



## 2020 Conference -May 6-8



**Let's Fly  
Together:  
Learning through  
a sharing of  
minds!**

### ***From the Desk of the Chair . . . .***

The theme of this year's conference is "Let's Fly Together: Learning through a sharing of minds!" How can we not incorporate into our theme the spirit of aviation with our 2020 conference taking place in Oshkosh. Learning through a sharing of minds; what exactly does this mean? Each year, when the planning committee comes together to choose the topics of the conference, we all have ideas on what topics we would like to hear more about. Collaboratively, we share our ideas and through discussion learn a lot from our fellow planning committee members. We all attend the Financial Managers conference with the expectation to learn more than we currently know. But, the real learning comes from the sharing of minds through networking and relationships we build with our fellow Financial Managers.

This year our conference sessions are trying to adhere to our conference theme. In our opening session, there will be a collaboration between DHS, DCF and WCHSA to show how WCHSA is working with each Department on specific initiatives and we have sessions that bring together both State Personnel and County Financial Managers. We encourage you all to "Fly Together" and attend the 2020 Financial Managers Conference and "Learn through a sharing of minds!" See you in May!



## WHSFMA Conference Planning Committee

Region	Name and County	Term
Northwestern	Joan Finckler, Douglas DHS	2022
North Central	Keri Nelson, Price DHHS	2022
Southern	Vacant	2021
Eastern	Dan Vincent, Kewaunee DHS	2021
Western	Heidi Syvinski, Barron DHHS	2020
Southeastern	Cathy Swenson, Jefferson DHS	2020
State Liaison	Kristen Anchor, DHS	
State Liaison	Sue Losen, DCF	

*WHSFMA is a statewide organization of individuals who are interested in the improvement of their skills for financial support, sharing ideas and information.*

## WHSFMA Board of Directors

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## Schedule of Events

### Wednesday, May 6, 2020

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**11:00 – 12:45 Registration – North Concourse**

**12:45 – 1:00 General Session – Paul L Room**  
**Welcome and Announcements** – Stephanie Box

**1:00 – 1:50 General Session – Paul L Room**  
**DHS Updates & Discussion and WCHSA their role with current DHS initiatives** – Julie Anstett, Director of Area Administration, DHS and Katie Davis, Executive Director, WCHSA

**2:00 – 2:50 General Session – Paul L Room**  
**DCF Updates & Discussion and WCHSA their role with current DCF initiatives** – John Touhy, Director of Regional Operations, DCF and Katie Davis, Executive Director, WCHSA

**2:50 – 3:10 Break – South Breakout**

**3:10 – 4:30 General Session – Paul L Room**  
**From Use-less to Use-full: Transforming the tools you already own** – Michelle Anderson, Professional Speaker, Compose Your World LLC;  
*In this story driven presentation on Life's Use-less and Use-full tools, Michelle combines her own life adventures with her experiences in finance and marketing. With some hands- on fun, you will unwrap the hidden value of your individual life experiences. As a result, you will be motivated to see purpose even in adversity and be more confident and compassionate in team management and customer service.*

**Cash Bar Before/During Banquet – Lobby**

**5:30 Banquet – Athearn Ballroom**

### Thursday, May 7, 2020

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**7:30 – 8:20 Registration – OCC Atrium**

**7:30 – 8:20 Hot Buffet Breakfast – South Breakout**

**8:20 – 9:20 General Session – Paul L Room**  
**CLTS Statewide Uniform Rate Implementation: Phase 3 System Validation of Statewide Rates** – Autumn Knudtson, Deputy Director Bureau of Children's Services, DHS; Donnie LaBarre, Bureau of Fiscal Accountability Management, DHS;

*CLTS Waiver Program Uniform Rate Implementation – Session will include how the phases currently are going/went, things the department is still working on and question and answer.*

**Thursday, May 9, 2019 (Continued)**

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- 9:30 – 10:40 Session I – Paul L Room**  
**GWAAR/ADRC** – Patrick Metz, Fiscal Manager, GWAAR;  
*This session is under construction, please check back for updates.*
- 9:30 – 10:40 Session II – BF Carter/Anna M Room**  
**TSSF/Families First** – David Berndt, Program and Policy Analyst, DCF;  
*This session is learning about the new DCF funding initiatives of Targeted Safety Support Funds, and Families First.*
- 10:40 – 11:00 Break – South Breakout**
- 11:00 – 12:00 Session I – Paul L Room**  
**WIMCR** – Joseph McManus, Consultant, PCG; Jennifer Francken, Consultant, PCG;  
*Representatives from Public Consulting Group(PCG) will answer frequently asked questions as well as discuss monitoring review basics, common desk edits and highlight tool functionality.*
- 11:00 – 12:00 Session II – South Breakout**  
**eWisacwis** – David Berndt, Program and Policy Analyst, DCF; Dana Bohm, DCF; Robin Moravec, Marathon Co; Jennifer Kleckner, Sauk Co;  
*This session will include trust accounts, overpayment, things that the feds are looking for when they come to audit DCF/eWisacwis.*
- 12:10 – 12:40 Business Meeting – Paul L Room**
- 12:40 – 1:30 Buffet Lunch – South Breakout**
- 1:40 – 2:40 General Session – Paul L Room**  
**Becoming Rich without Investing a Dime** – Heather Whittaker, Motivational Speaker and Author;  
*We all love numbers, right? Numbers don't lie; They tell a clear story; It is energizing when debits and credits balance out or when a project meets its ROI. The challenge, however, is when those things happen it only brings us happiness for a short moment in time. Why not be happy ALL the time? Join us as Heather Whittaker, award winning WI children's book author and motivational speaker, shares with us the three basic principles for a happy life: Passion, People, and Purpose. Be authentic, build connections, and bring joy to the world around you. When incorporating these principles into your life, it leads to you living life at a different level - the level of your personal and professional best.*
- 2:40 – 4:00 General Session – Paul L Room**  
**Continuous Quality Improvement to Promote Change and Improve Work-Harmony** – Dana Johnson, Kewaunee Co PHHS Director; Dan Vincent, Kewaunee Co Accounting Specialist; Molly Bennett, Marathon Co Organizational Excellence Program Manager;  
*Did you know you can promote change in your organization to improve work-life harmony through the implementation of Continuous Quality Improvement? We will explore a few models of Continuous Quality Improvement efforts undertaken at Kewaunee and Marathon Co. See the results of efficiency and how this effectively improves work-life harmony.*

**Friday, May 8, 2020**

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**7:30 – 8:20 Hot Buffet Breakfast – South Breakout**

**8:20 – 9:20 General Session – Paul L Room**

**Deciphering Audit Reports/Allowable Costs** – Claudius Lebi, DCF

*This session will review sub recipient monitoring, What DCF looks for and what counties should be including in their contracts, how to do risk analysis, the counties obligation to do reviews, high risk indicators, and the Great Act becomes law: gain a historical perspective on the making of the Great Act as well as lessons from the implementation of its predecessor, the DATA Act and learn key requirements and the impact on federal agencies and grant recipients.*

**9:20 – 10:20 General Session – Paul L Room**

**County Billing Panel and DHS 1** – Nancy Murleau, DHS; Rachel Morgan, Walworth Co; Fay Strenke, St Croix Co;

*This session is intended to create an atmosphere of information sharing, dialogue and support between experienced billers, those just starting out and everyone in between, will include recent changes to DHS 1.*

**10:20 – 10:40 Break – South Breakout**

**10:40 – 11:40 General Session – Paul L Room**

**Reviewing of County Contracts and State Guidance** – Barbara Loescher, Assistant Inspector General, DHS; Kristen Tranel, Walworth Co; Cathy Swenson, Jefferson Co; Jennifer Kleckner, Sauk Co;

*This session will discuss and review state purchase of services (POS) guidance document, present checklist of key items to include in contracts, review and compare existing county contracts.*

**Thank you for attending the 41<sup>st</sup> WHSFMA Conference!**

## **Registration – Deadline is 4/10/20**

To Register for the Conference, you must complete the registration form on line at [www.WHSFMA.org](http://www.WHSFMA.org) for each individual attending. Payment must be mailed in to the address below. Be sure to include payment for additional meals requested for non-registered guests. Fees are non-refundable for no-shows unless cancelled by Wednesday, May 1, 2020.

### **Checks Payable and Mail To:**

WHSFMA Conference  
Jamie Gould, Treasurer  
Iowa County DSS  
303 W Chapel St, Ste 2300,  
Dodgeville, WI 53533

### **Registration Questions/Concerns/Changes:**

Jamie Gould  
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**1 CPE credit = 50 minutes related to your field**

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## **Lodging – Deadline is 4/10/20**

**Best Western Premier Waterfront Hotel & Convention Center  
1 N Main St, Oshkosh, WI 54901**

A block of rooms, subject to state rate, has been established with the above-mentioned hotel; however, hotel reservations/cancellations/payment are the responsibility of the registrants. Below is a link to that block or if calling, ask for the Wisconsin Human Services Financial Management Association group with a block code of WHS. **Best Western Premier Waterfront Hotel & Convention Center will not guarantee the state rate or availability of a room beyond April 10<sup>th</sup>.**

For Reservations by phone: 1-920-230-1900

**Check in Time Starting At: 3:00 p.m. (Firm)  
Check out Time: 11:00 a.m.**

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Fees & Menu

<b>Registration Fees (includes all breaks/meals for the day you register):</b>		
	Full Conference – Wednesday, Thursday, Friday	\$195
	Two-Day Conference – Wednesday & Thursday	\$175
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<b>Add-On Meal Rates (for non-registered conference guests only)</b>		
	Banquet – Wednesday Evening	\$30
	Breakfast – Thursday	\$10
	Lunch – Thursday	\$20
	Breakfast – Friday	\$10

Wednesday:

**P.M. Break:** Fresh Baked Cookies, fresh vegetable tray with dip; and Assorted Sodas

**Banquet Buffet:** Homestyle Buffet, with tenderloin tip bordelaise, homemade coleslaw, potato salad, fresh green beans, mashed potatoes and gravy with oven roasted chicken, rolls and butter, and a variety of fresh baked bars.

Thursday:

**Breakfast Buffet:** Scrambled eggs, American fries, sausage, assorted instant oatmeal, whole fruit, regular and decaffeinated coffee, hot tea and juice.

**A.M. Break:** Build your own parfaits with vanilla low-fat yogurt & Honey Kist granola with strawberry, blueberry, and mango. Regular and decaffeinated coffee.

**Lunch:** Deli Buffet – Build your own sandwiches with turkey, ham and roast beef, assorted sliced cheeses, fresh bread and rolls, pasta salad, potato chips, soup, lettuce, tomato, and onion platter with appropriate condiments.

**P.M. Break:** Assorted brownies and bars, trail mix, and assorted sodas.

Friday:

**Breakfast Buffet:** Scrambled eggs, American fries, bacon, assorted instant oatmeal, whole fruit, regular and decaffeinated coffee, hot tea and juice.

**A.M. Break:** On Wisconsin Stations; Fresh locally sourced cheese curds, Wisconsin cheese and sausage platter, mini Johnsonville brats with plentiful condiments and a fresh vegetable display with dip. Assorted sodas.

If you have dietary restrictions, please email [stephanie.box@saukcounty.wi.gov](mailto:stephanie.box@saukcounty.wi.gov) to see if accommodations can be made.