



Douglas County Local Public Safety Coordinating Council (LPSCC) Behavioral Health Subcommittee Meeting Minutes

Noon, Tuesday, March 26, 2019

Courtroom 402, Justice Building, Douglas County Courthouse

PRESENT: Cherie Barnstable, *Compass*; Dan Bouck, *Umpqua Valley Public Defender*; Di Bradley, *UCAN*; Larry Clark, *UCAN*; Joanna Cooper, *HIV Alliance*; Marie Dixon, *NAMI*; Wayne Ellsworth, *Adapt/South River*; Kat Griffin, *Umpqua Valley Public Defender*; Debi Hollander, *Compass*; Heather Johnson, *Compass*; Vicki Johnson, *Compass*; Melissa McRobbie-Toll, *LSPCC Coordinator*; Andrew Renyer, *Sheriff's Deputy*; Lt. Mike Root, *Sheriff's Office*; Claire Sidlow, *HIV Alliance*; Robert Wilson, *Treatment Court Coordinator*; Dane Zahner, *HIV Alliance*; Andrea Zielinski, *Douglas County Sheriff's Office*; Julie Zuver, *Cow Creek Tribe*

ABSENT: Karen Berkey, *RSAT graduate*; Greg Brigham, *Adapt*; Gary Klopfenstein, *Roseburg police*; Todd Luther, *Mercy Medical Center*; Amber MacPherson, *Umpqua Health Alliance*; Misty McAbee, *UCAN*; Michele Moore, *Cow Creek Tribe*; Mandy Rigsby, *Umpqua Health Alliance*; Paul Robertson, *Adapt/OTP*; Christin Rutledge, *Douglas Public Health Network*; Ann Marie Simmons, *Mental Health Court Judge*; Libby Shoopman, *Adapt*; Tracy Simpson, *Wellpath*; Capt. Kurt Sorenson, *Sutherlin police*;

THE CONNECTING POINT

“The Connecting Point” resource room continues to struggle with low turnout. Discussion points included:

- **Few from Jail** - Debi Hollander and Wayne Ellsworth said few people have come directly from Jail to the Connecting Point. Some have been pulled in off the streets by providers.
- **Form** – Group reviewed a draft 1-page form that could be filled out by new visitors to the Connecting Point. Suggestions were made; form will be updated and discussed in detail at the April meeting.
- **Dream Center** - Ellsworth mentioned that the Dream Center’s drop-in center is open on Monday mornings and that dozens of people go there. Melissa McRobbie-Toll suggested approaching the Dream Center about holding the Connecting Point there; the Subcommittee supported the idea.

ACTION ITEMS: *LPSCC Coordinator will meet with the director of the Dream Center.*

FREQUENT JAIL UTILIZERS

LPSCC Coordinator is working with Lt. Root on a new effort to identify Douglas County’s top jail utilizers. The Jail will approach EIS, its jail management software provider, about how to create a list of inmates who have been booked into Jail 3+ times in the past year. Subcommittee expressed interest in also seeking information on length of stay.

ACTIONS: *LPSCC Coordinator and Lt. Root will work with EIS to isolate frequent jail-utilizer data.*

LEGISLATIVE & OTHER UPDATES

- **Behavioral Health Justice Reinvestment** – The Council of State Governments (CSG) and local partners throughout Oregon are continuing their push to create a Behavioral Health Justice Reinvestment funding stream. The CSG’s current proposal calls for \$23 million in state funding to be made available for grants to counties, tribes and regional coalitions for local-level initiatives to improve services to justice-involved individuals with mental illness. Funding could be used for supportive housing, mobile crisis, case management, crisis units, sobering centers and other initiatives. The Behavioral Health JRI push has resulted in SB 973 and HB 3281. *Hearings were held on both bills today in the Senate and House Judiciary Committees.*
- **SB 763** – Legislation that would alter the civil commitment threshold by clarifying that “dangerous to self or others” means “likely to inflict serious physical harm upon self or another person within the next 30 days.” This bill was the result of Josephine County Mental Health Court Judge Pat Wolke’s civil commitment work group efforts. *Hearing held before Senate Judiciary Committee on March 18.*
- **HB 2339** – Would allocate state funding to support sobering centers statewide, including sobering center operations. *Passed by House Health Care Committee, now headed to Ways and Means.*
- **Mobile Crisis grant** – City of Roseburg and Compass Behavioral Health are in the process of implementing a new Mobile Crisis program funded by a three-year federal Department of Justice grant. One Qualified Mental Health Professional (QMHP) has been hired and a second is in the interview process. Recruitment has been a challenge. Mobile Crisis QMHP Ryan Cooper is currently working Sunday through Wednesday. Stakeholder meetings will be held in the coming months to build awareness about the program.

MISCELLANEOUS

- **WorkSource Douglas** – Enrica Gardner of WorkSource Douglas will attend a future Subcommittee meeting to tell the group about her work as WorkSource’s Felon Coordinator.
- **Jail OHP in-reach** – Wayne Ellsworth said it has sometimes been difficult to gain access to the Jail for Friday’s OHP in-reach. He has recently begun partnering with Umpqua Health Alliance to connect the inmates he meets with to services on the outside.
- **Mental Health P/O** – Sky Woods is now handling the mental health caseload for Parole/Probation. LPSCC Coordinator will invite Sky to join the Subcommittee.

CHADWICK CLUBHOUSE TOUR

Subcommittee meeting wrapped up with a tour of the Chadwick Clubhouse led by NAMI's Coleen Roberts. The Clubhouse is located on Chadwick Street near the Courthouse and is open from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday. The Clubhouse provides a place where individuals with mental illness can go during the day to socialize and learn life skills. Members must be referred by a health provider and undergo an approval process. Activities at the Clubhouse include music lessons, cooking, gardening and chores. The Clubhouse was the subject of a front-page story in the News-Review in January:
https://www.nrtoday.com/news/chadwick-clubhouse-offers-services-for-those-recovering-from-mental-illness/article_97111e18-b985-501f-805a-f8ffb96eea00.html

NEXT MEETING: *Noon on Tuesday, April 23, in Courtroom 402*