Criminal Justice: Moving beyond diversion to deflection
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• Advocate for your issues “Get to know your legislator, before you need your legislator.”
  • At Capitol Lobby Days
  • In District Meetings
  • Individual stories that illustrate the data

• Wisconsin’s path to legislation and policy regarding Mental Health issues.
  • Legislative Council Study Committees – June through Dec. even years
  • Speaker’s Task Force Initiatives – As Assigned
  • University of Wisconsin-Madison School of Public Affairs - Family Impact Seminars – Two per Session
• **2013 Speaker’s Task Force on Mental Health**
  - Establish and Train Crisis Intervention & Mobile Crisis Teams
  - Establish a Pediatric Telephone Consultation Line
  - Provide Funding and Support for Peer-Run Respite Centers

• **2015 Speaker’s Task Force on Alzheimer’s and Dementia**
  - Dementia Crisis Unit Pilot Program
  - Mobile Crisis Unit Training Funding

• **2017 Speaker’s Task Force on Foster Care**
  - Statewide Network for Referrals to Community-Based Services
  - Limited Release of Mental Health Information to Out-of-Home Care Providers and Welfare Agencies
Legislative Study Committees

• Problem-Solving Courts, Alternatives and Diversions
• Supporting Healthy Early Brain Development
• Review of Emergency Detention and Admission of Minors under Chapter 51
Treatment and Diversion Map

Calendar Year 2017
Wisconsin Counties and Tribes
Treatment Alternatives and Diversion (TAD) Funded Programs

The courts in Vilas and Menominee counties represent courts operated by the Lac du Flambeau and Menominee Tribes.
Committee on Mental Health

- **AB 538**
  - Prohibits the transfer of an individual from a hospital's emergency department for emergency detention until a hospital employee or medical staff member determines the transfer is medically appropriate.
  - EMTALA requires that anyone entering an emergency department must be stabilized and treated regardless of their insurance status or ability to pay.
  - Specifies the actions that satisfy the duty to warn of the dangerousness of a person, and provides immunity from civil and criminal liability for actions taken in good faith to warn of dangerousness.

- **AB 517**
  - Gives people the option to indicate an invisible disability on a driver’s license and vehicle registration.