



Member Connection
October 27, 2021



Effects of Memes and Meme Type on COVID-Related Stress and Coping Efficacy
<https://www.apa.org/pubs/journals/releases/ppm-ppm0000371.pdf>

Agenda

COVID Updates

Other State Updates

State Policy

WAFCA Member Meeting

COVID Updates

- ▶ 7-day average: 1,865 ↓ and 926 ↓ hospitalized
- ▶ Total vaccinated: One dose - 57.6%; Fully vaccinated - 54.9%
- ▶ DHS Update ([10.25.21](#))
 - ▶ Boosters (J & J approved)
 - ▶ Children 5-11 (approval anticipated first week of November)
- ▶ [EEOC Guidance on Religious Exemptions](#) ([National Law Review](#), 10.27.21)

Other State Updates

DCF

- ▶ [Runaway and Homeless Youth Programs](#) (11.11.21)
- ▶ [Family Support Emergency Funds Grant](#) (12.31.21)

DHS

- ▶ DHS 75 published 10.25.21. Effective date October 1, 2022.
- ▶ DCTS technical assistance available
 - [Revised DHS 75 Implementation webpage](#)
 - [Join the email list for "Revised DHS 75 Implementation"](#)
 - Questions can be submitted using this [online form](#)
- ▶ [Governor's Health Equity Council](#)
 - Targeted Programming for Under-Resourced Communities Subcommittee Listening Sessions
 - Nov 7, 6-7 PM & Nov 9, 10-10:45 AM (Proposals include policies for growing diverse MH workforce)

DSPS

- ▶ Discussion with Clinical Supervisors - details regarding staffing, upcoming IT projects and other potential streamlining options (contact kmarkeland@wafca.org for meeting notes)

State Policy

Wisconsin Legislature

- ▶ [SB 245](#)/AB 185 - Safe Harbor Bill passed out of Senate Committee but lost Republican votes
- ▶ Assembly floor session 10.26: workforce housing bills
- ▶ Moving out of Assembly committee today: CAN Leg Council Bills (AB [423](#), [424](#), [425](#)) subsidized guardianship payments ([AB 503](#))
- ▶ Hearing today in [Senate Insurance, Licensing & Forestry](#)
 - ▶ AB 592/[SB 562](#) Medicaid for 12 months post partum
 - ▶ [SB 657](#) - removal of SUD specialty for master's level social workers

WAFCA Member Meeting...Going Virtual



10AM-2:30PM, Via Zoom ([Register today](#))

Featuring interactive discussions and engagement with leaders in the field:

- Wisconsin Workforce Trends from a Human Services Perspective
Dale Knapp, Forward Analytics
- 1% Better
Dr. Mechele Shipman, Anu Family Services
- Dialogue on Future of HS Workforce
- DHS Secretary-Designee **Karen Timberlake**

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