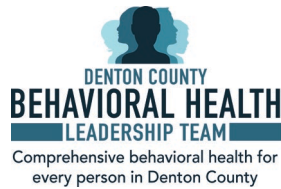


Agenda **March 17, 2022**

- I. Welcome: Lisa Elliott
- II. Vote to Approve Minutes: Lisa Elliott
- III. New Participant/Guest Introductions: Lisa Elliott
- IV. Opioid Response Team Update: Eric Niedermayer & Becky Tinney
- V. Crisis Response Team Update: Sgt. Elisa Howell
- VI. Report from Mental Health Authority: Pam Gutierrez
- VII. Workgroup Committee Reports
 - a. Child and Family Systems: Lisa Elliott & Laura Prillwitz
 - b. Jail Diversion: N/A
 - c. Veterans: Elishia Baxter
 - d. Substance Use: Hope Galloway
 - e. Suicide Prevention: Brittany Waymack
 - f. Data: Juan Rodriguez
- VIII. New Business
 - a. Encouragement of participation in MH Awareness month activities: Lisa Elliott
- IX. Backbone Support Updates
 - a. COVID-19 Relief & Recovery Fund Outcomes: Gary Henderson
 - b. Denton County Homelessness Leadership Team Update: Elena Lusk
 - c. Denton County Workforce Success Leadership Team: Olivia Williams
- X. Public Comment
- XI. Adjourn

All meetings: 8:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. | United Way Denton County
Next Meeting: May 19, 2022



Thursday, January 20, 2022 | 8:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Chair, Dr. Lisa Elliott at 8:00 am. She welcomed all members and guests.

Lisa called for a motion to approve the minutes from the November 2021 meeting. Terry Widmer moved and Bobbie Mitchell seconded. The minutes were approved as presented.

Lisa introduced Dr. Ann Hughes from Sanger ISD and Judge Lauri Ragland as new participants in the group.

Lisa presented Dr. Ann Hughes as a new appointee from the ISDs and called for a motion to vote. Scott Domingue motioned and Terry Widmer seconded. The voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

Lisa then presented Judge Lauri Ragland as an appointee from the Cumberland Presbyterian Children's Home Board and called for a motion to vote. Roxanne Del Rio motioned and Terry Widmer seconded. The voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

Alisa Quimby from the WATCH Coalition was presented by Lisa as a new ex-officio member and called for a motion to vote. Bobbie Mitchell motioned and Terry Widmer seconded. The voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

Courtney Jaimes from North Central Texas University was presented by Lisa as a new ex-officio member and called for a motion to vote. Terry Widmer motioned and Roxanne Del Rio seconded. The voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

The Child and Family systems Workgroup presented "The Case for Mental Health Navigators." They described the increasing demand for mental health services, the increased acuity of those needing services, the difficulty navigating the mental health system, the co-occurring needs of those seeking services, and the lack of mental health resources in Denton County. They expressed the need for mental health navigators to assist residents of Denton County with accessing available resources as well as to collect data to determine service gaps. The navigators would serve as the clearing house for those seeking services, being up to date on providers, wait lists, insurance issues, etc. The CFS intends to present the same information to the Denton County Commissioners Court as part of a request for funding to pilot the program.

Pam Gutierrez provided a report from the Mental Health Authority. She indicated the Denton County MHMR is now providing outpatient substance use treatment on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6-8 pm. The treatment is a 15 week course. MHMR has partnered with Haven in Dallas to provide inpatient detox services. Transportation is available to and from Dallas for this service. They are also providing ambulatory detox services in Lewisville. Other updates: MHMR now provides an online intake for clients. MHMR was denied ARPA funds to increase salary and retention of MHMR staff.



Lisa called for workgroup committee reports.

Veterans: Elishia Baxter reported that the Texas Veterans Commission (TVC) grant is in the 3rd quarter of its second year. To date, the Veteran Stability Program has provided assistance to 119 veterans and their families. This is double the number from last year.

Suicide Prevention: Pam Gutierrez reported that there have been 4 suicide deaths already in 2022. Scott Domingue reported that the Suicide Prevention Workgroup is finalizing its membership and will begin meeting regularly.

Substance Use: Hope Galloway reported that the data collection and resource subgroups will no longer be meeting separately. The full workgroup is now focusing on a universal intake questionnaire of 5-10 questions to assist with determining best treatment options for clients. The workgroup is also planning two think tank sessions to talk more about collaborative efforts among providers.

Data: Shanan Spencer reported for Juan Rodriguez that the data workgroup will be sending a survey to BHLT members to gather information on critical data points. The group intends to have its first meeting prior to the next BHLT meeting.

Lisa called for public comment. Alisa Quimby reported that WATCH is hosting a CSEY workshop on February 4, 2022 from 8 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. The workshop will be virtual.

Lisa adjourned the meeting at 9:30 a.m.

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2022 Meeting Schedule
Thursday, May 19, 2022
Thursday, July 21, 2022
Thursday, September 15, 2022
Thursday, November 17, 2022



City of Denton Crisis Response Team Data

- 1.) The number of **EDO's (emergency detention orders)** completed from May 2021- March 2022- **221**
- 2.) The number of **assigned cases** since inception in May 2021-March 2022- **995**
** the definition of assigned cases are those that have mental health info. reports written in Athena (from a crisis call for service) and are a mental health consumer within our jurisdiction.
- 3.) The number of **follow ups conducted** (case management piece) since inception in May 2021-February 2022- **1,933**
** follow ups are considered to be contacts with a known mental health consumer in the community either via face to face/in person (preferred) or via phone call, email correspondence or with a close family member of the mental health consumer after the initial crisis. These follow ups can be ongoing from the initial crisis/case assignment until needs are met, resources are provided or the consumer no longer desires our contact/correspondence.
- 4.) The **number of Calls for Service** overall for mental health and suicidal persons within Denton, according to Athena, since our inception in May 2021-February 2022- **1,360**
- 5.) The **number of active calls for service in which a clinician was present/on scene** since going live in May 2021-February 2022- **410**



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MENTAL HEALTH & JUDICIAL/LAW ENFORCEMENT COLLABORATIVE SUMMIT

TOPICS OF DISCUSSION

- Sheriff Murphree's vision for the Mental Health Unit
 - Crisis Intervention Response Team (CIRT)
- Lewisville Mobile Crisis Outreach Team (CoCare Team)
 - Mental Health Unit Procedures & Paperwork
- 16.22 process & Texas Code of Criminal Procedure, Mental Health bond, Judges responsibilities & available alternatives to incarceration
 - District Attorney's role in deferred adjudication & deferred disposition
- Crisis Services provided by Local Mental Health Authority (LMHA)
- Substance Use services provided by Denton County MHMR
- Grant and the role of Community Diversion Coordinator

FRIDAY

**MARCH
25TH**

8:00 AM - 1:00 PM

EMBASSY SUITES

3100 Town Center Trail
Denton, Texas 76201

QUARTER/PALOMINO ROOM

Please email
Taylor Warren to RSVP

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Deadline Date to RSVP:
March 21, 2022