




# NEW Mental Health Connection Member Meeting

Thursday, July 13, 2023



Welcome to “Hybrid”!  
Thanks for being here...  
In-person AND by Zoom

# AGENDA

- **Agency Spotlight:** Samaritan's Wellness Screen Program – 10 years!
- **New project announcement:** DRIVE Health Project – Project Director, Tiffany Yang & Collaborating Partners
- **Keynote Speaker Announcement:** 2<sup>nd</sup> LGBTQ+ Mental Health Summit
- **REMINDER:** “Just For Me” Series 2023



**The Connection**  
N.E.W. MENTAL HEALTH



# The Connection: Program Spotlight



**Samaritan**  
WELLNESS SCREEN



# Why screen at school

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American Academy of Pediatrics recommends annual psychosocial screening for adolescents

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Half of all lifetime mental health disorders begin by age 14

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Approximately 1 in 4 (25%) adolescents experience mental disorders that result in severe impairment

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Although many disorders can be treated, almost half of adolescents with mental health issues do not receive treatment

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Mental health care may occur across a variety of settings, including educational and primary care

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(SAMHSA, AAP, NAMI)

Why screen  
in schools?

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Students are there

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Safe and structured  
environment

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Relationships matter



# School Districts

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Appleton Area School District

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Brillion Public

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Chilton Public Schools

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Kaukauna Area School District

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Little Chute Area School District

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New Holstein school District

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Oshkosh Area School District

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School District of Hilbert

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School District of New London

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School District of Omro

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Seymour Community School District

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Stockbridge School District

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Unified School District of De Pere

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Winneconne Community School District

# Grade Levels

All school districts screen at least one grade level in high school

- 9 screen at 9<sup>th</sup> grade
- 6 screen at 10<sup>th</sup> grade
- 7 screen at 11<sup>th</sup> grade
- 2 screen at 12<sup>th</sup> grade

11 school districts screen at least one grade level in middle school

4 school districts screen at least one grade level in K-5<sup>th</sup> grade

# Youth Report: Screen

Grades 6th-12th

Pediatric Symptom Checklist- Youth PLUS

PLUS includes questions about:

- Risk factors associated with depression, anxiety, and suicidality such as rumination, belongingness, burdensomeness, and capability
- Non-suicidal self injury
- Suicide ideation
- Suicide attempts
- Alcohol and substance abuse (CRAFFT)



## Recommendations for Mental Health Care

Urgent evaluation

Further mental health evaluation by mental health or medical provider

Continue with current treatment

Connect to school counselor or other school staff

No recommendation at this time,  
recommend annual mental health screening



# Youth Report: Case Management

Telephone contact with parent/guardian

Verbally discuss results of screen and interview

Listen to parent/guardian concerns

Discuss recommendations for mental health care

Provide resources for mental health care

Offer ongoing support to connect to mental health care

# Parent Report

Grades K-5<sup>th</sup>

PSC-General PLUS

Parent/Guardian completes the screen

Thresholds for Potential Concerns: Overall and subscales from PSC-G, risk factors, NSSI, SI and SA

Follow-up interview with parent/guardian

Case Management

Why do we  
need to ask?

Research has shown that asking about suicide can reduce feelings of suicide ideation

4 out of 5 students teens who attempt suicide give a clear warning, most often this is TALKING about suicide

One conversation can make a difference

(Mental Health America & Mayo Clinic)

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# Wellness Screen 2022-2023 Stats:

A total of 8,789 students across 14 school districts (60 sites) were offered a mental wellness screen

MOST parents/guardians WANT their student to participate. Only about 5% opted their student out of the program this year

MOST students participate! Less than 20% of students (19.3%) chose not to participate in the screen

# Wellness Screen 2022-2023 Stats:

Of those who participated in the screen 38.4% were identified with a potential mental health concern

Of those identified with a potential mental health concern:  
63.4% reported depression and anxiety symptoms  
19.4% reported engaging in self-injury in the past year  
21.6% reported experiencing suicidal ideation in the past 90 days  
94 students (4.2%) reported feeling suicidal the day of the screen


Some students ASK for assistance! An additional 33 students screened negative but requested support

# Celebrating 10 years of Wellness Screen Impact!


Since 2012, we've offered the screen to over 83,300 families!



Nearly 40,000 students have participated in the screening.



Over 12,000 students have been identified with a mental health concern.



More than 8,200 of those students have been referred to mental health services.



**THANK YOU FOR 10 YEARS OF  
CARING FOR KIDS!**



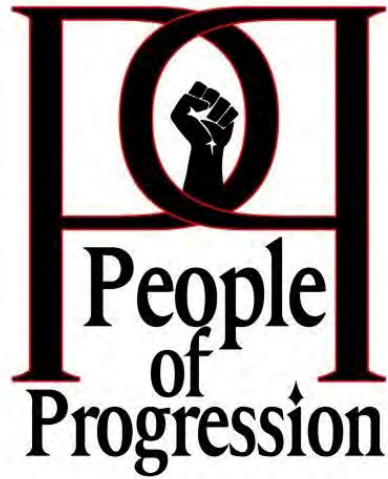
**Samaritan**

W E L L N E S S   S C R E E N



# The D.R.I.V.E Health Project

Our Project Values: Disrupt. Respond. Innovate. Voice. Equity.



Wisconsin  
Community  
Safety Fund



\$1.2 million  
3 years  
2023-2025

# The D.R.I.V.E Health Project

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- Community readiness assessments for Black and Hmong communities to guide implementation of interventions
- Conduct culturally-specific mental health literacy and anti-stigma education campaigns, building protective factors and mental health promotion opportunities
- Offer culturally-specific warmlines
- Relationship building with public health, health systems, crisis system and mental health service providers and creation of culturally competent, trusted referral pathways into and out from systems
- Train Black and Hmong Community Health Workers to provide psychoeducation, low-intensity psychosocial interventions, coping skill and help-seeking behavior building and support groups within the communities
- Build infrastructure to sustain “Health Equity & Suicide Prevention Coordinator” positions in PoP and NEW Hmong Professionals
- Provide cultural competency training for 6 local health systems/mental health providers/resource agencies
- Increase inclusion and representation of people of color in community health needs assessments, community health improvement planning and decision making on community health priorities

# Welcome Tiffany Yang, Project Director



A few words from  
DRIVE Health Project  
collaborating partners:



Wendy Krueger, United Way Fox Cities

Long Vue, NEW Hmong Professionals

2<sup>nd</sup> Annual!

Yes, we are  
doing it  
again!!!



Our keynote  
speaker is...



The Connection  
NEW MENTAL HEALTH

Diverse & Resilient

**LGBTQ  
Mental Health  
SUMMIT**

COMMUNITY - MENTAL HEALTH - TOGETHER

Saturday, Nov. 4, 2023 • Neenah, WI



# ALOK



**Alok Vaid-Menon (they/them)** is an internationally acclaimed author, poet, comedian, and public speaker.

- As a mixed-media artist their work explores themes of trauma, belonging, and the human condition.
- They are the author of *Femme in Public* (2017), *Beyond the Gender Binary* (2020), and *Your Wound/My Garden* (2021) and the creator of #DeGenderFashion: an initiative to de-gender fashion and beauty industries.
- In recognition of their work, they have been honored as the inaugural LGBTQ Scholar in Residence at the University of Pennsylvania and awarded a GLAAD Media Award and Stonewall Foundation Visionary Award.
- Over the past decade, they have toured in more than 40 countries, most recently selling out their runs at the Soho Theatre in London, the Edinburgh Fringe Festival, and the Kennedy Performing Arts Center.

## **Their show has been described as:**

"provocative and powerful" ([CHORTLE \[nam11.safelinks.protection.outlook.com\]](#))

"potent combination of comedy and poetry" ([\[nam11.safelinks.protection.outlook.com\]](#))

"jaw-dropping celestial event" ([TO DO LIST LONDON \[nam11.safelinks.protection.outlook.com\]](#))



# Grab a flyer or two on your way out!!!

## Connection Care: The 'Just For Me' Series

Monthly,  
3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays,  
7:30am-8:30am  
AND  
11:30am-12:30pm,  
by Zoom

- ✓ January 19<sup>th</sup> – MeCPR, Self & Community Care
- ✓ February 16<sup>th</sup> – Rest & Radical Rest
- ✓ March 16<sup>th</sup> – Pandemic Recovery & Grief
- ✓ April 20<sup>th</sup> – Imagination & Curiosity
- ✓ May 18<sup>th</sup> – Science & Biology of Emotion
- ✓ June 15<sup>th</sup> – Personal Processing of Emotion

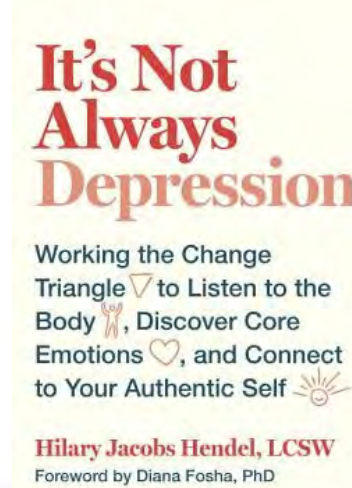
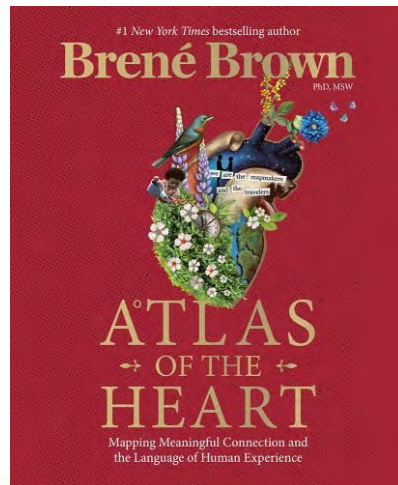
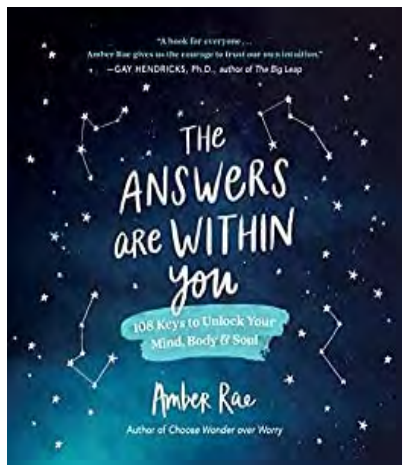
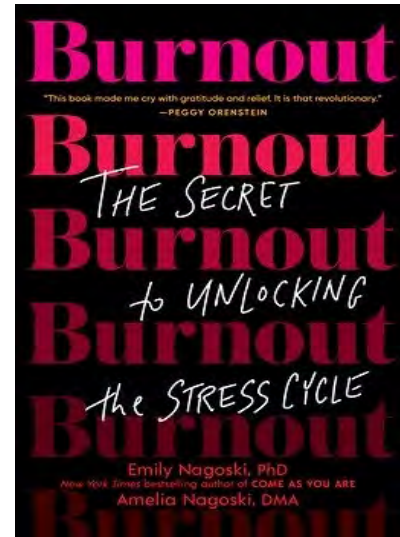
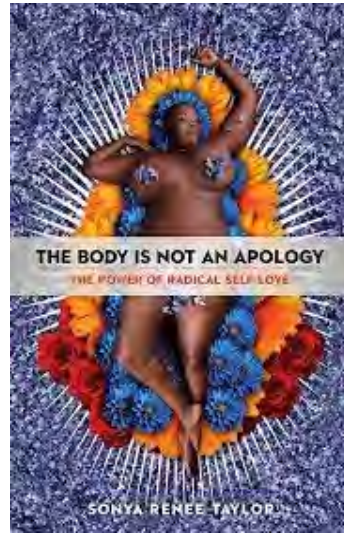
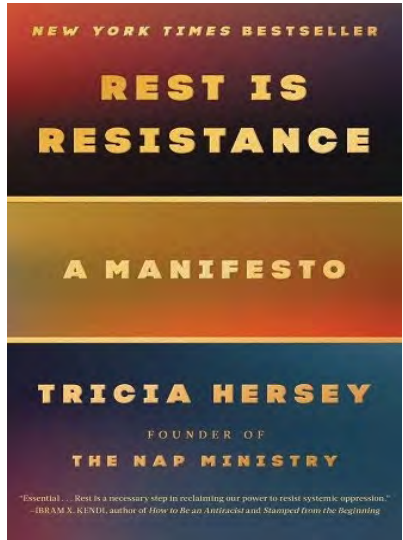


- July 20<sup>th</sup> – Discomfort
- August 17<sup>th</sup> – Both/And
- September 28<sup>th</sup> – Mistake Making
- October 26<sup>th</sup> – Healthy Boundaries
- November 16<sup>th</sup> – Supporting Others
- December 21<sup>st</sup> – Connection is Prevention





# Every month, all Thursday participants will be entered into a raffle to win a book! Check these out...



Slide deck & recording of  
today's meeting can be  
found at:

[www.newmentalhealthconnection.org](http://www.newmentalhealthconnection.org)

**YOU**  
are  
**AMAZING**



**Spotlight on:**

**ROGERS**  
Behavioral Health

**Next Meeting:**

**Thursday, September 14, 2023**

**7:30 – 8:30 AM**