

MADISON COUNTY
HEALTH DEPARTMENT COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES

The meeting of the Madison County Health Department Committee of the County Board was held at the Madison County Administrative Bldg., Room 203, Edwardsville, IL on June 11, 2025.

Members Present: Michael Holliday Sr.; Jason Palmero; Don McMaster; Chrissy Wiley; Paul Nicolussi; Brynn Kincheloe

Members Absent: Bill Stoutenborough

Others Present: Doug King, Public Health Administrator; Stacey Counton, Office Manager; Deborah Humphrey, Mental Health Board Executive Director.

The meeting was called to order by Michael Holliday Sr., Chair, at 3:00 p.m.

The May 14, 2025 minutes were approved by all Health Department Committee members present.

Public Comment: None

Expense Reports: A motion was made by Chrissy Wiley, and seconded by Brynn Kincheloe, to approve the May 2025, Madison County Health Department and Animal Care and Control Department Expense Summary Report. AYES: Michael Holliday, Sr., Don McMaster, Jason Palmero, Chrissy Wiley, Brynn Kincheloe, Paul Nicolussi. NAYS: None.

Public Health Administrator Report: NDMS or National Disaster Medical System exercise today at the St. Louis Regional Airport. Our Emergency Preparedness Coordinator and our Health Services Director participated.

Animal Control Pens are being delayed due to errors by contractor. Facilities department is working on making sure the project gets back on track.

We have IPLAN community assessment draft data available and will be putting that together for the HDC for the July or August meeting.

Biowatch meeting for the St. Louis MSA and Homeland Security is June 18, 2025. Biowatch is an air sampling program designed to detect biohazards.

We will be attending the Madison County ROE School Safety Summit on July 24, 2025.

Mental Health Board Executive Director Report: Retiring and new appointments - The Board wishes to recognize President, Sarah Calvin and Herb Clay for their dedicated service and leadership of the Mental Health Board. Sarah is outgoing President and Board member who has served from September 2019 -June 2025. Herb was past President and Board member from December 2016 – June 2025. A social event will be held after the June Board meeting in honor of Sarah and Herbs' commitment to the Board.

I have submitted two recommendations for appointment to the Mental Health Board. I am in the process of identifying and meeting with individuals to recommend to Chairman Slusser for appointment.

Opioid Settlement Funding - FY26 Applications for Continuation of Opioid Settlement Funding were closed for submission on May 30th. Original providers (4 and 6) submitted requests. The requests were reviewed and recommendations to be submitted for the Finance Committee and Board to review at the June 26, 2025, Board Meeting. We are looking at the same budget for FY26.

Mental Health Aid to Agencies - The Mental Health Aid to Agencies funding applications were sent out June 12, 2025, and due June 26, 2025. The application was sent to only existing agencies as there will be a decrease in Mental Health Aid to Agency funding. The recommendations for funding will be made at the July 2025 Finance Committee and Board meeting.

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Suicide Prevention - I have had further discussions with Christina Foster, founder of Foster's Light in the Dark, regarding funding of the two events that they sponsor, an annual Drug Overdose Awareness Candlelight Vigil and first Suicide Awareness Candlelight Vigil. They are non-for-profit and tax-exempt status. She has submitted a request for System Development funding. This would be a great investment in supporting awareness and prevention.

Champion for Mental Health Scholarship Program - We will be working with local universities and colleges to market the Champion for Mental Health Scholarships this fall. We will utilize the established application process to award \$10,000 in scholarship funding.

Building Bridges Beyond Crisis: Toward a Fully Integrated Continuum of Care Workshop

There have been further Planning Committee meetings with the Chorus Innovation team for July 8-9 2025, Building Bridges Beyond Crisis: Toward a Fully Integrated Continuum of Care workshop. This will be a joint initiative of Madison County/St. Clair. The workshop is free of cost Chorus will be doing the 2-day workshop is free for attendees and the Mental Health Board will provide lunch and refreshments. Jennifer has created a workshop flyer and registration site and is managing registrations.

1st Day behavioral health providers and stakeholders, 9:30 am – 3 pm -lunch provided, emails sent to broadcast this.

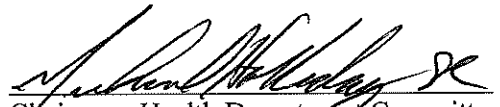
2nd day will share our work with IL state association-hybrid. 9 am – 11 am, share with IL associations ACMHAI, CBHA, IABH virtual.

The workshop supports the work of the Behavioral Health Network Eli and Jodi both play a role in building. The workshop will be held at Chestnut Health Systems, 50 Northgate Industrial Drive, Granite City. The Mental Health Board.

New Business: None

The next scheduled meeting of this committee is **Wednesday, July 9, 2025, 3:00 p.m.**, 157 N. Main Street, County Board Room 203, Edwardsville, IL.

A motion was made by Chrissy Wiley, and seconded by Jason Palmero, to adjourn at 3:14 p.m.


Chairman, Health Department Committee