

# GREEN LAKE COUNTY DHHS

## CHILDREN AND FAMILIES UNIT

Wisconsin's CPS Program is State-Supervised and County-Administered in 71 Counties

The Role of the County is to:

- Determine if information received meets the States definitions.
- Initiate and Complete Investigations of the alleged maltreatment.
- Determine if a child is safe.
- Determine if the child & family need services.

## 2017 STATISTICS

IN WISCONSIN, 27,226 CASES WERE SCREENED INTO CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES.

Green Lake County Total Service Reports- 265

- Screened In- 91
- Screened Out- 174

Type:

Child Welfare- 125

Juvenile Justice- 39

Other- 7

## 2017 STATISTICS

Screened in by maltreatment type:

Physical Abuse- 36

Neglect- 56

Sexual Abuse- 29

Emotional Damage- 3

Unborn Child Abuse - 6

## DRUG ENDANGERED CHILDREN

### Definition:

Children who are harmed by parents' use, distribution, or manufacturing of illegal drugs or prescription medications.

### Mission:

Collaborative teaming between Law enforcement, Human Services, Courts and other community partners.

### Intervention:

Effective Investigation and Prosecution.

### Treatment/Service:



Picture of multiple weapons that were discovered at a meth house in Green Lake County where children were involved.

## PHYSICAL ABUSE DEFINED:

▪ 'Physical injury inflicted on a child by other than accidental means'

▪ Includes:

- Fractured Bones
- Lacerations
- Burns
- Internal Injuries
- Severe or frequent bruising or great bodily harm.

## Physical Abuse

FATHER/SUSPECTED HOUSEHOLD MEMBER INFLECTED PHYSICAL FORCE UPON THIS CHILD WHILE UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF SEVERAL ILLEGAL SUBSTANCES.



## PHYSICAL ABUSE



Child was "stamped" on the buttocks.

You can see a shoe print in the broken blood vessels.

The bruising by the buttrack is determined to be an old injury but "likely" from similar force per a Child Abuse Specialist at Children Hospital.

## PHYSICAL ABUSE

Subdural Hematoma — "Brain Bleed"

- This three week old baby had significant seizures due to blunt force trauma to the head.
- The circle impressions are from significant force applied by a round object — suspected to be from onesie snaps.
- Additional issues include inability to use any upper body muscles and child is fed via G-tube.
- The DA's office is waiting on a full medical report to file charges against the father.
- Drug abuse is known and confirmed by the father who is presently incarcerated on other matters.



## DRUG EFFECTED CHILDREN:

### Methamphetamine Drug Bust in Green Lake County



- Parents 2<sup>nd</sup> Offense
- Mother and Father Arrested
- 2 children Placed in Foster Care
- Parents have been criminally charged for maintaining a drug trafficking house.

## PHYSICAL NEGLECT

Failure, refusal or inability on the part of a parent...for reasons other than poverty, to provide necessary care, food, clothing, medical or dental care or shelter so as to seriously endanger physical health.

## DIRTY HOME





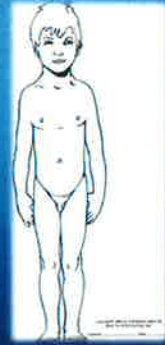
## SEXUAL ABUSE

- Sexual intercourse with a child
- A person inducing a child to engage in sexually explicit conduct.
- A person encouraging or permitting a child to engage in sexually explicit conduct.
- Any person causing a child to view or listen to sexual activity
- Any person exposing genitals to a child
- Any person permitting or encouraging a child to engage in prostitution

## DRAWINGS USED FOR INVESTIGATING SEXUAL ABUSE IN CHILDREN:



CPS uses pictures to help children identify body parts and touches that they may have experienced.

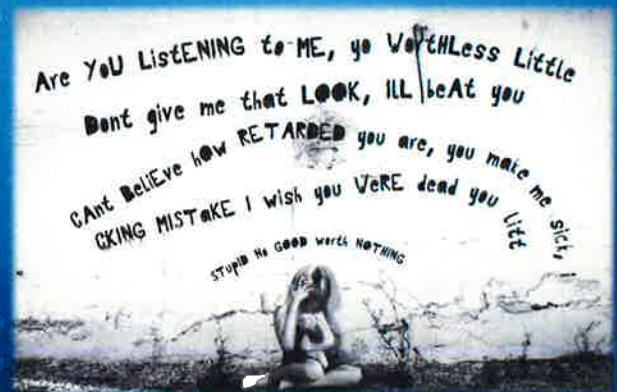


## EMOTIONAL DAMAGE

Failure on the part of the parents to provide the necessary care (treatment) for a child.



## EMOTIONAL DAMAGE/ABUSE



## GOALS FOR GREEN LAKE COUNTY CHILDREN AND FAMILY UNIT

- Drive improvement efforts and focus at the local level by defining the programs.
- Promote consistency in practice.
- Establish good parameters for good practice.
- Align the training system, policies, quality assurance and day to day practice with common values/principle.
- Work together with all systems to improve practice over all care and services for the families.

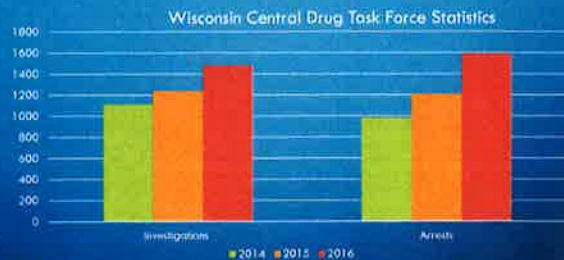
## CHILDREN AND FAMILIES PREVENTION INITIATIVES

- The Child at Risk Program
- The Community Response Program

**PREVENTION  
WORKS!**

## GREEN LAKE COUNTY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH UNIT

## SUBSTANCE MISUSE ON THE RISE



## WISCONSIN CENTRAL TASK FORCE STATS CONTINUED

- Number of Methamphetamine grams seized (933.53) tripled the amount of heroin seized (333.89) in 2016.
- Since 2014 the amount of Methamphetamine seized has increase by 10 times the amount.

## LOCAL DATA

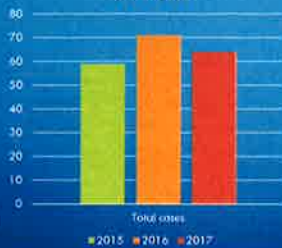
Green Lake County Statistics



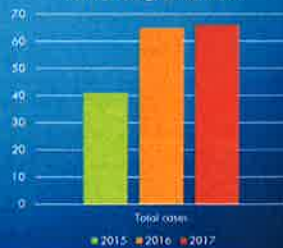
- WI DOC records indicate 80% of the persons on supervision between 1/1/15 and 6/30/17 had identified Substance Abuse needs and 83% at a moderate or higher risk to re-offend
- EMT's in Berlin administered Narcan 52 times from May 2015 to September 2017

## GREEN LAKE COUNTY COURT DATA

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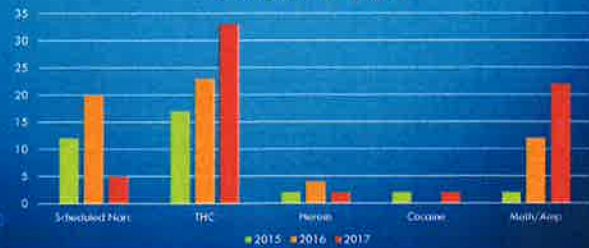


Felony Drug Case Data



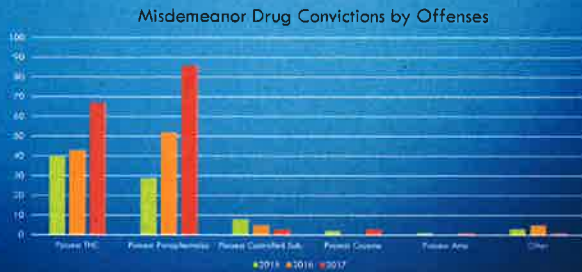
## GREEN LAKE COUNTY COURT FELONY DRUG DATA BROKEN DOWN BY TYPE

Convictions by Drug Type





## GREEN LAKE COUNTY COURT MISDEMEANOR DRUG RELATED CASE DATA



## VISION STATEMENT

- To foster community based mental health and substance abuse services in a person-centered environment. We strive to provide accessible and timely resources in a professional manner to all people in need.

## BEHAVIORAL HEALTH UNIT RESPONSE

### Green Lake County Treatment Court Program

- Launched in 2017 in response to the devastation caused by addiction in our community. Treatment Courts are the most effective criminal justice intervention for breaking the cycle between substance misuse and criminal behavior. The multi-disciplinary Treatment Court team assesses the progress of participants in the program.

### Moral Reconciliation Therapy (MRT)

- MRT is the premiere cognitive behavioral program for substance abuse treatment and criminal justice defendants. It is an intensive group therapy program designed to restructure thinking patterns. MRT can also decrease recidivism or parole program reentry.

### Seeking Safety

- Integrated treatment for trauma and substance abuse. Seeking Safety is a 12-week, 15-session, 90-minute, individualized, evidence-based program.

## BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES INITIATIVES

- Tracking of AODA assessments and treatment to determine the length of time between initial contact, assessment and treatment engagement
- Researching and networking with providers for the implementation of a vivitrol program
- Expanding contracts with outside providers to meet treatment needs
- Exploration of Prevention Strategies
- Seeking and applying for grants to assist with the development of a care navigator position

# THIS IS PUBLIC HEALTH

The Public Health Perspective on Substance Abuse in Green Lake County

## GREEN LAKE COUNTY STATISTICS

- Opioid Related Hospitalizations have increased 315% from 19 in 2006 to 79 in 2016!
- Over half (54%) of controlled substance prescriptions in Green Lake County are written for people aged 55 and up.
- 22 % of all deaths in Green Lake County in 2015 listed alcohol and other drug abuse as a contributing cause of death.

## HUMAN HEALTH HAZARDS RELATED TO METH HOMES



## PUBLIC HEALTH'S ROLE IN METH HOUSES





## COMMUNICABLE DISEASE

- Injection drug use is currently the most common means of Hepatitis C transmission in the United States.
- The CDC estimates the prevalence of Hepatitis C among people who inject drugs to be approximately 53%.
- New Hepatitis C cases in Green Lake County have doubled from 7 in 2007 to 14 in 2017!



## HOW DO WE CHANGE THINGS?

- Requires a comprehensive approach utilizing multiple community stakeholders.
- AODA is one of the priority areas that the Health Department is working on in our five-year Community Health Improvement Plan.
- Our primary focus is on the Prevention and Harm Reduction Pillars.



## PREVENTION--REMOVING UNUSED PRESCRIPTION DRUGS FROM THE COMMUNITY



## PREVENTION--ENCOURAGING SAFE USE OF PRESCRIPTION PAIN MEDICATION



## PREVENTION--COMMUNITY EDUCATION/ OUTREACH



## PREVENTION- EDUCATING ON THE CONSEQUENCES OF SUBSTANCE ABUSE



## PREVENTION--COMMUNITY HEALTH ACTION TEAM MENTORING PROGRAM



## HARM REDUCTION- NARCAN TRAINING

- Somewhat controversial aspect of combating the rising substance abuse problems
- This approach accepts that abstinence may not that It be a realistic goal for some drug users, particularly short term.
- Involves activities such as Narcan training or needles exchanges to help keep individuals as safe as possible while using.

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