

Programs & Interventions Committee Minutes:

Thursday, February 4th, 2016 – 12:15pm

Milwaukee County Courthouse, Rm 609

Attendees: Mandy Potapenko, Sara Carpenter, Daniella Imig, Michael Hafemann, Jose Hernandez, Stephanie Garbo, Jeff Altenburg, Joe Ellwanger, Vicki Lupo, Patrick Roberts, Dawn Rablin

Scheduled Items:

i.) Introductions

ii.) Organization Updates

- **HOC** (Michael Hafemann, Jose Hernandez)
 - HOC has seen a number of disturbances caused by pretrial inmates during 2nd shift so they are going to begin targeted programming during those hours. HOC has shortened kitchen program to 5 weeks and will begin to offer this as an opportunity for pretrial inmates.
 - MATC/Word of Hope Grant continues to run well; seeking funding to purchase welding machinery and offer programming
 - Staffing Partners, which was reported out on last month, does not enough work through Quad Graphics at this time so that option has been placed on hold.
 - Opportunities, Inc. – continues to be a successful partnership. Currently, 45 individuals are employed and transported full-time..
- **Justice Point** (Vicki Lupo and Patrick Roberts)
 - Justice Point is looking at options to incentivize/improve Thinking for a Change attendance so will be awarding those who complete a \$25 gift card. JP is also considering a new curriculum for TAD clients that will include cognitive behavioral and trauma components (CIBSA and Seeking Safety)
 - There is a Drug Treatment Court (DTC) graduation next Friday, February 12, 2016 at 12:15pm in Rm 113 of the Safety Building. There will be 7 graduates and a reception.
 - Justice Point was awarded a contract with Manitowoc County Juvenile Court Services. They will be working to hire staff as soon as possible.
 - Partnered with Starting Point (works on prevention in schools), came on January 1 – Juvenile population, as well
- **WCS** (Sara Carpenter)
 - The authority of the Pretrial Intoxicated Driver Intervention Program, administered by WCS in numerous counties, was moved from Department of Transportation to Department of Human Services last June, but funding was not carried over. In September 2015, WCS was notified that funding will be coming, but a proposal would need to be submitted. WCS submitted a proposal, and is still awaiting a response. Most recently, WCS received notice that beginning in June 2016, there will no longer be funding for this programming.
 - Day Reporting Center – the next award luncheon will be held on Friday, February 19th at 12pm (fried chicken). The luncheon is to celebrate perfect attendance and perfect behavior. This will be last luncheon to be held at “current” location at 9th and Mitchell. Let Sara (SCCarpenter@wiscs.org) know if you would like to attend. As mentioned previously, the

DRC will be moving to a new location within the lower level of the WCS administrative offices. The build-outs include classrooms, offices, a day room, and area for coats. An open house in partnership with HOC will be held in March or April (after 3pm and will run later into evening). Current DRC census is 45, capacity is now 80. Sara stated they are readily accepting and encouraging referrals for both male and female participants. Rate of success up to 70%, which is very exciting and a vast improvement from when WCS originally took over. DRC will serve DTC clients who are awaiting residential treatment; DA's office and SPD is interested and will work on logistics over the next few weeks to get this implemented prior to next meeting.

iii.) Initiative Updates

iv.) Additional Comments/Updates

- MacArthur Phase 2 application was submitted on January 6th, 2016. A phone interview was completed on January 27th, 2016. An award announcement will be made public in mid-April.
- Milwaukee County is the recipient of a 3-year, BJA JRI grant with a mental health focus. The first half (1.5 years) will focus on development of the initiative and the 2nd half will be released as an RFP for case management.
- Stephanie Garbo stated the Pretrial RFP will be released in the near future, but there is not yet a set date.
- Dawn noted she was listening to NPR, which featured story out of Boston where major insurance companies have begun funding case management and wrap around services for AODA and mental health treatment. Dawn would like to see additional outreach in the community to see if this would be possible, as currently both mental health and AODA treatment needs have a stigma attached to them and there needs to be a wider acceptance of treating addiction as a medical condition. Mandy noted the Milwaukee Healthcare Partnership's coordinated care initiative and will share that information with Dawn.
- Jeff met with Greenfield Police Department who plan to begin using forfeiture dollars toward AODA treatment. There have been a few hiccups thus far in referrals, but hope the process will work itself out upon further discussion.
- Rev. Ellwanger stated that Senator Darling is proposing the granting state-issued licenses to certain non-violent offenders (ie. Barber, etc.); Reverend Ellwanger states he is in support of people coming out of the system having the ability to get the license, but as the bill stands, it gives Department of Corrections and parole commission final veto power for eligibility. The group was not familiar enough with the bill or rationale behind it to discuss in-depth.

v.) Adjourn

Next Meeting: Thursday, March 3rd, 2016, at 12:15pm (Rm 609, Courthouse)