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## Annual Report: 2018-2019 – 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of WATCP

**President's Message:** In 2004 a core group of treatment court professionals banded together to form WATCP. A few months later in May of 2005, they held their first conference at a UW-extension building in Stevens Point. Former NADCP CEO West Huddleston was the keynote speaker. To the pleasant surprise of the board, 83 people attended the day long event. So many, they ran out of lunches. From these "rag tag" (that's how they described themselves) beginnings, WATCP has grown to its current membership of over 500 spread across nearly 90 courts. We are on track to hold our largest conference ever.

Your association has seen remarkable success over the last year. We completed a multi-year effort along with NDCI and WI DOJ to revise and publish our Wisconsin Drug Court Standards. Along with our traditional coordinators and statewide conferences, we partnered with the Director of State Courts (DSC) to hold another (likely recurring) seminar just for judges. Finally we have expanded on a number of measures, designed to keep our members and sponsors more informed and involved. Our new website, social media presence, expanded newsletters and emails will enhance members and sponsors ability to access critical information, get treatment court news and connect with peers.

This year's conference boasts a wide variety of speakers from many national and statewide organizations who will provide the best and most current information for use in your courts. Similar to NADCP, we too will focus on equity and inclusion in your courts. We will continue our emphasis on experiential learning through a series of hands on exercises. We are partnering with Justice for Vets to hold a "mentor boot camp" for our veteran mentors in vets court. Last but not least, there will be ample time to network at our association meet and greet and be inspired by our graduate panels and a Native-American drum ceremony to honor our veterans.

Don't expect things to slow down after the conference. We are already involved with national and state organizations to write standards and performance measures for vets, mental health and OWI courts, pilot a self-assessment tool for courts, develop peer courts and conduct organized strategic planning for treatment courts statewide. Along with the budgeted increase in TAD we look forward to increasing our membership as we provide them with training at our regular conferences and other training events for newer courts. We will continue to advocate with the new administration and our friends in the legislature for expansion of standards based treatment courts as an effective criminal justice alternative.

As always, thanks for everything you do to support treatment courts and better the lives of our participants.

# **Summary of Accomplishments:** Planning:

- Continued Collaboration with Michigan Assoc Treatment Court Professionals and Tennessee Assoc. of Recovery Court Professionals
- Began initial planning for 2019 coordinators and 2020 statewide conferences
- Participated in statewide committees for implementation of treatment court self-evaluation tool, peer review and statewide treatment court strategic planning

#### **Training:**

- Conducted 2018 annual statewide conference with 510 attendees (8% increase over 2017)
- Conducted 2018 coordinators conference with 85 attendees
- Partnered with Director of State Courts to conduct Judicial Treatment Court Seminar with 54 tribal and circuit court judges attending

#### **Committees/subcommittees:**

- Bylaws: revised existing bylaws
- Standards: published Revised State Treatment Court Standards and began work on addendums for Veterans, mental health and OWI courts.
- Law enforcement: presentations at conferences, partnered with other agencies to plan 2019 Opioid/Meth Summit.
- Equity and Inclusion: addition of policy statement to bylaws, Data collection.

#### Financial/sponsorship:

- Ended FY18 with surplus Increased revenue by nearly \$40k
- Use of flat rate fee agreements to maximize conference attendance.

#### Legislative/outreach:

- Working with NADCP to coordinate Wisconsin contingent to participate in 2019 Capitol Hill Day
- Presented or vendor at 8 different conferences
- Continued WATCP presence on 2 statewide criminal justice committees
- Published quarterly newsletters to the membership
- Launched updated website with member benefits.
- Increased social media presence.



WATCP at 2018 Judicial Conference



NADCP CEO Terrence Walton at 2018 Statewide Conference



WATCP at 2018 Opioid Conference

Financials: for fiscal year ending June 30 2018

 Budgeted
 Actual Y.T.D.
 % of Budget

 Total Revenues
 \$120,965
 \$166,909
 137.98%

 Total Expenditures
 \$122,186
 \$152,501
 124.81%

Surplus/(Deficit) (\$1,221) \$14,40

Total Assets = liabilities: \$72,582.26









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