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Wisconsin Increases Efforts to Help Young People Battling Mental Health and Substance Use Disorders

***DHS awarded federal grant of \$3 million over
four years***

The Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS) has announced a new investment to support young people battling addiction and mental health disorders. The Division of Care and Treatment Services (DCTS) applied for, and received, the federal grant to improve treatment for adolescents and youth with substance use disorders and/or mental

health disorders. The grant from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration provides \$760,000 in annual funding for four years starting September 30, 2017.

“This grant supports our efforts in the fight against heroin and prescription drug abuse, as well as the persistent meth problem, and other substance use disorders that we know are affecting young people in many of our communities,” said DHS Secretary Linda Seemeyer. “We know substance use disorders and mental health challenges often go hand-in-hand, so this grant will help us advance our work to best treat people with co-occurring disorders, building on the state’s historic investment in mental health.”

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