



# WIsconsin Everyone's Choice

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### What is WIser Choice?

- The public sector treatment and recovery support system for eligible Milwaukee County residents managed by the Behavioral Health Division, Community Services Branch
  - **Age 18-59**
  - Reside in Milwaukee County
  - Indigent or underinsured
  - Substance use disorder



# History of WIser Choice

- Federal Access to Recovery (ATR) Grant
- Received in 2004
- Partnership with DHS/DMHSAS
- One of 32 States
- Fee-for-Service (Voucher) Based Treatment System
- Serves 3,200 annually



# Goals of WIser Choice

- Expand Capacity
- Support Client Choice
- Increase Faith-based Providers
- Focus on Recovery
  - Recovery support coordination;
  - Recovery support services; and,
  - Recovery check-ups.



# Priority Populations

- Pregnant Women
- IV Drug Users
- Women and families
  - ₩ W-2 and BMCW
- Co-occurring Homeless
- Offenders Reentering from Prison
- Adult & Family Drug Treatment Court
- Veterans



# WIser Choice Funding

- TANF
- ATR
- CA/TL
- MI-WISH
- MI-LINC

- IDP
- IVDU
- ADTC
- FDTC
- BMCW

\$9.3 M/annually in the voucher network



# How do people access services?

- Central Intake Units (CIU) screen for eligibility
  - IMPACT
    - General population
      - Mobile screening at Genesis Detox
      - BHD
  - **UCC** 
    - Hispanic, bilingual, monolingual population
  - M&S Clinical Services
    - General population
      - Mobile screening at Genesis detox
  - Justice Point
    - DTC clients & DP's
  - **WCS** 
    - Criminal justice



# Clinical Levels of Care

- Bio-Med Residential
  - Highest level, co-occurring, medically compromised
- Medically Monitored Residential
- Transitional Residential
  - Outpatient Plus
- Day Treatment
- Outpatient



Recovery Support Coordination is a strength-based case management model that provides the framework for an individualized plan of care to be developed for each participant. The purpose of recovery support coordination is to assist clients to establish their own path to recovery and ensure the client's wellbeing beyond the provision of formal services.



## Recovery Support Services

- Daily Living Skills
- Domestic Violence Services
- Education/Academic Skills Development
  - Housing Assistance
  - Parenting Assistance
    - Parenting Classes
    - Spiritual Support



## Recovery Support Services, cont.

- Anger Management Services
  - Bridge Housing
  - Room and Board
  - Community Employment
    - Childcare
  - Peer Mentoring services



### WIser Choice Outcomes

- One of the top 3 performing sites in the Nation
- Exceeds Relative Change in 80% of the outcomes collected
- Recovery Check-up is also at 80% follow up rate



# Questions





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#### Milwaukee WIser Choice

#### WIser Choice, ATR-3 Years 1-2, NOMS, Change Intake to 6 Months After

Sample: WIser Intakes 10-1-10 to 9-30-12 excluding IDP, ADTC, and MiLINC (N=3916)

			Absolute	Relative	Rel. Chg.
NOMs CATEGORY (with alternatives)	At Intake	At 6 Months	Change	Change	National*
Abstinent Alcohol 30 Days	53.3%	87.1%	+33.8%	+63.4%	+17.3%
Abstinent Drugs 30 Days	42.5%	93.8%	+51.3%	+120.7%	+20.4%
Permanent Housing	67.9%	66.1%	-1.8%	-2.7%	+29.8%
Employed, Full- or Part-time <sup>a</sup>	19.1%	28.7%	+9.6%	+50.3%	+47.7%
Employed OR Enrolled School/Training	25.2%	40.0%	+14.8%	+58.7%	+49.6%
Arrested Past 30 Days	33.4%	6.4%	-27.0%	-80.8%	-52.7%
Arrested Past 6 Months	35.8%	12.6%	-23.2%	-64.8%	N.A.
No Supportive Family, Friend or Group	15.2%	10.3%	-4.9%	-32.2%	-0.8%

<sup>\*</sup>Relative Change National from SAIS ATR-3 downloads 8-12-12 (Employment, Arrests) and 7-8-2013 (All Others)

#### Milwaukee Wiser Choice Charts, Intake vs. 6 Month















