

**Denton County Behavioral Health Leadership Team**

**January 21, 2016**

**8:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.**

**United Way of Denton County, Inc. (1314 Teasley Lane, Denton, TX)**

**Agenda**

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|-------|---|--|---------|
| I.    | Welcome & Introductions   | B. Gailey                                      | 2 min.  |
| II.   | Consideration of November Meeting Minutes (approval) (attached)   | B. Gailey                                      | 2 min.  |
| III.  | Meeting Schedule 2016 (attached)  | B. Gailey                                      | 2 min.  |
| IV.   | DCBHLT Structure <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Workgroup charters (attached)</li></ul>  | J. Mulroy                                      | 5 min.  |
| V.    | Public Relations <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Logo (attached) (approval)</li><li>• Website</li><li>• Speakers Bureau</li><li>• MMHPI “OK to Say “Campaign (approval)</li></ul>                   | L. Olson<br>T. Yan<br>Chief Howell<br>L. Olson | 20 min. |
| VI.   | Strategic Planning Sub-Committee Update   | M. Richardson                                  | 10 min. |
| VII.  | Workgroup Reports/Updates (attached) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Veterans</li><li>• Mental Health Court</li><li>• Child and Family Systems</li><li>• Housing</li><li>• Jail Diversion</li></ul> | Workgroups                                     | 20 min. |
| VIII. | Community Case Management Status (attached)   | L. Olson                                       | 5 min.  |
| IX.   | UNT Mental Health First Aid Collaboration   | Dr. Teresa McKinney                            | 10 min. |
| X.    | New Business  | B. Gailey                                      |         |
| XI.   | Public Comments   |  |         |
| XII.  | Adjourn   | B. Gailey                                      |         |

**Next Meeting: March 17, 2016 @ 8:00 a.m.**

**Denton County Behavioral Health Leadership Team**  
**November 19, 2015**  
**Meeting Minutes**

**Appointees Present:** Chief Russ Kerbow, Councilwoman Sanden Daughhtee, Commissioner Bobbie Mitchell, Chief Deputy Randy Plemons, Dr. Bill Giese, Dr. Lisa Elliott, Dr. Matt Richardson, Dr. Monica Mendez Grant, Dr. Roxanne Del-Rio, Dr. Teresa McKinney, Dr. Timothy Harris, Elizabeth Ferring, Gary Seguin, Joe Mulroy, Juan Rodriguez, Judge Barbara Gailey, Monya Crow, & Councilman Tj Gilmore

**Ex officios present:** Gary Henderson, Judge Doug Robison, Lacrica Olson

**Appointees Absent:** Bryan Langley, Chief Lee Howell, Dr. Derrell Bulls, Dr. Kathryn Stream, Dr. Nikki Roderman, Dr. Richard Valenta, Gina Warr, Jim Russell, Judge Coby Waddill, Louise Baldwin, Mayor Chris Watts, Melinda Galler, & Prudence Sanchez

Meeting called to order 8:05 a.m.

**Welcome & Introductions**

Judge Barbara Gailey provided the welcome and recognized guests.

**Consideration of October Meeting minutes**

The October meeting minutes of the Denton County Behavioral Health Leadership Team were reviewed and approved with the following revision: Dr. Derrell Bulls listed as present and absent as noted by Dr. Bill Giese. Need to revise to reflect presence from October meeting.

Motion: Commissioner Bobbie Mitchell

Second: Dr. Tim Harris

Minutes approved as revised.

**Meadows Mental Health Policy Institute (MMHPI) Video:**

The MMHPI Denton County Systems Change video highlighting the work of Denton County was shared with the group. The video was debuted during the DCCCCMH luncheon on 11/13/15. The video will be used throughout the state as other communities are adopting the same model to transform behavioral health systems. The link to the video is as follows: [MMHPI Denton County Systems Change Video](#)

**Strategic Planning Sub-Committee Update:**

Dr. Matt Richardson provided an update from the strategic planning sub-committee. The group met on November 12, 2015. Dr. Matt Richardson provided an overview of the mission and vision planning process discussed continued from the October DCBHLT Meeting.

The vision should be something that each member can commit to memory and be able commit to. After discussion and with no additional changes Dr. Richardson requested the team approve the DCBHLT Vision which reads as follows.

**Vision: Comprehensive behavioral health for every person in Denton County.**

Motion: Commissioner Bobbie Mitchell

Second: Chief Russ Kerbow

Mission approved unanimously as written.

**Mission:**

Dr. Matt Richardson presented the final draft of the mission statement to the team. The mission should reflect Collective Impact, which is reason for the DCBHLT. Discussion around formatting (one sentence) and revisions made in the future were discussed to meet state and national standards. The mission statement may evolve and mature as we move forward. New standards show that mission statements should not be dwindled to just one sentence, but rather be more descriptive. This was learned during recent workshop attended by Dr. Richardson. Chris Martin, Chair of the Veterans workgroup also shared that the mission and vision will assist the workgroups in developing the goals and objectives.

With no additional changes or revisions a motion was made to approve the mission.

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- **Provide a continuum of care**

Motion: Dr. Lisa Elliott

Second: Chief Russ Kerbow

Vision approved unanimously as written.

Gary Henderson applauded the team because the mission statement will allow the team be more competitive across the state as we prepare to respond to the MMHPI RFP for Veterans. Additionally, Dr. Richardson shared that the strong mission and vision will assist with obtaining additional behavioral health funds across the state.

Upon adoption the mission and vision will be used as a litmus test for goals and objectives for inclusiveness into the strategic plan.

**Next Steps:** The strategic planning committee will work directly with the workgroup chairs to establish a protocol for recommendations while ensuring the goals and objectives satisfy the vision and mission in the form of a litmus test.

**Child and Family Systems Workgroup Recommendation:**

Lisa Elliott and Laura Prillwitz provided an overview of the timeline of the project and inventory conducted to the group. As shared during the first Consumer workgroup there is a need for additional peer to peer support groups in Denton County.

Both items were included in the agenda packet along with information on the NAMI Connections Support group and official proposal. After further discussion and inventory findings conducted by the Child and Family Systems, the need was determined. The current group meets once per week at MHMR in Denton and is currently at capacity.

The Child and Family Systems would like to make a recommendation to expand NAMI Connections Peer to Peer Support group services and to seek funding from United Way of Denton County in the form of a collective impact grant. Funding would be used to train additional facilitators, purchase program materials, and light refreshments. Child and Family Systems would like to work with NAMI to collect data related to access to transportation and zip code tracking to determine location expansion of 1-2 additional sites in Denton County. Additionally, an evaluation component will be put in place that adheres with the NAMI standards such as attendance tracking, etc. Some information cannot be mandated to be collected. UWDC is prepared to receive the application for funding at the Executive Committee during the meeting this afternoon for the request in the amount of \$2,000.

Public feedback was provided regarding Prosumers, and Family Support groups which will be considered at a later time. The group also used the vision and mission litmus test with the recommendation as a component of the strategic planning committee.

For future recommendations it was suggested by Councilman Tj Gilmore that phrasing for motions be included in the packet.

A motion was made to recommend approval for submission to UWDC for funding in the form of the Collective Impact grant.

Motion: Dr. Matt Richardson

Second: Commissioner Bobbie Mitchell

Motion carried as stated.

Workgroup updates and highlights of individual workgroups were provided by the Chair of each group. A formal written report was provided in the DCBHLT agenda packet. For the purposes of this meeting, the Child and Family Systems workgroup did not provide a verbal report due to recommendation being made.

A list of workgroup chairs is as follows:

- Veterans: Mr. Chris Martin, Chair
- Consumer, Lacrica Olson and Elizabeth Ferring
- Housing: Ms. Terry Widmer
- Jail Diversion: Chief Deputy Randy Plemons
- Mental Health Court: Ms. Tami Russell, Chair

- Child & Family Systems: Dr. Lisa Elliott and Ms. Laura Prillwitz, Co-chairs

Housing Update: It was discussed during the workgroup report that the housing workgroup is the one group that lacks the ability to track sound data and consistent terminology at the community, and educational level. This workgroup will take longer to develop goals and objectives to ensure metrics are in place that are needed to affect change. Having terms that are easily defined are beneficial. It was also shared by Dr. Monica Mendez Grant that TWU has been approved for transitional units for those who are aging out of the Foster Care System. Students can use their educational stipends for this.

Next Step: A request was made to revise the workgroup report template to reflect workgroup member listing and next meeting dates so DCBHLT members can attend if they chose to do so.

**New Business:**

Joe requested that the December meeting of the DCBHLT be cancelled and meeting time be used for the strategic planning committee to meet with each workgroup chair to discuss goal and objectives and recommendation protocol.

Motion: Joe Mulroy

Second: Commissioner Bobbie Mitchell

Motion carried as stated.

The meeting adjourned by consent at 9:26 a.m.

**Next Meeting: January 21, 2015 @ 8:00 a.m.  
United Way of Denton County Office**

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Secretary

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Date

**Denton County Behavioral Health Leadership Team  
Meeting Schedule 2016**

Date	Time	Location
1/21/16	8:00 a.m-9:30 a.m.	United Way of Denton County 1314 Teasley Lane, Denton
3/17/16	8:00 a.m-9:30 a.m.	United Way of Denton County 1314 Teasley Lane, Denton
5/19/16	8:00 a.m-9:30 a.m.	United Way of Denton County 1314 Teasley Lane, Denton
7/21/16	8:00 a.m-9:30 a.m.	United Way of Denton County 1314 Teasley Lane, Denton
9/15/16	8:00 a.m-9:30 a.m.	United Way of Denton County 1314 Teasley Lane, Denton
11/17/16	8:00 a.m-9:30 a.m.	United Way of Denton County 1314 Teasley Lane, Denton

**Denton County Behavioral Health Leadership Team**  
**Child and Family Systems Workgroup Charter**  
**2015**

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3. Serve as advocates for children and families in Denton County for behavioral health support and recovery by ensuring a continuum of care and services are available in Denton County through a System of Care approach, ensuring access to programs by increasing geographical locations of services, and increasing awareness of the programs.
4. Increase awareness of mental health needs in Denton County and reduce stigmatization of mental health by developing, supporting, and providing educational programs to citizens of Denton County.

**Denton County Behavioral Health Leadership Team**  
**Housing Workgroup Charter**  
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3. Collaborate with the Mayor’s Task Force on Homelessness, and other community stakeholders to conduct an inventory of current assets and develop a system plan for all levels, of housing including housing for those with mental illness.
4. Present finding to the DCBHLT which quantifies the need for each specific level of housing in Denton County.

**Denton County Behavioral Health Leadership Team**  
**Mental Health Court Workgroup Charter**  
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2. Develop recommendations to the DCBHLT to ensure system level change based on evidenced based programs and practices.
3. Implement and expand capacity of Denton County Mental Health Court to divert those suffering from mental illness out of the traditional criminal justice system.
4. Provide rehabilitation alternatives and support services to offenders and families through the implementation of programs and access to resources.

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**Veterans Workgroup Charter**  
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3. Serve as advocates for Veterans in Denton County and provide recommendations to increase the capacity of Veteran-related Post Traumatic Stress (PTS) / Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) treatment programs in Denton County, ensure Veterans have access to the programs, and increase awareness of the programs.
4. Monitor and evaluate PTS/TBI programs through interaction with Veterans and feedback provided to ensure the programs are achieving the desired results.

**Denton County Behavioral Health Leadership Team**  
**Jail Diversion Workgroup Charter**  
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3. Create a comprehensive Jail Diversion Program for the DCSO.
4. Improve Law Enforcement Protocols/Practices when dealing with individuals in mental health crisis.

DCBHLT Logo



DENTON COUNTY  
**BEHAVIORAL HEALTH**  
**LEADERSHIP TEAM**



**The Meadows Mental Health Policy Institute invites you - your partners, supporters, and collaborators - to join us in kicking off a new grassroots movement to end the stigma of mental health.**

The goal is to get Texans talking openly about mental illness through the **Okay to Say** website that will be launching in February 2016.

You can help by being among the first to add your voice so that when the **Okay to Say** site goes live, your message of support will be there to inspire others to speak up and make it **Okay to Say**:

**"It's okay to say ... we must stop discriminating against those who suffer from mental illness.."**

**"It's okay to say ... I know someone with mental illness."**

**"It's okay to say ... I live with depression and it's a treatable disease."**

**"It's okay to say ... I take a stand to end the stigma that surrounds mental illness."**

Thank you for your support and participation!  
Together we will change the perceptions of mental illness and make it Okay to Say your mental health is important.

**SAY YOU WILL**

Please join us in kicking off the Okay to Say movement. It's as easy as these simple steps:

1. Identify individual(s) in your organization - colleagues, stakeholders, and constituents - and ask them to submit a message of support that it's Okay to Say ...
2. Forward this email to other individuals and organizations with your encouragement to be part of the Okay to Say movement by posting message.
3. Then click the link below to add your Okay to Say message with the option to add photos or videos.

**SHOW SUPPORT**

**PLEASE SEND ALL SUBMISSIONS BY JANUARY 25, 2016**





## DCBHLT Workgroup Reports

January 2016

**WORKGROUP NAME: VETERANS COMMITTEE**

**CHAIR NAME: CHRIS MARTIN**

**CHAIR CONTACT INFORMATION (EMAIL AND PHONE): (678) 877-6267,  
C2W2MARTIN@AOL.COM**

### Meeting Summary

Workgroup members: Chris Martin (Chair,) Roy Davenport, Melanie Torres, Sarah Banis, Paul Jurek , Michael Hunn, Kathy Eubanks, Raymond Holder, Chris Mays, Juan Rodriguez, Judge David Garcia, Craig Combs, Jeff Gilmore, Louise Weston-Ferrill, Mira Brown, Dr. Airaj Waheed, and Bonnie Rinn

Attending: Chris Martin (Chair,) Roy Davenport, Melanie Torres, Paul Jurek , Michael Hunn, Craig Combs, Jeff Gilmore, Mira Brown, Dr. Airaj Waheed, and Bonnie Rinn

Workgroup participation was slightly lower than usual. Several members notified me prior to the meeting that they would not be able to attend. I also talked to two different members who had not recently participated; one will be able to start attending again this month, while the other has withdrawn from the committee.

The monthly meeting of the Veterans committee was conducted at Denton Regional Medical Center on Dec, 10, 2015. The December meeting consisted of consolidating all of the information obtained since July about PTS and available treatment protocols into a strategic plan to present to the DCBHLT. The committee made significant progress towards developing the plan, but likewise, has a significant amount of work remaining. However, some of the work we have accomplished to date, will be able to be incorporated into the TVI grant proposal.

### Short Term Actions Items

Continue development of our strategic plan for submission to the DCBHLT. Support the United Way in preparing the grant proposal for the TVI grant.

### Accomplishments

The committee has developed the backbone of a comprehensive plan to submit to the DCBHLT. The plan will be further refined at the next committee meeting.

Some of the committee's work will be incorporated into the TVI proposal prepared by United Way.

Continued discussion with Dallas VA to establish a Veterans Clinic in Denton County.

### Concerns

Our biggest challenge in preparing the strategic plan is developing effective measurable outcomes. Program marketing will be key to the effectiveness of several of the programs.

Our next meeting is 28 Jan 2016, 9:00 am at the United Way.



## DCBHLT Workgroup Reports

January 2016

**WORKGROUP NAME: DCBHLT MENTAL HEALTH TREATMENT COURT**

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### Meeting Summary

Workgroup members: Tami Russell (chair), Sgt. Cari Coker, Judge Doug Robinson, Katheryn Masten, Mira Brown, Yvonne Broach, Jeremy Hardy, Daniel Folmer, Judge Coby Waddill, Airaj Waheed, April McDonough, Armand Hill, Brandi Felderhoff, Cheryl Rayl,

Attending: Tami Russell (chair), Sgt. Cari Coker, Judge Doug Robinson, Katheryn Masten, Mira Brown, Yvonne Broach, Richard Godoy, Lacrica Olsen

### Short Term Action Items

Submitting RFP for specialty court funding by February 2016 to the Governor’s Office.

Reviewing and implementing new IOP program proposed by Terrell counseling

### Accomplishments

The Mental Health Group met on December 16, 2015. The group worked on the development of goals and objectives including items that could be used in the Specialty Court RFP that will be released in late December.

The plan included goals to expand the capacity of the Denton Mental Health Court through funding received from the Governor’s Office, establishing staff for new court, and conducting an estimated 100 evaluations for prospective court participants within 2016.

The plan also included developing a continuum of care for court participants discussed previously in November 2015 which included: establishing a reintegration support group for Mental Health Treatment Court participants in phase III, establishing a Mental Health IOP program to be utilized by court participants, Mental Health Caseload and other probationers with mental health issues.

Encouraged group to verbalize ideas they feel would assist and benefit participants of new Mental Health Court.

### Concerns

No concerns at this time.

### Next Meeting Dates

January 28<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m. DRMC Professional Services Building



## DCBHLT Workgroup Reports

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**WORKGROUP NAME: CHILD AND FAMILY SYSTEMS**

**CHAIR NAME(S): LAURA PRILLWITZ & LISA ELLIOTT**

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### Meeting Summary (provide meeting date and items discussed during meeting)

**Workgroup members:** Laura Prillwitz, Lisa Elliott, Kimberly McCary, Tiffany Haertling, Amy Lawrence, Monya Crow, Sharon Dahl, Rev. Richard Brown, Rachel McGinnis, Lisa Pierce, Gary Seguin, Sadaf Meckfessel, Cheryl Aldridge, Trish Robinson, Lishawa Jackson, Lacrica Olson

**Attending:** Laura Prillwitz, Lisa Elliott, Richard Brown, Amy Lawrence, Monya Crow, Dr. Lisa Pierce, Sadeef McKessel, Trish Robinson, Toni Schweizer, Lena Zettler, Gary Seguin (via phone).

### Short Term Action Items

- Reviewed the Mission and Vision Statement for DCBHLT.
- Discussed recent proposal and approval of the NAMI Support Group Expansion
- Changed monthly meeting date to the fourth Friday of each month from 12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.

### Accomplishments

Identified and prioritized multiple long-term and short term goals:

- 1) Expansion of NAMI Family to Family Support Groups
- 2) Complete Asset Mapping Project
- 3) Increase Behavioral Health Awareness and Reduce De-stigmatization
  - a. Provide Mental Health First Aide Training – Target Audiences to include: Educators, Pastors, HR/EAP’s, First Responders/Law Enforcement/Fire Fighters, Higher Education/UNT/TWU/NCTC, Parents. Locations suggested: Churches, Community Recreation, Work Environments
  - b. Adopt/create a public/community advertising campaign
- 4) Establish a Juvenile Court Behavioral Health Case Management Program
  - a. Focus on advocacy navigators to assist youth and families, provide connection to services, teach life skills and other skill building tools
- 5) Expand capacity of youth served in Denton County through a Systems of Care Model
- 6) Expand services to youth of military parents

### Concerns

- Funding Resources
- Keeping goals in a manageable timeframe

### Next Meeting Dates

January 22, 2016 (Denton County Juvenile Services)

February 26, 2016 (United Way of Denton County)

March 25, 2016 (United Way of Denton County)



## DCBHLT Workgroup Reports

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**WORKGROUP NAME: HOUSING WORKGROUP**

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### Meeting Summary

**Workgroup members:** Terry Widmer, Dani Shaw, Sherri McDade, Sheila Harper, Alonzo Peterson, Amy O'Keefe, Brenda Jackson, RayAnne Climer, Melanie Torres, Kim Hinkle, Jayme Kirby, Deidre Strubel, Betty Kay, Cathy Brown, Daniel Folmer, Pauline Jemison

**Attending:** Terri Widmer (Chair), Dani Shaw, Sherri McDade, Sheila Harper, Dr. Alonzo Peterson, Betty Kay, Cathy Brown, Beth Tellez, Pauline Jemison, and Leslie Moseley

The group met on December 14<sup>th</sup> to discuss clarifications and information obtained from Diana Gray Consulting as it related to the Housing Inventory conducted by Giving Hope Inc. The group further discussed and developed the goal to establish a continuum of care for transitioning 30 people with mental health diagnoses from jail to long term housing and identified needed resources.

Lacrica and Dani also shared information about the new UWDC Homeless Coordinator position and how they might interface with the group.

### Short Term Action Items

Began development of goals and objectives for a continuum of care program. The target has been identified as those who have been discharged from jail, homeless and have a mental health diagnosis. This program was discussed with the understanding that best practices for mental health show the need for supportive housing, wrap around resources, on site services, financial support and case management.

Lacrica and Terry to meet with Salvation Army to determine if they have the capacity to serve in the role identified during discussion. Salvation Army representative was not in attendance during meeting.

### Accomplishments

Cooperation between DAHC and MHMR for transitioning those identified for the program from jail to long term housing with DHA or assistance from Giving Hope.

### Concerns

None at this time.

### Next Meeting Dates

January 25, 2016 @ 3:00 p.m. United Way of Denton County



## DCBHLT Workgroup Reports

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**WORKGROUP NAME: JAIL DIVERSION**

**CHAIR NAME: RANDY PLEMONS**

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Meeting Summary (provide meeting date and items discussed during meeting)

**Workgroup members:** Chief Deputy Randy Plemons (Chair), Judge Coby Waddill, Judge Doug Robison, Pam Gutierrez, Lt. Chris Summit, Matt Richardson, Captain Kevin Deaver, Troy Manning, Captain Dan Rochelle, Scott Wisenbaker, Danielle Shaw, Dana Wagner, Dr. Teresa McKinney, Maria Ortiz, Paige Smith, Pauline Jemison, and Lacrica Olson

**Attending:** Chief Deputy Randy Plemons (Chair), Judge Coby Waddill, Judge Doug Robison, Pam Gutierrez, Captain Dan Rochelle, Scott Wisenbaker, Danielle Shaw, Dana Wagner, Dr. Teresa McKinney, Maria Ortiz, Paige Smith, Troy Manning, Pauline Jemison, and Lacrica Olson

**Law Enforcement Protocol and Procedures Discussion:**

The group discussed the need for education for hospital staff (admin and providers), first responders, medical directors, and law enforcement staff on detainment and awareness of options available outside of jail if existent.

The group also discussed how to improve the assessment process including streamlining and collaboration between law enforcement and MHMR. Is it possible that MHMR representative and MH deputies have the ability to arrive at the same time while the individual is still in crisis? Not all calls to MHMR require a mental health deputy. There is a need for creating strategies to change this process to address miscommunication between personnel.

**Behavioral Health Center Discussion:**

The following would need to be considered and or implemented:

- Centralized location or multiple locations (north and south)
- Medical component
- Need for an onsite laboratory or contract with another entity. Labs are essential in mental health cases to better understand problem and protocol.
- Ability to conduct mental health assessment
- Approximately 20 units hold person for up to 72 hours (county wide)
- 2-3 security officers
- 10-15 staff (\$35-50k-dependign on qualifications)
- Physician
- At least one MH Deputy on site

- Detox component; once determined substance abuse is the only issue, then transfer to ambulatory care with Solutions of North Texas or other entity to reduce cost.
- \$1.5 million to build and \$1.5 million to staff.

### Short Term Action Items

- Obtain Data from ER;
- Obtain Data from County, City of Denton, and City of Lewisville on the number of hours an officer sits in ER with individual.
- Begin outline of facility and logistics
- Continue with the development/identification of goals and objectives

### Accomplishments

Identification of needs to meet goals and objectives

### Concerns

Cost of keeping the facility open and staffing will be the greatest cost. It has been difficult to staff the triage center at MHMR. Triage center does not have a laboratory.

### Next Meeting Dates

January 6, 2016 @ 9:00 a.m. (United Way of Denton County)



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