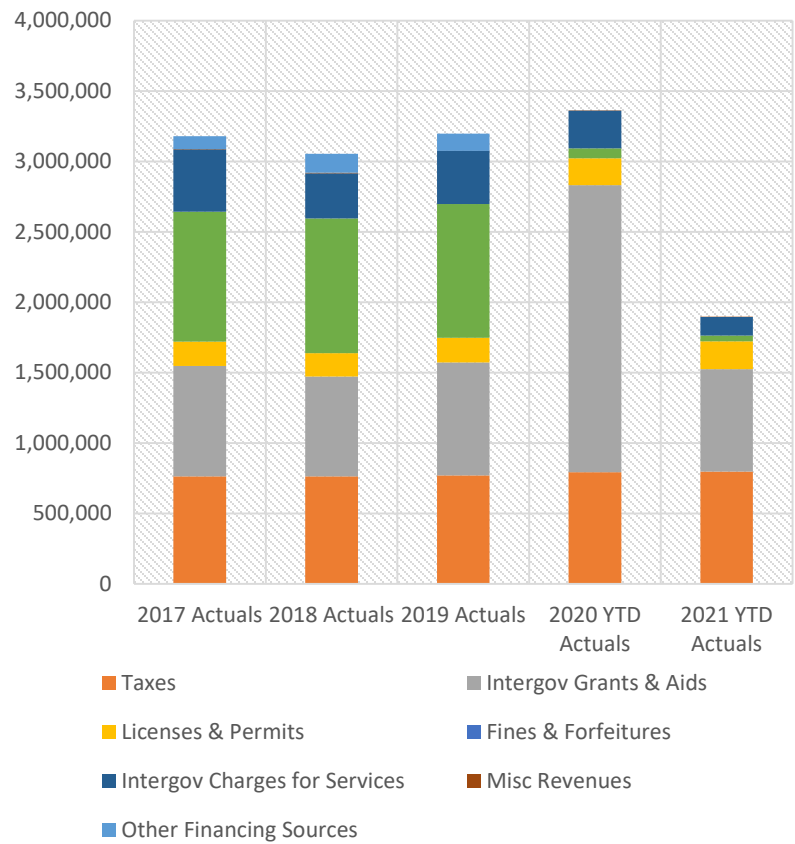
Fund	Description	Revenue			Expense		
		Budget	Actual	% Collected	Budget	Actual	% Spent
54100	Community Health	\$ (692,608.00)	\$ (662,858.84)	95.7%	\$ 692,608.00	\$ 129,048.90	18.6%
54121	Nurse Family Partnership	(129,736.00)	(56,460.72)	43.5%	129,736.00	46,936.89	36.2%
54123	Farmers Market	(2,689.00)	(162.19)	6.0%	2,689.00	2,189.12	81.4%
54125	Prenatal Care Coordination	(70,713.00)	(5,101.93)	7.2%	70,713.00	10,326.71	14.6%
54128	Public Health Preparedness	(50,282.00)	(58,716.42)	116.8%	50,282.00	70,514.02	140.2%
54132	Drug Free Community Grant	(136,319.00)	(56,456.04)	0.0%	136,319.00	64,394.07	0.0%
54135	Bright Start River Source	(10,854.00)	(15,586.36)	143.6%	10,854.00	4,021.43	37.1%
54140	WIC	(424,079.00)	(205,228.25)	48.4%	424,079.00	207,186.62	48.9%
54142	Maternal & Child Health Program	(28,426.00)	(4,578.73)	16.1%	28,426.00	23,448.28	82.5%
54144	Wisconsin Wins	(5,172.00)	(765.37)	14.8%	5,172.00	4,475.09	86.5%
54149	Pre-Venture	(20,844.00)	(7,827.24)	37.6%	20,844.00	4,812.43	23.1%
54150	Prevention	(10,795.00)	(602.62)	5.6%	10,795.00	8,154.42	75.5%
54151	Equipment Loan Closet	(1,864.00)	(379.62)	0.0%	1,864.00	948.53	0.0%
54152	Western Regional Center	(194,827.00)	(64,443.75)	33.1%	194,827.00	104,229.48	53.5%
54154	Title X Reproductive Health	(15,085.00)	(14,190.87)	0.0%	15,085.00	19,701.54	0.0%
54156	FIT WIC	(37,789.00)	(11,185.46)	29.6%	37,789.00	18,657.13	49.4%
54157	Reproductive Health	(57,695.00)	(7,245.31)	12.6%	57,695.00	12,727.45	22.1%
54158	WIC BF Peer Counseling	(11,832.00)	(4,628.19)	39.1%	11,832.00	7,754.90	65.5%
54159	Diabetes Grant	(20,000.00)	(2,524.00)	0.0%	20,000.00	5,437.35	0.0%
54160	Home Health Care	(1,850.00)	3,236.51	-174.9%	1,850.00	3,711.55	200.6%
54161	Health Clinics	(35,673.00)	(2,055.29)	5.8%	35,673.00	10,637.03	29.8%
54162	Taking Care of You	(11,621.00)	(433.02)	3.7%	11,621.00	433.02	3.7%
54163	Overdose Fatality Review	(32,431.00)	(6,047.43)	0.0%	32,431.00	44,773.78	0.0%
54164	COVID Contact Tracing	-	(340,319.00)	0.0%	-	501,812.58	0.0%
54165	GYT - Get Yourself Tested	(5,159.00)	(75.18)	1.5%	5,159.00	937.58	18.2%
54171	Food Safety Recreation License	(292,081.00)	(273,869.59)	93.8%	292,081.00	109,466.45	37.5%
54172	Infant Immunization Grant	(15,905.00)	(977.63)	6.1%	15,905.00	3,509.68	22.1%
54173	Early Hearing Detection & Prev	(93,984.00)	(31,203.03)	33.2%	93,984.00	48,993.06	52.1%
54174	Forward Health Outreach	(22,639.00)	(7,532.07)	33.3%	22,639.00	12,993.57	57.4%
54176	Environmental Health	-	(1,987.51)	0.0%	-	7,081.63	0.0%
54180	DHS Agreement	(113,885.00)	(30,316.49)	26.6%	113,885.00	39,753.55	34.9%
54182	HCET (Health Care, Ed & Tr)	(7,927.00)	(202.23)	2.6%	7,927.00	202.23	2.6%
54184	Childhood Lead Poisoning Prev.	(10,072.00)	(1,849.72)	18.4%	10,072.00	3,414.52	33.9%
54186	Charity Outreach Program	(500.00)	-	0.0%	500.00	-	0.0%
54188	COVID Health Equity	-	(7,140.47)	0.0%	-	26,145.94	0.0%
54189	Epidemiology & Lab Capacity	-	(11,678.05)	0.0%	-	11,722.39	0.0%
54190	Public Health Donation Expendi	(1,000.00)	(9.00)	0.9%	1,000.00	-	0.0%
		\$ 2,566,336.00	\$ 1,894,708.11	73.8%	\$ 2,566,336.00	\$ 1,572,451.40	61.3%

Public Health Revenues vs Expenses

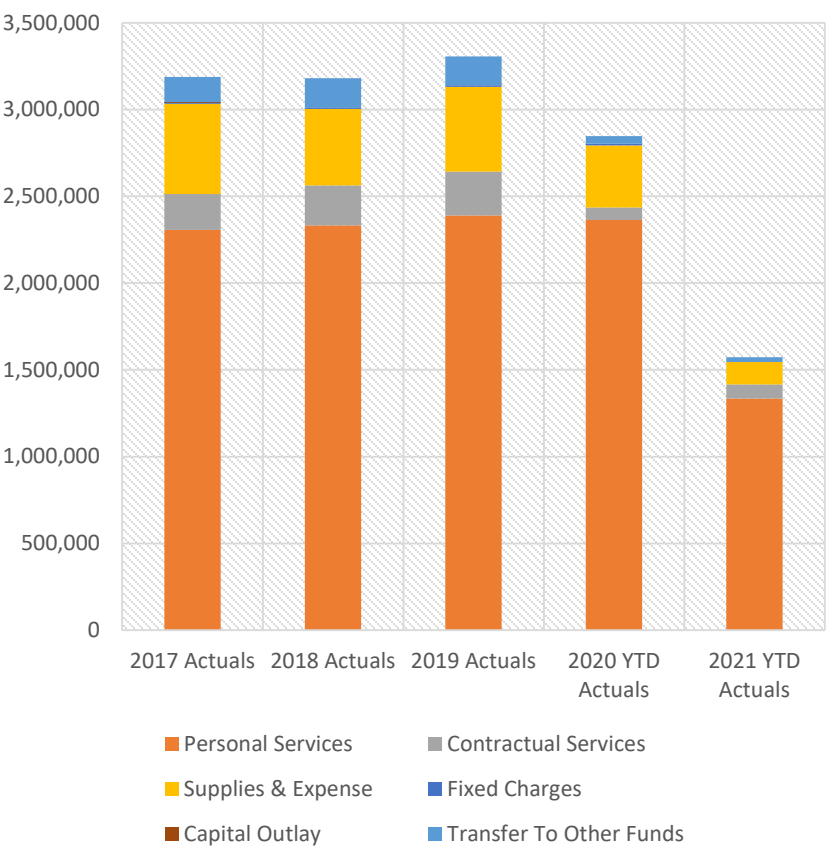
Variance YTD through July 2021



Total Revenues for All Years



Total Expenses for All Years



**STATEMENT OF EXPLANATION**

Resolution No. 37 - 21

**RESOLUTION TO PROCLAIM SEPTEMBER 2021 AS “RECOVERY MONTH
IN CHIPPEWA COUNTY” - TIM EASKER**

1 Passage of this resolution will formally declare September 2021 as “Recovery Month in
2 Chippewa County” to bring awareness to those in the community in mental health and
3 substance abuse recovery. National Recovery Month is now in its 32nd year and the theme in
4 2021 is *“Recovery is for Everyone: Every Person, Every Family, Every Community”*. The goal of
5 this national organization is to celebrate the gains made by those in recovery, just as those who
6 are managing other health conditions such as hypertension, diabetes, asthma, and heart
7 disease are celebrated for improvements in their physical health.

8 Each September, National Recovery Month works to promote and support new
9 evidence-based treatment and recovery practices, the emergence of a strong and proud
10 recovery community, and the dedication of service providers and community members across
11 the nation who make recovery in all its forms possible.

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Resolution No. 37 - 21

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WHEREAS, there are many residents of Chippewa County that struggle with mental health and/or substance abuse issues and are in recovery to address those issues to gain control of their lives; and

WHEREAS, celebrating those among us who have made personal gains in their lives through recovery will help to end a negative stigma that some may feel, while also encouraging others to enter recovery; and

WHEREAS, National Recovery Month (Recovery Month) is a national observance held every September to educate Americans that substance use treatment and mental health services can enable those with a mental and/or substance use disorder to live a healthy and rewarding life; and

WHEREAS, this annual observance reinforces the positive message that behavioral health is essential to overall health, prevention works, treatment is effective, and people can and do recover; and

WHEREAS, the 2021 National Recovery Month theme is “*Recovery for Everyone: Every Person, Every Family, Every Community*” to remind people in recovery and those family and friends that support them that recovery belongs to all of society; and

WHEREAS, there are millions of Americans whose lives have been transformed through recovery and since these successes often go unnoticed by the broader population, Recovery Month provides an opportunity for everyone to celebrate these accomplishments; and

WHEREAS, supporting the residents of Chippewa County that have had success in recovery for mental health and/or substance abuse issues will send a message that the County supports them in their efforts to address some of society’s most complex and challenging issues;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chippewa County Board of Supervisors does hereby proclaim the month of September 2021 as Recovery Month in Chippewa County and encourages all of our County residents to support those in recovery for mental health and/or substance abuse issues.

Forwarded to the County Board by the Health and Human Services Board.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact by passage of this resolution.

08/19/2021 Health & Human Services Board
RESULT: FORWARD TO COUNTY BOARD [UNANIMOUS] Next: 9/14/2021 6:00 PM
MOVER: Kari Ives, District 12
SECONDER: Don Hauser, District 6 (Vice-Chair)
AYES: Halbleib, Hauser, Steele, Thornton, Kervina, Ives, Tompkins, Sperlingas, Happel

Approved as to Form:

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 Todd A. Pauls, Corporation Counsel

8/2/2021

Lori Zwiefelhofer
 Lori Zwiefelhofer, Finance Director

8/3/2021

Randy B. Scholz
 Randy B. Scholz, County Administrator

8/3/2021



RECOVERY IS FOR EVERYONE: Every Person, Every Family, Every Community

2021 National Recovery Month Observance

Recovery is for everyone because it benefits everyone. In recovery, we build new connections to ourselves, our families, and our communities. The 2021 **National Recovery Month** theme, ***“Recovery is for Everyone: Every Person, Every Family, Every Community”*** reminds people in recovery and those who support them, that recovery belongs to all of us. We are all called to end gatekeeping and welcome everyone to recovery by lowering barriers to recovery support, creating inclusive spaces and programs, and broadening our understanding of what recovery means for people with different experiences.

While it may be tempting to characterize recovery as a universal experience or single journey, our community is proof that there are as many pathways to and of recovery as there are people. Our strength is our diversity and because of who we are, the recovery community has unique opportunities to learn, challenge, grow, and dream. By expanding traditional, limited conceptions of recovery, which center white, heterosexual, cisgender, religious, wealthy perspectives, we enrich everyone’s experience. Mental health and substance use disorder are not one-size-fit all conditions, nor do they affect everyone equally. Culturally competent multilingual resources and gender-expansive programs acknowledge and include LGBTQ+ (lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning), BIPOC (Black, Indigenous, and people of color), and other historically marginalized community members.

Looking beyond our individual experiences strengthens and supports recovery in all its forms. The recovery community has a powerful foundation of mutual aid, peer support, and adaptability. **As we grow in empathy and understanding, we save lives by adding protective factors and building resiliency.** We honor the incredible contributions from communities within recovery as groups connect and implement resources that serve their unique needs. The powerful bonds built in recovery are life-altering. To honor those bonds, in every form they take, is a significant factor in sustaining recovery as well as building bridges between our communities. When we connect with open minds and hearts, we learn from one another and create life-saving opportunities.

To heal ourselves, our communities must also heal. Recovery Research Institute conducted a **nuanced, five-year study** that explored the ways in which substance use disorder impacted families, communities, and cultures, and how recovery in those spaces created opportunities to rebuild. The study affirmed that people in distressed communities need opportunities to share their experiences, therefore, personal recovery can translate into collaborative recovery when the individual begins to see their story as part of a larger story. The shift from “I” to “we” is transformative. We call to nurture this “we.” We find new ways of connecting the recovery community. We call to rejuvenate struggling communities and families. At the same time, we work to empower communities who grapple with inequitable conditions, including the effects of systemic racism, homophobia, transphobia, generational poverty, adverse childhood experiences, and other forces. Social connections, family

support, and neighborhood relationships are **directly linked** to wellness and recovery. We must ensure that everyone has the same chance at recovery. ***Our “I” must become our “we.”***

National Recovery Month educates others about recovery from mental health, substance use, and co-occurring disorders, the effectiveness of treatment and recovery support services, and that recovery is possible. All of us, from celebrities and sports figures to our co-workers, neighbors, friends, and family members, throughout our lives have experienced peaks and valleys, both big and small. And, with strength, support and hope from the people we love, ***we are resilient.***

The focus areas of the 2021 **National Recovery Month** materials include the impact of communities, families, and social groups on the prevalence and recovery of mental health, substance use, and co-occurring disorders. The **National Recovery Month** messaging emphasizes the importance of inclusive programs, language, and treatment that lower barriers to recovery for everyone; by challenging traditional structures, we create the foundation that so many people need for their recovery journey.

By asserting that ***“Recovery is for Everyone,”*** we reduce the stigma surrounding people with substance use or mental health disorders, especially when complicated by oppressive forces like white supremacy, systemic racism, punitive criminal justice systems, and policy that excludes less privileged people. Recovery is always person-first. “Meeting people where they are at” translates into acknowledging their unique experiences and needs, including people of different cultures, identities, backgrounds, and communities.

OBJECTIVES

The **National Recovery Month** observance serves as a reminder that when we empower communities and families, we are engaging in healing that extends beyond the individual. ***“Recovery is for Everyone”*** means we are **proud of our diversity**, and we are committed to sharing our personal accomplishments and struggles, reaching across barriers to support one another, and actively dismantling systems that harm our recovery neighbors.

The 2021 **National Recovery Month** observance and theme, ***“Recovery is for Everyone”*** works to inspire people across the country to transform the **“I” into “we”** and **build bridges** between families, communities, and groups. We celebrate our diversity and seek to develop deeper understanding, caring, and connection that nurtures recovery.

AUDIENCES

- People affected by substance use, mental health, and co-occurring disorders and their families
- Health Care Providers (including Medical Schools)
- Community Institutions (e.g., Educators, Faith Leaders, Social Service Providers)
- Peer Support Systems