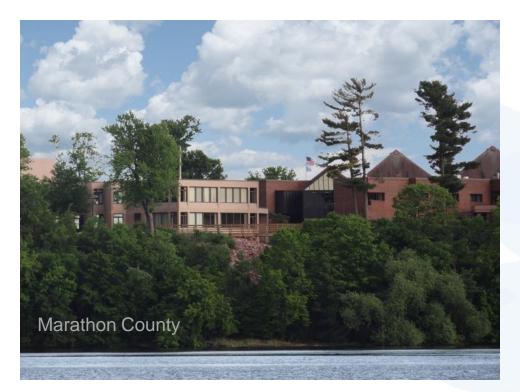


A Regional Approach to Delivery of Human Services

What We Are



A collaborative approach to effective and efficient delivery of services for mental illness, substance abuse, developmental disabilities and long term care in a broad geographical region.

- Langlade County
- Lincoln County
- Marathon County









Lincoln County



Mental Health

Psychiatry
Inpatient Care
Crisis Continuum
Integrated Outpatient Services
Community Treatment

Supported Employment
Supported Housing



Community Support Program
Comprehensive Community
Services
Targeted Case Management



Substance Abuse

- In Patient Detoxification
- Day Treatment
- Out Patient Services
- OWI Assessment
- Driving with Care



Long Term Care

- Legacies by the Lake (Dementia Care)
- Short Stay Rehab
- Ventilator Care
- Long Term Care (Traditional Nursing Home)

- Other Services
 - Adult Protective Services
 - Developmental Disabilities
 - Aquatic Therapy







Challenges:

- Access to professional staff
- Geography
- Typical rural health issues



Access to Professional Staff:

- Current Demand for Psychiatry: 18.6 FTEs
- Actual Availability: Approximately 7.5 FTEs
- Specialty Psychiatry almost non-existant
- Mal-distribution
- •Not just Psychiatry:
 - Psych Nurse Practitioners
 - Dual-licensed clinicians
 - Licensed Substance Abuse Counselors
 - Average time to recruit: six months



Geography:

- Population of 183,000 spread out over 3,294 square miles (55 people/square mile)
- Transportation
- Community Treatment and Crisis Services
- Availability of Psychiatric Beds:
 - **1955: 1/300**
 - Today: 1/3,000
 - Langlade, Lincoln, Marathon Counties:
 - 1/11,000



Typical Rural Health Issues:

- Physician Density
- Lack of Health Insurance
- Poverty
- Substance Abuse



What Are We Doing About It?:

- Tele-Psychiatry
- Transportation Supplementation
- Emphasis on Community Treatment
- Regionalization
- N.H.S.C. and other loan repayment
- Alternatives to In Patient Treatment
- •Collaboration:
 - Strong Relationships with law enforcement



Unique Approaches:

- Behavioral Health Integrated Care Pilot Study:
 - Improve Care
 - Lower Costs to WMA
- Rural Track Psychiatry Residency:
 - Grow the supply of Psychiatry in North Central Wi.
- Multi-County Human Services Model:
 - Achieve greater cost-effectiveness
 - Improve care through collaboration



Thank You and Questions

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