

**Medicaid Administrative Dollars
At UW-Green Bay Behavioral Health Training Partnership**

The counties in our membership have decided not to claim Medicaid Administrative dollars for individuals to attend trainings. This allows us to utilize Medicaid match funds (50%) for provision of trainings that increase knowledge of billable behavioral health services, such as crisis and evidence based behavioral health practices, such as Trauma Informed Practice, Dialectical Behavioral Therapy, Motivational Interviewing, etc. The exception to this is CCS (Comprehensive Community Services), which has different guidelines for training and for Medicaid Administrative funds. We cannot use Medicaid match for CCS.

We had to work with the Department of Health Services (Pat Cork and Brad Munger) to set up an account for the University since we are not a Medicaid provider. It was set up because we administer the crisis grant for our region. Medicaid can be used to match trainer fees, materials, travel, but not food. Thus we set our fees according to food costs. Currently, the going rate for food is \$30/day, but we anticipate that will increase as of January 1, 2017 to \$35/day. Our Steering Committee has decided that the provision of food and beverages is an important piece of the training experience, so voted to raise fees rather than cut out food for trainings.

We have a separate account for catering and a separate account for non-Medicaid activities, such as meetings and associated expenses. We are very careful to keep the accounts separate due to auditing purposes.