

ALCOHOL & DRUG POLICY COUNCIL (ADPC)

Criminal Justice Sub-Committee

Meeting of June 8, 2020

Teleconference

PRESENT: Barbara Lanza, Brian Austin, Chris Burke, Joan Alexander, Jodi Simmons, Katie Farrell, Michael Hines, Robert Lawlor, Sarah Ali, Sharlene Croteau, Joe Lindheck, Kendall Bobula, Danielle Ebrahimi, Inés Eaton, LaRue McNish, Justin Mehl

Topic	Discussion	Action
Introductions		
Review of Minutes	Reviewed minutes from the 2/20 meeting. Brian Austin moved, second Sharlene Croteau	Approved
Additions to Agenda	none	
Check in re: COVID	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• DOC- LaRue McNish: the number of inmates going down, this has impacted programming- no volunteers, doing ok in DOC (increased activities done by staff)• Mike Hines- Judicial- went back to 9 courts doing level 1 (DV and lock up arrests only). They have leaned on some partners like DOC to do virtual services. They worked to release 225 people being held on 35k bond or less. Providers never missed a beat, worked from home, doing telehealth work. Currently working with DOC to get more video conferencing, next phase will involve cases that will not involve a period of incarceration being able to be disposed (probation, etc). Some clients struggling with opioid addictions- providers looking to re-engage. Thanked States attorney, public defenders, DOC/DMHAS- everyone pitched in• Katie Farrell-Public defender-have been helping to try and find community placements, video conferencing is happening, everyone doing a great job trying to move people through lower level charges. Teamwork in court acknowledged.• Brian Austin- agreed everyone working together to get cases moved along• Barbara Lanza- contracted providers in a matter of days transitioned to have virtual services. AIC all working remotely with all active clients as of June all group services are being conducted (checked in with them immediately via phone). Finding that 50-	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No Action/ updates

	<p>60% have the capability to utilize virtual (video conferencing), if they do not they will call clients and continue to provide services needed. Behavioral health services- all services OP are being delivered, including IOP being done. Have not been able to perform substance testing (MAT connected with quest in order to continue testing). Have delivered 2 rounds of PPEs to residential services, will continue to do that every 2 weeks. Taking new clients, have capacity</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wheeler- all Explore programs being done, all AEP/DEP re-initiated and completed by end of June, all non-profit providers have don't a great job, now accepting new referrals. Funders have been flexible, some additional funding to not have to layoffs • 	
<p>Early Screening Intervention Update</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brief update: significant changes. ESI utilizes a dedicated prosecutor and resource counselor to assist to screen to determine appropriate disposition. • Pilot program that started in 2017 in 2 locations- then expanded to 6 courts. After an arrest, as case comes to court (for clients released to community not lock up), prosecutor screens for need for services and will get them hooked up with resource counselor to get client into treatment in expedited manner. • Funding through Sept. 30th of this year. • Transition period- Personnel changes- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Brian leaving the role (he is transitioning to Civil cases) will transition over to newly assigned State's Attorney - Hoping to get additional resources (funding) for after 9/2020. - Justin- DMHAS- very impressed with the programming, passionate and commitment to the work was very evident - Chris Burke- made a good bye to Brian, Chris will do what he can to support ESI, results are excellent and hoping it will continue. - 	
<p>Alcohol Use Disorder ED Protocols (Joe and Jodi)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Background- individuals are released so quickly from ED over and over, so could we improved ED hospital discharge programming (can we divert from arrests). 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Brian Austin: alcohol is a factor that they look at and they track it and they see the impact - Justin from DMHAS Alcohol is 50% of people served throughout the DMHAS system. - Chris Burke- prevalence of DUIs, anytime someone responds to the scene the risk to the individual responding increases dramatically with alcohol use - Jodi: working with the Bristol Cobra group. - Joee: Alcohol use data in CT: 170,000 people have AUD, 164,000 do not have access to treatment. CT has high amounts of excessive drinking. Recommends consideration of using medication to assist with alcohol use disorder. - CT recovery coaches respond to all individuals who use all substances. Currently have Recovery Coaches in 20 hospitals. They have launched a telehealth feature as well. - What is going on around the country? Bridge program out of California, one in Oregon, one in Bellevue hospital in NYC (ran a list of people who were in the ED multiple times in year they could offer them programming. Study was just completed, outcomes pending) - Mike Hines from Judicial- wanted to thank Jodi and Joee for offering virtual training to TPP staff 	
<p>Possible Recommendations</p>	<p>The following list includes ideas identified to be discussed by the sub-committee members. (Ideas that will not be pursued by the CJ subcommittee and those already addressed have been removed.)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Address recidivism in the behavioral health system: Loel Meckel to develop a proposal for review. • Maintain/expand Early Intervention Screening: pending • Review service array to analyze duplication (Juvenile Justice Inventory of Services) • Improve connection to care: Share discharge/treatment information from DOC to community providers for a seamless transition and avoid duplication • Opioid Fatality Review Task Force to inform state policy regarding opioids 	<p>Review remaining items at next meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Danielle to attempt to locate document - Reviewed today, keep on list - Danielle to try and locate Inventory of Services

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AIC and/or mobile crisis can be resources to assess and evaluate level of care • Use civil citations which require engagement in services • Require question on veteran status for access to veteran services • Use of peer support at different points of the Justice System • Post treatment/recovery information in police holding and court holding cells • Explore transportation challenges to treatment services 	-resources, posters printed and posted state wide for access to
Next Sub-Committee Meetings	Monday July 13, 2020 9am – 10:30am Location TBD Meetings will be held the second Monday of every month.	
Next scheduled meeting of the ADPC	Tuesday, June 16, 2020 from 10:00am – 12:00pm Virtual	