



Colorado Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice

Where We Are Now: Task Force Updates

Mental Health/Point of Contact through Jail Release Task Force

Established June 2016

Work Underway

- Diversion from the criminal justice system
(Feb. – June?)
- Provision of mental health services to individuals in jail
(July – December?)

Challenges

Diversion from the CJ system

- Building consensus for change
- Developing system-wide alternative responses

Provision of mental health services

- Available resources
- Utilizing existing providers

Forthcoming Recommendations

- Completed first round of recommendations in January 2017
 - Addressed M1 Hold cases
 - Strengthened Crisis Response system
 - Expanded law enforcement training re mental health issues (new hire and in-service)
- Future recommendations TBD

Juvenile Continuity of Care Task Force

Established June 2016

Work Underway

- Focus on development of a model for the management of dual status youth and creating a single case and treatment plan
- One Work Group is focused on early identification of cases that involve multiple entities:
 - Child welfare
 - Probation, and
 - DYC
- Another Work Group is focused on development of a system that involves unified case management and treatment plans and the utilization of multi-disciplinary teams

Challenges

- Numerous organizations are involved in individual cases with various responsibilities
- Utilizing existing system strengths without creating unnecessary duplication

Forthcoming Recommendations

- Modifications to existing legislation to create judicial district oversight for this effort
(Statutory and Policy)
- Outlining essential elements of a dual status youth case management system

Data Sharing Task Force

Established April 2015

Work Underway

- Have surveyed Municipal Court clerks to identify methods of maintaining case information and interest in automated systems
- Through the survey attempting to identify strengths and weaknesses, areas of interest, and opportunities to share approaches across municipal courts

Challenges

- Municipal Court systems have various types of automation
- Systems may not communicate easily with others
- Resources may not exist to aid with automation needs

Forthcoming Recommendations

- Maintain contact with other statewide information sharing efforts and report back to CCJJ

Re-entry Task Force

Established April 2015

Work Underway

- Collateral Consequences
- Housing

Challenges

Collateral Consequences

- Need additional stakeholder input at this phase
- Complexity of Recommendations

Housing

- Enormity of the Issue
- Concurrent efforts

Forthcoming Recommendations

- Private Employment Practices (Statutory)
- Orders of Collateral Relief (Statutory and Policy)
- State Licensure and Employment
-In the works
- Criminal Background Checks
-In the works