

LAKE COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH COALITION COMMITMENT FOR 2018

Do what you can.
Start where you are.
Use what you have.

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PURPOSE AND SCOPE OF PLEDGE

The Lake County Community recognizes that the national and local mental health crisis impacts everyone. Co-Chairs Aaron Lawlor and Susan Garrett assembled a community-based initiative made up of a diverse group of stakeholders to address the mental health crisis, strengthen behavioral health services, and develop a sustainable continuum of care.

The pledge is established as a collaborative framework encouraging cooperation, collaboration, communication, policy development, technical guidance, and governance to assist with the efficient and effective coordinated system of care and use our limited resources to provide better behavioral health service.

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WORK TOGETHER

The Coalition and Partners appreciate the willingness of its volunteers, supporters, and staff to assemble and develop a plan to implement an efficient and effective coordinated system of care and to provide better behavioral health services through an integrated system.

All participants agree to work together, including:

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- Be on time and come prepared to contribute. Focus on Mental Health Coalition (MHC) work. Stay mentally and physically present.
- Contribute to meeting goals by sharing ideas, asking questions, and contributing to discussions.
- Share time so that all can participate. Listen with an open mind. Value everyone's contributions.
- It's okay to disagree respectfully and openly, and without being disagreeable.
- Respect the group's time and keep comments brief and to the point.
- Respectfully challenge the idea, not the person.
- Verify decisions are supported by the group, then act upon them.
- Record issues discussed, decisions made, tasks assigned, and share with participants.

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DESCRIPTION OF 2018-2019 FOCUS & WORKING GROUPS

The Coalition will form sub-committees to implement the following Go First strategies in 2018/2019:

- Implement a data sharing pilot: de-identified, unduplicated, aggregated data
- Data governance
- A consistent community-wide anti-stigma campaign
- Engagement with Medicaid Managed Care Organizations (MCOs)
- Influence federal and state laws that can support the active sharing of information to coordinate care while also safeguarding privacy
- Explore funding strategies for a sustainable data sharing program

Sub-committees and work groups will focus on planning and implementation of Go First strategies. The sub-committees will regularly report to the Coalition on their progress, and advise on obstacles and achievements.

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DATA INPUTS

The Coalition Partners have made it a priority to assist in the development of a low-tech solution for available aggregate, de-identified, and unduplicated behavioral health data collection and storage on a quarterly basis. Sources may include:

- Existing programs, pilot programs,
- Emergency departments, health care providers, ICD-10 Codes,
- 911, public safety, jail, crisis response

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PARTIES TO PLEDGE

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Mental Health Collaborative

Lake County Residential Development Corporation

Thresholds

Workforce Development Board

College of Lake County

NAMI Lake County

Lake County United

Healthcare Foundation of Northern Lake County

State's Attorney

Sheriff

19th Judicial Circuit Court Judge

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RESOURCES

There will be continued staff support from Lake County (Amy McEwan, Deputy County Administrator) and the Lake County Health Department (Mark Pfister, Executive Director). The Lake County Health Department will be hiring a Director of Health Informatics who possesses specialized informatics knowledge, theories, and tools.

In addition, Lake County is augmenting the funding (for two years) for the realignment of two positions into a Public Health Informatics Analyst and a Clinical Informatics Analyst to assist the Coalition.

Furthermore, Lake County has engaged an experienced subject matter expert to assist and facilitate the work of the Partners in 2018.

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DISCLAIMER AND DURATION

The pledge includes a disclaimer that Partners continue to have statutory responsibilities relating to the administration of their respective programs outside of, and not a part of, the Coalition.

The pledge's effective date is **February 26, 2018**.

Partners agree that the pledge is effective through **December 31, 2018**.

PLEDGE

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