

Finding Better Futures through Evidence and Advocacy

HOPE AHEAD | WAFCA 2021

WAFCA Virtual Leadership Summit

AGENDA March 11 & 12, 2021

March 11

9:30 AM Welcome & Icebreaker

9:45 AM **Forming Equitable Communities: A Way Forward**
Michele Mackey, CEO/ED Kids Forward

10:15 AM **Capitol Update**
Emily Coddington and Kathy Markeland, WAFCA

11:30 AM **Rep. Amy Loudenbeck, Vice-Chair, Joint Committee on Finance**
As Wisconsin turns toward COVID recovery, the State Legislature's Joint Committee on Finance plays a pivotal role in setting the priorities to put our communities back on track toward better futures. As a longtime advocate for Wisconsin's children and families, Rep. Loudenbeck will share the fiscal challenges and opportunities facing the state at this critical moment.

Noon Adjourn to Afternoon Legislative Visits



March 12

8:30 -9:30 AM **Executive Exchange: Coffee with Colleagues**
Exclusively for our WAFCA executive leaders, this conversation will kick off a new monthly series featuring member executives sharing a cup of coffee and conversation. Gather around our virtual table and prepare for some valuable lessons in leadership.

9:30 AM **Lt. Governor Mandela Barnes, State of Wisconsin**
WAFCA is honored to welcome Lt. Gov. Barnes to our 2021 WAFCA Leadership Summit where he will reflect on the administration's progress through the first two years and share insights on the administration's initiatives to root out racial disparities and advance a more equitable Wisconsin for all.

10:00 AM **Milwaukee Mental Health Redesign – A Lesson in Private/Public Partnership**
Late last year Milwaukee County announced a significant development in a decade-long effort to reform Milwaukee's behavioral health delivery system and found a new joint venture mental health emergency center. Hear from a panel of key players who are building a new vision for Milwaukee as they explore the lessons they are learning about partnership and progress and what their experience can mean for other regional efforts to address the mental health needs of Wisconsin's communities.
Featuring: *Amy Herbst*, Children's Wisconsin; *Joy Tapper*, Milwaukee Health Care Partnership; *Michael Lappen*, Milwaukee County Behavioral Health; and *Peter Carlson*, Aurora Advocate Behavioral Health Services

11:00 AM Break

11:15 AM **Rep. Evan Goyke, Joint Committee on Finance**

Among the many disruptive forces at work in Wisconsin today is our pressing need to advance meaningful youth justice reform. As one of only three states in the country that continues to treat 17-year-olds as adults in our criminal justice system, this legislative session is an opportunity to enact pivotal changes and align with best practice evidence in youth development. A committed leader in criminal justice reform efforts that reach across the aisle, Rep. Goyke will share opportunities in the coming session to once again make Wisconsin a leader in youth justice.

Noon Wrap up and Adjourn

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