

## ROCK COUNTY, WISCONSIN

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## Rock County Board Chair Seeking Persons Interested in Serving on the Rock County Behavioral Health Redesign Steering Committee

Rock County is seeking community members to join its Behavioral Health Redesign Steering Committee (BHRSC). The Rock County Board of Supervisors established the BHRSC in March 2012, to bring stakeholders involved with the behavioral health system together, on a regular basis, to discuss issues affecting the system, resolve problems, and plan for the future. The aim of the BHRSC is to facilitate the implementation of a broad system quality improvement process that will lead to improved outcomes for Rock County residents experiencing mental illness and/or substance use disorders. Through the effort of this committee, these individuals will experience improved access to effective treatment and supports and decreased involvement in the justice system. A committee of 23 stakeholders and community members serve on this advisory committee. Current members include Rock County Human Services Department, Rock County Board of Supervisors, Mercy Health, Beloit Counseling Care, Rock County Sheriff's Department, Wisconsin Department of Corrections, Rock Valley Community Programs, Crossroads Counseling Center, and more. Rock County is seeking a diverse range of community members with an interest in collaborative behavioral health system improvement through this initiative to join the committee. This body meets quarterly (3rd Thursday of February, May, August, November) at Noon.

Rock County residents are encouraged to submit their interest to serve as a community representative on the Behavioral Health Redesign Steering Committee by 8:00 a.m. on May 8, 2023, through the newly created online portal on the Rock County website. The portal can be found at this link <a href="https://www.co.rock.wi.us/residents/join-a-committee">https://www.co.rock.wi.us/residents/join-a-committee</a> or by clicking on "Residents" at the top of the County's website and following the link to join a committee. This portal can be used by residents to express their interest in serving on any County committee that has community representatives.

Any questions about the work of this group can be directed to Elizabeth Pohlman McQuillen, Justice System Manager, at pohlman@co.rock.wi.us.