Behavioral Health Sub-Committee Criminal Justice Policy Advisory Commission Criminal Justice Policy and Planning Division Connecticut Office of Policy and Management

Minutes

February 5, 2009 9:00 – 11:00 am (Russell Hall, CVH)

In attendance: G. Holley, E. Leavitt-Smith, E. Mattison, M. Norko, J. Rossi, S. Zanger

- **1. Introductions:** No instructions were necessary.
- **2. Review of November 6, 2008 minutes:** Review of minutes was tabled due to lack of quorum.
- 3. Additions to agenda: None were offered.

4. BH program updates:

A. PJOC & Crime Bill initiatives status was reviewed briefly. Anticipated budget amendments may causes changes to the ways various programs are funded.

5. DOC BH updates

A. DOC MH data – general: tabled.

B. Follow-up report re pilot analysis project: The group continues to try to identify a large enough group of inmates/detainees with significant MH scores & significant crimes to analyze DMHAS treatment prior to arrest.

C. Other DOC f/u reports – all tabled.

- 1. Early release for inmates with SMI
- 2. Co-occurring initiative
- 3. TBI prevalence
- 4. Sex offender community beds RFP
- 5. CJ-DATS research
- 6. DOC "Big Bang" and other initiatives.

6. CJPAC

a. Follow-up report SO registry / Adam Walsh Act

4th Circuit Court has ruled that federal government lacks constitutional authority to civilly commit SOs.

Two federal courts have struck down provisions of Adam Walsh Act allowing federal gov't to prosecute individuals who failure to register after moving from state to another.

7. Workgroup updates

a. Housing/employment

Update given about "ASIST Home" – Funds for housing for ASIST clients

Housing RFPs for FY11 have been put on hold, pending budget considerations. This affects HAF. FUSE funds not affected.

New Haven Sober House programs are not funded by state, but more than ½ of clients are coming out of jail. Program is inexpensive (\$100k for 100 clients/yr), current funding by New Haven and United Way. Could DOC help support sober houses?

b. BH Services/system barriers

- 1) Update re ROI: Work continues on ROI via process for MOA among various agencies.
- Program to arrange medical coverage for inmates to provide access to medications in the community upon discharge from DOC is expected to "go live" in July. Presentation in CJPAC planned for June 11.
- 8. Other Items: none presented

9. Quarterly Meetings (CJPAC mtgs scheduled for 2/19, 4/16, 6/11)

- A. May 14, 2009 @ 9:00am 11:00am, Russell Hall, 2nd floor, CVH Campus
- B. August 2009 TBD