

**JUDICIARY AND LAW COMMITTEE**  
**March 6, 2012**  
**Administrative Center – Room 3220**

<b>MEMBERS PRESENT:</b>	Vicki Burke, Ray Ebert, Bridget Flood, Maureen Freedland, Tammy Gamroth, Karin Johnson
<b>MEMBERS EXCUSED:</b>	Joe Bilskemper
<b>OTHERS PRESENT:</b>	Steve Helgeson, Gloria Doyle, Gary Ingvalson, Doris Daggett, Jeff Wolf, Jay Loeffler, Keith Butler, Bev Heebsh, Helen Cooper, Jan Contreras, Nikki Bunke, Andrew Walter, Terri Pavlic

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 2:30 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 7, 2012 MINUTES OF JUDICIARY AND LAW COMMITTEE**

**MOTION** by Johnson/Gamroth to approve the February 7, 2012 minutes of the Judiciary and Law Committee. **MOTION carried unanimously** (Bilskemper excused)

**CONSENT AGENDA**

- a. Local Emergency Planning Committee meeting minutes of January 19, June 22, July 20, September 21, and November 16, 2011

**MOTION** by Flood/Johnson to approve and accept the above minutes of the LEPC as presented. **MOTION carried unanimously**. (Bilskemper excused)

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

**CONFERENCE/MEETING REPORT**

There were no conference/meeting reports presented.

**FAMILY COURT COMMISSIONER'S ANNUAL REPORT**

Gloria Doyle has been the La Crosse County Family Court Commissioner for the last 6 years and prior to this was the Assistant Family Court Commissioner for 12 years. The Family Court Commissioner's Office deals with family law, including when people start a divorce, temporary hearings, and until divorce is final, and a final hearing is done. The FCC also does temporary and final domestic abuse restraining orders; temporary and final harassment injunctions, child support calendar, entering orders on these cases, enforcement court, contempt motions and follow-ups on these.

In October of 2011, Gloria Doyle was the host for the Wisconsin Family Court Commissioner's Conference. Gloria is now assisting the Black River Falls FCC with their conference. Also, Gloria will be attending the national conference of Association of Family and Conciliation Courts, in Chicago this June.

Family Law Cases: there were 685 cases in 2008; 621 in 2009, 625 in 2010, 660 in 2011.  
Paternity cases: there were 295 in 2008, 208 in 2009, 203 in 2010 and 277 in 2011.

Due to the economy, Gloria has had to sign a lot more Indigency Petitions, which means that if someone is indigent under the poverty guidelines, they can get some fees waived.

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### APPROVAL OF HOMELAND SECURITY/WISCOM UPGRADE GRANT

Keith Butler reported that we applied and received this grant in the amount of \$73,897.50. The grant allows for equipment that upgrades capability to access Wisconsin's statewide radio system (WISCOM). Funds will provide an additional connection to WISCOM for public Safety Communications. Other benefits will be providing connectivity for Gundersen Lutheran's MedLink Air Dispatch Center, the La Crosse County Mass Casualty Team, Town of Campbell Fire Department and Town of Campbell Emergency Management. Keith attended the Implementation Workshop so he is able to train others how to operate these radios on the WISCOM system. **MOTION** by Freedland/Flood to approve the Homeland Security/WISCOM Upgrade Grant. **Motion carried unanimously.** (Bilskemper excused)

### CORRECTIONAL HEALTH CARE COMPANIES UPDATE

Nikki Bunke, Site Manager for Jail Medical, and Andrew Walter, VP of Operations for CHC were both present to give an update. Along with Nikki, there is an RN 40 hrs/week, an LPN 40 hrs/week, and 3 "as needed" fill-ins. They are looking to hire another LPN for a total of 105 LPN hours. The Physician Assistant comes in on weekly basis (6 hours), and there is a new doctor, Dr. Mark Crosby of Gundersen Lutheran who will be joining soon to join the jail medical team.

Nikki distributed an improvement list for Oct. 2010 (when she started) through 2011.

- Intake screenings are done within 24-48 hrs. Priorities are given to people with seizures, heart issues, high blood pressure, diabetes, etc.
- Health & Physicals are being done within 10-14 days of incarceration.
- Non-emergent sick call is done Monday, Wednesday and Friday and triaged accordingly.
- They are giving patient education handouts to people during nurse sick call. (3 days/week).
- Jail nurses do rounds on inmates that are in segregation to make sure their needs are being taken care of from a medical standpoint.
- Making sure there is continuity of care through release of information with the health care facilities.
- They signed a Memo of Understanding with Mental Health Recovery Services to provide continuity of care.
- Individuals now go home with 30 days of meds after filling out a Medication Release and Indemnification form.
- A Medical Unit Discharge Summary form is completed for individuals being released from medical's care with his/her personal medication.

Nikki also distributed jail medical statistics from 2009, 2010, and 2011.

Chair Burke had a question on the Jail Inspection Report regarding data collection and keeping consistent documenting in records. Nikki indicated that this was on medication records. A POR – problem oriented record – is used, but now there is a new format which includes "E" or educational piece. The "E" educational aspect was not being documented. This is a jail inspector preference.

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Chair Burke also questioned the formal referral form to be used by staff. Mr. Walter pointed out that again this is a preference - there is a form being filled out, but this is just the jail inspector's personal preference. This is also the case pertaining to "No evidence of supervisory review of this document". This is also being documented but the jail inspector would like a specific form. Also, the jail inspector would like to see another more formal form generated regarding mental health issues.

### **UPDATE ON DRUG USE TRENDS IN LA CROSSE COUNTY**

Tom Johnson, Investigator/Coordinator and Teri Stoughtenger, Intelligence Analyst, both of West Central MEG (Metropolitan Enforcement Group), which consists of Trempealeau, Jackson, La Crosse, Monroe and Vernon counties, and includes 17 police agencies that are actively involved.

Drugs prevalent in the La Crosse area

- Marijuana and synthetic cannabinoids K2 (or Spice)
- Cocaine
- Methamphetamine
- Bath salts and plant food
- Prescription Drugs (i.e. oxycontin)
- Heroin

In La Crosse County, there were 2 Heroin-related deaths in 2010; 4 in 2011; and 2 so far in 2012.

The West Central Metropolitan Enforcement Group uses ACISS Links Database. It is designed to encompass all of the State of Wisconsin, and all the drug task forces use it.

**NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING: April 10, 2012**

### **ADJOURN**

There being no further business, **MOTION** by Freedland/Flood to adjourn the meeting at 3:55 p.m. **Motion carried unanimously.** (Bilskemper excused)

The above minutes may be approved, amended or corrected at the next Council meeting.

**Recorded by Terri Pavlic**