



Waukesha County
Criminal Justice Collaborating Council
Evidence-Based Decision Making Mental Health Workgroup
Monday, April 11, 2016

Team Members Present:

Menomonee Falls Police Chief Anna Ruzinski (Co-Chair)	HHS Director Antwayne Robertson (Co-Chair)
Attorney Maura McMahon	Captain Dan Baumann
Outpatient Services Admin Gordon Owley	Andrew Hayes of Community Memorial Hospital
NAMI Executive Director Mary Madden	Assistant Corporation Counsel Robert Mueller
DOC Regional Chief Sally Tess	

Team Members Absent:

Inspector James Gumm	Honorable Kathryn Foster
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Others Present: Rebecca Luczaj, Janelle McClain

The meeting was called to order at 2:04 p.m.

Approve Minutes from March 17, 2016

Motion: Ruzinski moved, Baumann second, to approve the minutes from March 17, 2016. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion Regarding July 1, 2016 Law Mandating Mobile Crisis Assessment

Mueller stated that he interprets the law as that the assessment is intended to be done in-person; however, it could be done over the phone if necessary.

There will be a presentation to the Police Chiefs Association on June 1st at 9AM that Robertson, Mueller, and Owley will attend regarding HHS' plan to implement the new statutory requirements.

Currently, the county has crisis workers covering weekdays on 1st and 2nd shifts. By May, the intention is to have weekends and holidays covered as well. Robertson asked Owley for some 3rd shift scenarios we may encounter, and Owley responded that we cannot staff for every possible scenario we may encounter. Owley wondered if hospitals can be used as they have been under the new law.

Luczaj asked what the average number of emergency detentions per day is. Owley said there is an average of 3 emergency detentions per day, and that he expects the call volume to increase under the new law.

Discuss & Consider Recommended Workgroup Change Strategy to Present to EBDM Policy Team on 4/13

The Phase VI application is due in July, so the workgroup needs to look at areas to focus on and incorporate any available data. From there, the logic model and work plan will be discussed.

The workgroup agreed they will focus on 4 change strategies:

- 1) Creation of a respite care facility in Waukesha County
- 2) Increase CIT training for law enforcement in Waukesha County
- 3) Improve discharge/release planning from the Waukesha County Jail and WI prisons
- 4) Implementation of a mobile crisis team in Waukesha County

The CHIPP Initiative targeted offenders leaving the criminal justice system with issues like benefits and medications. Robertson stated that there needs to be more exploration on this. The county's Veterans Services division is starting to work closely with the jail for veterans nearing release from custody. The process should be reviewed to see if there can be an improvement in the discharge plan.

Review DOC Mental Health Data

Tess reported that between May 1 and December 31, 2016, 68 inmates (53 male, 15 female) from WI prisons with Axis 1, Axis 2, and less severe mental health issues are scheduled for release to Waukesha County. The county does not have a way to track those getting help from probation. Luczaj said there will be an upcoming meeting between the state and local policy teams, which will give us the opportunity to share what we are working on locally and explain what we need the state's help with.

Ruzinski wondered if there was a way to track those 68 inmates being released between May 1 and December 31, 2016 to gather data. Some of the data to be tracked could be: How quickly are they getting services? What are the services? Did they reoffend? Etc. Tess said she would look into this; it's possible that DOC could assign someone to track these offenders. We can also look at the level of pre-release planning being done with these inmates while they are still in prison as well.

Continue to Discuss Data Needs

Ruzinski has asked the head of the Police Chiefs' Association to ask the chiefs how many sworn officers they have in their departments, so we can compare that number to how many are CIT trained. The workgroup will need to determine how to make CIT training outcomes measurable in the future so we can assess the impact of the training.

Also being reviewed are the outcomes of those who are emergency detained with CIT-trained officers. If CIT-trained officers are on the scene, perhaps the crisis assessment could be done over the phone, which would also give credibility to the CIT-trained officers.

Madden will compare the total number of full time officers in the county to those who are CIT-trained to determine the percentage of CIT-trained officers in the county.

Discuss Next Steps

The next meeting will be April 28, 2016 at 12:30 p.m., Room G55.

Motion: Madden moved, Tess second, to adjourn the meeting at 3:22 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.