

Denton County Behavioral Health Leadership Team

March 17, 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 January Meeting Minutes (approval) (attached) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• January 21, 2016• January 27, 2016 (electronic) | B. Gailey | 2 min. |
| III. | DCBHLT Annual Report (attached) | L. Olson | 5 min. |
| IV. | DCBHLT Officer Nominating Committee (attached) | M. Richardson | 10 min. |
| V. | Public Relations <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Website Launch March 15
www.dentoncountybhlt.org• Speakers Bureau Log (attached)• Children’s MH Month Proclamation (attached)• “OK to Say “Campaign Video | T. Yan
Chief Howell
L. Elliott
L. Olson | 25 min. |
| VI. | Workgroup Reports/Updates (attached) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Housing (Terry Widmer tbwidmer@gmail.com)• Child and Family Systems (Dr. Lisa Elliott & Laura Prillwitz)
lisa.elliott@cookchildrens.org; lauraprillwitz@dentoncounty.com• Veterans (Colonel Chris Martin c2w2martin@aol.com)• Consumer (Elizabeth Ferring eferring@gmail.com)• Jail Diversion (Deputy Randy Plemons randyplemons@dentoncounty.com)• Mental Health Court (Tami Russell tamirussel@dentoncounty.com) | Workgroups | 30 min. |
| VII. | UNT Mental Health First Aid Recap | Dr. Teresa McKinney | 10 min. |
| VIII. | Community Case Management Update | L. Olson | 2 min. |
| IX. | New Business | B. Gailey | |
| X. | Public Comments | | |
| XI. | Adjourn | B. Gailey | |

Next Meeting: May 19, 2016 @ 8:00 a.m.

Denton County Behavioral Health Leadership Team

January 21, 2016

Meeting Minutes

Appointees Present: Bryan Langley, Chief Lee Howell, Chief Russ Kerbow, Commissioner Bobbie Mitchell, Chief Deputy Randy Plemons, Dr. Bill Giese, Dr. Derrell Bulls, Dr. Kathryn Stream, Dr. Lisa Elliott, Dr. Matt Richardson, Dr. Monica Mendez Grant, Dr. Roxanne Del-Rio, Dr. Teresa McKinney, Dr. Timothy Harris, Elizabeth Ferring, Gary Seguin, Gary Fullerton, Joe Mulroy, Juan Rodriguez, Judge Barbara Gailey, Louise Baldwin, Melinda Galler, & Monya Crow

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

Appointees Absent: Cindy “Sanden” Daughhtee, Dr. Nikki Roderman, Dr. Richard Valenta, Gina Warr, Judge Coby Waddill, Mayor Chris Watts, Melinda Galler, Prudence Sanchez & TJ Gimore.

Meeting called to order at 8:00 a.m.

Welcome & Introductions

Judge Barbara Gailey provided the welcome and recognized guests. She also welcomed Gary Fullerton as the new appointee from Medical Center of Lewisville.

Consideration of November Meeting minutes

The November meeting minutes of the Denton County Behavioral Health Leadership Team were reviewed and approved.

Motion: Dr. Derrell Bulls

Second: Chief Russ Kerbow

Minutes approved as written.

2016 Meeting Schedule

Judge Gailey shared the 2016 meeting schedule with the group. To accommodate schedules and amount of time the DCBHLT meetings will be moved to bi-monthly meetings. A copy of the 2016 schedule is attached for reference.

DCBHLT Structure:

Joe Mulroy shared with DCBHLT Workgroup Charters with the group. The strategic planning committee requested the workgroups create a charter which, has been reviewed and approved. A copy of the charters outlining the deliverables is attached for reference.

Public Relations:

Logo: The DCBHLT logo concept was provided to all members via email prior to the meeting in the agenda packet. Lacrica also shared with the group that the logo had been reviewed with the Consumer Workgroup during the December meeting. A motion was made to approve the logo

concept, however during discussion it was requested by Dr. Lisa Elliott that the logo be revised to include additional silhouettes to represent children to ensure the group is inclusive of the lifespan. Elizabeth Ferring also requested that the logo be revised to reflect the vision statement as a tag line on the logo.

Motion: Dr. Derrell Bulls

Second: Joe Mulroy

Motion amended by Dr. Bulls and second by Joe Mulroy to move forward with logo concept subject to adding additional silhouettes and vision statement tagline with circulation to member via email for approval.

Motion carried as amended

Next Steps: Lacrica will request changes to the logo and will send to the group via email in the form of an electronic vote. Majority vote will be deemed approval of the logo.

Website: Lacrica provided an update to the group on the status of the website. UWDC is now working with One Each Technologies, who also hosts UWDC to design the website as Dream Host did not have a viable option. The website template is in the process of being built.

Speakers Bureau:

Chief Lee Howell provided the group with an update on the status of the Speakers Bureau Committee. The group is looking to conduct total of 12 presentations each year; 3 per quarter. If you are member of a service or professional club and looking for a presenter, or wish to be involved with the committee, please contact Chief Howell or Lacrica.

Meadows Mental Health Policy Institute “OK to Say Campaign”:

Lacrica shared with the group that the DCBHLT has been approached by Meadows Mental Health Policy Institute (MMHPI) to partner with the “OK to Say Campaign”. OK to Say is a digital anti-stigma movement to allow people to speak freely about mental health. Informational pieces were provided in the packet. MMHPI is currently collecting stories on the website. The partnership will allow the DCBHLT to have a mass media presence across the community and to partner with the statewide movement. MMHPI is also recruiting several celebrity spokespersons whose names will be released at a later time. A unique portal will be assigned which allows for use of materials. The goal of the campaign is to engage 200,000 people statewide and to have 100,000 people sign up as supporters.

During discussion Dr. Tim Harris advised the group to be cautious with the campaign language since MMHPI is using mental health and our team is using behavioral health. Lacrica will also share these concerns with MMHPI. Dr. Kathryn Stream also asked what is being asked of the team and Lacrica shared the main purpose is to serve as a partner, encouraging others to support the campaign (including businesses, and organizations) and to become part of a statewide movement reduce stigma. The concept of a media campaign has been explored by the Child and Family Systems Workgroup, but this partnership is more sustainable and cost effective.

Lacrica is requesting a formal approval for DCBHLT to partner with MMHPI for the OK to Say Campaign.

Motion: Commissioner Bobbie Mitchell

Second: Chief Russ Kerbow

Motion carried to engage in partnership.

Strategic Planning Sub-Committee Update:

Dr. Matt Richardson provided an update from the strategic planning sub-committee. The group met on December 17, 2015 in lieu of the DCBHLT meeting. Dr. Matt Richardson provided an overview of the process the strategic planning committee will use with the workgroups on the goals and objectives. Additionally, the charters outline the specific deliverables of the workgroups. Workgroups will bring goals and objectives before the committee prior to DCBHLT.

Workgroup Reports/Updates

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. Lacrica provided reports on behalf of Chris Martin and Tami Russell who were unable to attend.

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

Veterans Update: Lacrica also shared with the group that UWDC has applied for the HHSC Texas Veterans +Families Initiative Grant in response to SB55 on behalf of the DCBHLT. This is the funding that was originally released last year, but was not awarded due to legislative changes. HHSC will award 3 grantees during the pilot phase. Meadows Mental Health Policy Institute will serve as the administrators of the grant.

Lacrica and Joe provided an update on the engagement with the VAMC. The group had their 2nd meeting on January 13th. There is a need to accommodate the increased behavioral health needs in Denton County and the growing population of Veterans. The CBOC, located on Colorado is 8,000 sq. ft., and the contract is currently at the end of the 2nd extension. VAMC would like to double the space at the CBOC (16-20,000 sq. ft.) and service approximately 15,000 Veterans. The RFP for building specs will be released in early February or March for the main clinic specifications (CBOC). This process is lengthy and can take several years before implemented.

- VAMC is requesting space that can be provided for 2-3 years in-kind
- VAMC will provide the staff and IT infrastructure; wireless connection and laptops can be used to provide for faster accommodations;

- VAMC would like to locate a space that is at a minimum 3,500 sq. ft. but ideally 5,000 sq. ft. to accommodate need.

Dr. Elliott suggested asking the VA to provide the same data used for similar projects in Ft Worth and Sherman.

Community Case Management Status

Lacrica provided the group with an update on the Community Case Management Software purchased by UWDC. Funding for the software was provided by the Denton Benefit League and the Flow Health Care Foundation. Pilot partners are being explored to support the efforts of the community case management component. Commitments have been received from the Denton County Mental Health Court and the Denton County DWI Court. Other potential partners include Denton County Jail Diversion Program, Denton County Veterans Court, Salvation Army, etc. Once the system is launched additional updates will be provided.

Gary thanked Dr. Giese for his support as a member of the Flow Health Care Board.

UNT Mental Health First Aid Collaboration:

Dr. Teresa McKinney presented information about the upcoming Adult Mental Health First Aid Course that will take place on March 4th in partnership with MHMR, UNT, and United Way. This partnership will allow members of the DCBHLT to attend the course at no cost. A sign in sheet was distributed to members. Dr. McKinney also distributed fliers which provided information to members on the training. The training is evidence based and has been being taught throughout the U.S. to communities, organizations, professionals, and individuals. The training also has several tracks including: Veterans, Youth (most common), elderly, public safety, etc.

<http://www.mentalhealthfirstaid.org/cs/>

Comments: Dr. Kathryn Stream requested that an accommodation be made in the meeting minutes to reflect the work of the UWDC staff and the team's appreciation of the work.

New Business:

No new business was made.

Public Comments: Public Comments were added to the agenda to ensure time for community input. No public comments were received.

The meeting adjourned by consent at 9:16 a.m.

**Next Meeting: March 17, 2016 @ 8:00 a.m.
United Way of Denton County Office**

Secretary

Date

Denton County Behavioral Health Leadership Team
January 27, 2016
Electronic Meeting Minutes (Logo)

Based on discussion during the January 21st DCBHLT meeting, revisions were requested to the presented logo design. Additions included adding an additional silhouette to reflect children as to be inclusive of the entire life span. It was also requested that the DCBHLT Vision be added as a tag line to the logo. Requests were made to Eddie Renz, with Renz Enterprises.

Lacrica Olson, sent the revised logo to all DCBHLT members via email on January 27, 2016 requesting any additional feedback and action on the logo design.

Action: Approval of revised DCBHLT logo to include additional silhouette representing children and to include DCBHLT Vision as a tag line.

Based on those members responding the revised logo was approved via majority vote.

Appointees Responding:

Name	Responding
Bryan Langley	X
Chief Lee Howell	
Chief Russ Kerbow	X
Cindy "Sanden" Daughthee	
Commissioner Bobbie Mitchell	X
Deputy Randy Plemons	
Dr. Bill Giese	X
Dr. Derrell Bulls	X
Dr. Kathryn Stream	X
Dr. Lisa Elliott	X
Dr. Matt Richardson	X
Dr. Monica Mendez-Grant	X
Dr. Nicki Roderman	X
Dr. Richard Valenta	X
Dr. Roxanne Del-Rio	X

Dr. Teresa McKinney	X
Dr. Timothy Harris	X
Elizabeth Ferring	X
Gary Seguin	X
Gary Fullerton	X
Gina Warr	
Joe Mulroy	X
Juan Rodriguez	X
Judge Coby Waddill	X
Judge Barbara Gailey	X
Louise Baldwin	X
Mayor Chris Watts	
Melinda Galler	X
Monya Crow	X
Prudence Sanchez	X
TJ Gilmore	X

Secretary

Date



Denton County Behavioral Health Leadership Team: 2015 Annual Report

The Denton County Behavioral Health Leadership Team (DCBHLT) convened on June 11, 2015 as a result of the formal recommendation made by Meadows Mental Health Policy Institute to advocate and facilitate for system level change in the behavioral health system in Denton County. The recommendation was made after a year of fact finding through the Denton County Citizens Council on Mental Health (DCCCMH).

The team is comprised of **31** appointees and **3** ex officio members serving two year terms from: Denton County Commissioners Court, Municipal Government, Health Care Providers, Health Insurance Providers, Educational Institutions, Law Enforcement, Non-profits, Housing, and other community organizations, in addition to three ex-officios who serve in an advisory capacity.

Appointees are as follows:

- The Honorable Bobbie J. Mitchell from Denton County Precinct #3 for the Denton County Commissioner's Court
- Mr. Joe Mulroy from DCCCMH for Denton County Commissioner's Court
- Deputy Randy Plemons from Denton County Sheriff's Office for Denton County Commissioner's Court
- Dr. Matt Richardson from Denton County Health Department for Denton County Commissioner's Court
- Dr. Kathryn Stream, for Denton County Commissioner's Court
- The Honorable Coby Waddill from Denton County Criminal Court #5 for Denton County Commissioner's Court
- Ms. Louise Baldwin from Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital of Denton for Health Services of North Texas, Inc.
- Ms. Elizabeth Ferring from and for Denton Community Health Clinic
- Judge Barbara Gailey for Denton County MHMR
- Dr. Timothy Harris from and for Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital of Denton
- Dr. Nicki Roderman, DNP, RN, CCRN, CNRN from and for Denton Regional Medical Center
- Mr. Juan Rodriguez, MPH from and for Denton County Health Department
- Mr. Gary Fullerton, MBA, RN, FACHE, NEA-BC, CEN, LP from and for Medical Center of Lewisville
- Mr. Gary Seguin, LPC, LPCC from Beacon Health Options for Health Insurance Providers
- Ms. Gina Warr, LCSW from Cigna Health Spring STAR+ Plus Medicaid for Health Insurance Providers
- Ms. Monya Crow, M.Ed., LPC-S from and for Lewisville Independent School District
- Dr. Roxanne Del-Rio from and for North Central Texas College
- Dr. Teresa McKinney from and for University of North Texas
- Dr. Monica Mendez-Grant from and for Texas Woman's University
- Dr. Richard Valenta from and for Denton Independent School District
- Ms. Monya Crow, M.Ed., LPC-S from and for Lewisville Independent School District
- Dr. Roxanne Del-Rio from and for North Central Texas College
- Dr. Teresa McKinney from and for University of North Texas
- Dr. Monica Mendez-Grant from and for Texas Woman's University
- Dr. Richard Valenta from and for Denton Independent School District
- Dr. Derrell Bulls for United Way of Denton County, Inc.
- Dr. Lisa Elliott from Cook Children's Healthcare System for WATCH of Denton County
- Dr. Bill Giese from Flow Health Care Foundation for Denton Housing Authority
- Chief Lee Howell from and for Denton Police Department
- Chief Russell Kerbow from and for Lewisville Police Department
- Ms. Prudence Sanchez, J.D. from Prudence Sanchez Attorney at Law, PLLC for Denton Affordable Housing Corporation

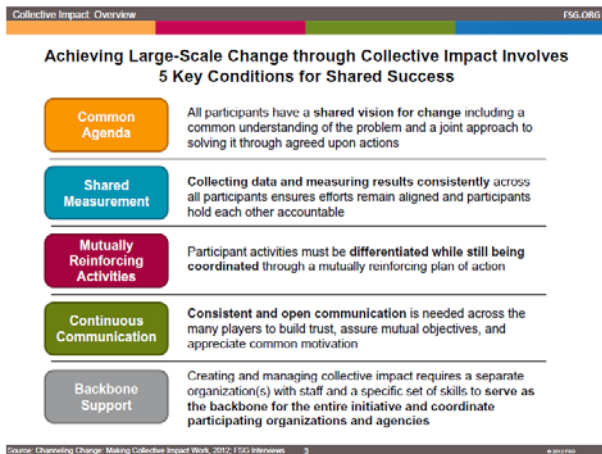
Five workgroups launched in July 2015 focusing on the areas of:

- ✓ Child and Family Systems
- ✓ Housing
- ✓ Jail Diversion
- ✓ Mental Health Court
- ✓ Veterans

Structure:

The purpose of the Denton County Behavioral Health Leadership Team (DCBHLT) is tasked to convene as a policy making team to improve the planning, coordination, oversight, and implementation required to create systems change, for behavioral health services in Denton County.

DCBHLT functions as a quasi-governmental team with guiding charter and bylaws under the backbone of **United Way of Denton County Inc. (UWDC)** Collective Impact Model.



Collective Impact involves five key conditions for shared success. To learn more about collective impact visit: <http://www.fsg.org/approach-areas/collective-impact>.

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

DCBHLT Mission

The Denton County Behavioral Health Leadership Team will advocate and facilitate a collaborative person-centered behavioral health system to repair and restore lives:

- Ensure behavioral health services are available to meet the needs of all
- Assess data for continuous outcome measurements
- Prioritize data driven recommendations
- Provide a continuum of care

2015 Milestones:

June 2015	Inaugural Meeting
July 2015	Workgroups launched
August 2015	Adoption of Charter and Bylaws and activation of consumer workgroup.
November 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adoption of Mission and Vision • First formalized recommendation approved to expand NAMI Connections Peer to Peer Support Group services. • Funding provide by UWDC in the amount of \$2,000 to expand support groups county wide by 1-2 sites
December 2015	As of December 2015, volunteers dedicated over 700 hour’s team members to enhancing behavioral health services.

Next Steps:

- Development of a 5 year strategic plan
- 2-3 formalized recommendations work each designated workgroup.
- January 2016: Launching of the DCBHLT Website
- January 2016: Collaborate with MMHPI to launch an anti-stigma campaign
- January 2016: Apply for funding to support Veterans and their families in response to SB55, through the Meadows Mental Health Policy Institute.

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2016-2017 Nominating Committee

- Dr. Matt Richardson (Chair) matt.richardson@dentoncounty.com
- Dr. Lisa Elliott Lisa.Elliott@cookchildrens.org
- Chief Russ Kerbow wkerbow@cityoflewisville.com
- Chief Lee Howell Lee.Howell@cityofdenton.com
- Commissioner Bobbie Mitchell bobbie.mitchell@dentoncounty.com

2016 Children's Mental Health Awareness Day
Proclamation DRAFT

RESOLUTION
Children's Mental Health Awareness Day in Denton County

WHEREAS, addressing the complex mental health needs of children, youth, and families today is fundamental to the future of Denton County; and

WHEREAS, the need for comprehensive, coordinated mental health services for children, youth, and families places upon our community a critical responsibility; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that a day should be set apart each year for the direction of our thoughts toward our children's mental health and well-being; and

WHEREAS, the Denton County Behavioral Health Leadership Team, Denton County MHMR Center, and the Wellness Alliance for Total Children's Health of Denton County led by Cook Children's, through their prevention-based approaches to serving children and adolescents, are effectively addressing the mental health needs of children, youth, and families in our community; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Denton County Commissioners Court does hereby proclaim May 5, 2016 to be Denton County Children's Mental Health Awareness Day.

DONE IN OPEN COURT, this the ___ day of ___, upon motion made by ___ and seconded by ___, and ___ members of the court being present and voting.

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DCBHLT Speakers Bureau Presentations

Date	Audience	Speaker
12/8/2015	NAMI Denton County	Lacrica Olson
12/10/2015	Ponder ISD SHAC Committee	Gary Henderson
2/26/2016	Denton Regional Suicide Coalition	Lacrica Olson
3/2/2016	Lewisville Noon Rotary	Tj Gilmore & Chief Russ Kerbow
3/9/2016	Champions Rotary (Justin)	Chris Martin
3/18/2016	WATCH Coalition	Monya Crow
3/24/2016	Lewisville Morning Rotary	Tj Gilmore
4/6/2016	Denton County Homeless Coalition	Roxanne Del-Rio
4/20/2016	Aubrey 380 Chamber of Commerce	Lacrica Olson
4/22/2016	Cross Timbers Rotary	Tj Gilmore, Chief Russ Kerbow, and Bobbie Mitchell



DCBHLT Workgroup Reports

March 2016

WORKGROUP NAME: HOUSING

CHAIR NAME: TERRY WIDMER

CHAIR CONTACT INFORMATION (EMAIL AND PHONE): TBWIDMER@GMAIL.COM (940) 368-5035

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

Workgroup members: Terry Widmer(chair), Dani Shaw, Sherrie McDade, Sheila Harper, Alonzo Peterson, Amy O'Keefe, Brenda Jackson, RayAnne Climer, Melanie Torres, Christy Daniel, Jayme Kirby, Deidre Strubel, Betty Kay, Cathy Brown, Daniel Folmer, Pauline Jemison.

Attending: Terry Widmer, Lacrica Olson. Dani Shaw, Sheila Harper, Dr Alonzo Peterson, Amy O'Keefe, RayAnne Climer, Brenda Jackson, Melanie Torres, Pauline Jemison, Christy Daniel, Michelle Sanchez (City of Lewisville).

Meetings were held on January 25 and February 22. The group is in the outline stages of two pilot programs that would offer housing assistance for behavioral health clients based on eligibility. One is a Diversion program targeting those coming out of the jail and who have been identified as being homeless have a mental health diagnosis. The other is a 10 unit Supportive Housing Program pilot.

Short Term Action Items

Review and provide feedback on initial drafts presented. Continue to finalize pilot program criteria and eligibility for both programs with the 10 unit supportive housing being the priority.

Conduct a case manager meeting among the different services agencies to allow for feedback on current supportive housing pilot draft.

Tour Cottages at Hickory Crossing in Dallas on March 9, 2016. The Cottages are supportive housing units located at City Square in Dallas. A total of 12 people from the workgroup and UWDC attended the informational session.

Accomplishments

Identifying assets already existing in the community as part of the pilot to reduce cost.

Concerns

Need to define inclusion of termination if supportive vs. permanent at intake within the Supportive Housing Model.

Next Meeting Dates

April 4, 2016



DCBHLT Workgroup Reports

March 2016

WORKGROUP NAME: CHILD AND FAMILY SYSTEMS WORKGROUP

CHAIR NAME: LISA ELLIOTT AND LAURA PRILLWITZ

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

The group last met on February 26, 2016. Workgroup members: Lisa Elliott, Laura Prillwitz, Kimberly McCary, Tiffany Haertling, Amy Lawrence, Monya Crow, Sharon Dahl, Richard Brown, Lisa Pierce, Gary Seguin, Sadaf Meckfessel, Cheryl Aldridge, Trish Robinson, Lishawa Jackson, Lacrica Olson, Toni Schweizer

Attending: Lisa Elliott, Laura Prillwitz, Judge Kimberly McCary, Amy Lawrence, Monya Crow, Richard Brown, Lisa Pierce, Gary Seguin, Sadaf Meckfessel, Toni Schweizer, and Robert Ashford for Lacrica Olson.

Short Term Action Items

- Reviewed progression on NAMI support group expansion
- Reviewed Asset Mapping Tool developed and initiated collection of asset information
- Partnered with WATCH for Mental Health Month collaboration:
 - Co-author Proclamation for National Childrens Mental Health Day to be recognized by Denton County Commissioners Court on May
 - Establish an Art Contest "My Feelings Are A Work of Art"

Accomplishments

- 1) NAMI has completed facilitator training and added 3 additional facilitators to lead support groups. NAMI has also identified possible expansion locations to hold support groups in Lewisville, Carrollton, The Colony, and Little Elm.
- 2) Community Asset Mapping tool was developed by Robert Ashford. Members of the workgroup have begun to create a list of assets with further data collection to be divided equally among workgroup members.
- 3) Vashti Kekich from MMHPI presented the "Okay to Say" campaign designed to increase awareness of mental health and reduce stigma. DCBHLT and UWDC have partnered with MMHPI.
- 4) Mental Health First Aid Training was provided at UNT on Friday, March 4th with 47 attendees.
- 5) Collaborating with other coalitions/agencies for Mental Health Month.

Concerns

- 1) Completing a thorough and exhaustive Community Asset tool in a timely manner
- 2) Funding resources
- 3) Obtaining partners for the "Okay to Say" campaign
- 4) Keeping goals in a manageable timeframe

Next Meeting Dates

No meeting in March due to Good Friday

April 22, 2016 (United Way of Denton County)

May 27, 2016 (United Way of Denton County)



DCBHLT Workgroup Reports

March 2016

WORKGROUP NAME: VETERANS WORKGROUP

CHAIR NAME: CHRIS MARTIN

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

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, Kathy Eubanks, Michael Hunn, Raymond Holder, Jeff Gimore, and Bonnie Rinn

Both the Jan and Feb monthly meetings focused on developing and refining the workgroup strategic plan for submission to the DCBHLT. For each goal and objective developed by the Veterans workgroup, we have begun to develop metrics and associated costs.

Short Term Action Items

Continue development of our strategic plan for submission to the DCBHLT. The March meeting will focus on leveraging existing agencies/organizations to provide support to our initiatives, as well as data collection and marketing programs.

Continue to work with the VAMC to determine expansion capabilities.

Accomplishments

The committee has developed a comprehensive plan in preparation for submission to the DCBHLT.

The committee's work was incorporated into the TVI grant proposal submitted by United Way in January. Award notification is scheduled for March.

United Way and the DCBHLT continues to make progress with the VA in establishing a more robust behavioral health care clinic in Denton County. During the February meeting, the VAMC provided the sub-committee with data on number of patient encounters at the local CBOC, number of Denton County residents who received services at other VA facilities and projected data for future years.

The VAMC also shared with the group that as a result of the DCBHLT discussions the VAMC has placed a Psychiatrist at the local CBOC, which will provide for daily face to face services. A Nurse Practitioner had previously held the position and recently retired and based on need a Psychiatrist was placed in lieu of another Nurse Practitioner.

Concerns

The majority of our programs are dependent on finding volunteers to assist with program execution. Finding an adequate number of volunteers has been challenging for some time and will require a new approach.

Program marketing will also be critical to success, for two reasons: one to raise awareness of the programs that are available for Veterans, and the second is to recruit volunteers.

Next Meeting Dates

24 March 2016, 9:00 a.m. at Denton County Health Department.



DCBHLT Workgroup Reports

March 2016

WORKGROUP NAME: CONSUMER

CHAIR NAME: LACRICA OLSON/ELIZABETH FERRING

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

The Consumer Workgroup met on **February 9, 2016**. There were 15 people in attendance. The workgroup meeting took on a slightly different format, allowing for three presenters to share information on different organizations and programs serving Denton County consumers.

The group received presentations from Pam Gutierrez, Director of Denton County MHMR, Crystal Collins, Travel Trainer for DCTA; and Vashtai Kekich, Communications Manager for Meadows Mental Health Policy Institute (MMHPI).

The MHMR presentation focused on an organization overview of MHMR Denton County including programs, services, and admission qualifications, due to previous misconceptions. Pam also shared information with the group about the Psychiatric Triage Center that has been opened since 2014, which is open to all residents.

The DCTA presentation focused on an overview of DCTA travel services, area of service, and a snapshot overview of the Travel Trainer program.

The MMHPI presentation introduced the upcoming "Okay to Say" campaign, a mental health awareness advocacy campaign.

Short Term Action Items

The group was asked to reflect on the Okay to Say campaign materials, videos, and messaging. Participants were encouraged to provide feedback and concerns regarding the campaign. Overall the group was very supportive of the campaign and its messaging.

The NAMI support group facilitator training will be rescheduled to a later date, due to unforeseen circumstances on the trainer's part.

Accomplishments

Providing information on services and organizations that individuals and families were not previously aware of and receiving positive feedback on OK to Say Campaign.

Concerns

None at this time

Next Meeting Dates

Next Quarterly Meeting: May 10, 2016



DCBHLT Workgroup Reports

March 2016

WORKGROUP NAME: JAIL DIVERSION

CHAIR NAME: RANDY PLEMONS

CHAIR CONTACT INFORMATION (EMAIL): RANDY.PLEMONS@DENTONCOUNTY.COM

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 Lacroica Olson

Attending: Chief Deputy Randy Plemons (Chair), Judge Coby Waddill, Judge Doug Robison, Pam Gutierrez, Captain Dan Rochelle, Scott Wisenbaker, Danielle Shaw, Dana Wagner, Maria Ortiz, and Paige Smith.

The group met on 2/10/16. Scott Wisenbaker and Judge Waddill shared findings from their visit to the Houston Recovery Center program. The Houston Recovery Center offers safe, short-term monitoring and management of persons under the influence of alcohol and drugs. In lieu of jail, the Houston Recovery Center provides law enforcement with an alternative for individuals arrested for public intoxication, as defined by Texas Penal Code § 49.02.

Sgt. Cari Coker and Capt. Kevin Clark shared the DCSO mental health flow chart to the workgroup. The overview consisted of the Sheriff's Mental Health Unit primary work flow, the work flow when a traditional officer completes a mental health call, and the workflow now utilized with the MHMR triage center being operational. The group also discussed why multiple assessments are required, to which MHMR shared is a requirement by Texas statute.

On February 24th Randy and several members of the workgroup attended a meeting to learn more about the Tri-County Psychiatric Center and how a similar model might serve the needs of Denton County. One of the advantages of such a facility is the reduction in time for law enforcement. Officers. Officers in Tri-County are able to return to normal duty within 30 minutes after drop off. The former CEO of Tri-County provided an overview, purpose, and funding mechanisms for the center. Additional information is being obtained from the center to determine next steps. A follow-up meeting will be held.

Short Term Action Items

- Follow-up on additional information from Tri County related to Emergency Stabilization Unit
- Determine next steps to tailoring the model to fit Denton County.
- Finalize Discharge Planner positions with MHMR and DCSO.

Accomplishments

- Development of a small sub-committee to outline Law Enforcement video logistics. Video would be designed to offer additional training and resources for deputies when responding to mental

health crisis calls since limited training is received during the academy. Partnerships are being secured for production. A formal recommendation to the team is scheduled for late spring. Dr. Teresa McKinney is leading the sub-committee.

- Nearing completion of the legal review for the DCSO and MHMR Discharge Planning Positions

Concerns

Costs associated with facilities.

Next Meeting Dates

March 23, 2016 @ 9:00 a.m. (United Way of Denton County)



DCBHLT Workgroup Reports

March 2016

WORKGROUP NAME: DCBHLT MENTAL HEALTH TREATMENT COURT

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

Workgroup members: Tami Russell (chair), Sgt. Cary 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 Ray, Dr. Nicole Holmes

Attending: Tami Russell (Chair), Judge Doug Robison, Mira Brown, Sgt. Cari Coker, Yvonne Broach, Jeremy Hardy, Kathy Eubanks

Short Term Action Items

Due to county contract guidelines initial IOP cannot be initiated, however a conversation with UNT will be held on March 11 to discuss potential partnership with UNT's new IOP program and the court.

NAMI is willing to share information with court staff to determine how they might assist with IOP program.

Judge Waddill did not seek funding from the Governor's office in 2016 for specialty courts. The decision was based on the infancy of the court and lack of current evaluation and graduates. Court may request funding during normal county budget cycle.

Tammy Terrell of Terrell Counseling will now be present during court sessions as the court felt the need to have a clinician present during court.

New candidates for court have plateaued. Mental Health Treatment Court will present to Denton Bar Association in April 2016 as a means of recruiting new individuals.

Develop forum to address employment for those in the court. The group discussed the possibility of a Lunch and Learn for employers in Denton County to address the need for hiring individuals with mental health disabilities and de-stigmatize the perception and attitude regarding these prospective employees.

Accomplishments

A \$1,000.00 check was presented to United Way of Denton County by an individual donor and earmarked specifically for Denton County Mental Health Treatment Court to assist with payment of psychological evaluation of clients applying for court. The county will provide invoice to UWDC for transfer of funds.

Mental Health Treatment Court will partner with United Way and ETO Software pilot to assist with tracking progression of court participants

Concerns

IOP program proposal: concerns as to whether or not probation will be willing to fund if changes are made to current IOP proposal or if a partnership presents itself. This would be in lieu of the two year contract cycle.

Funding for the court in year 2016 and 2017

Employment for court participants

Increasing number of clients in court.

Next Meeting Dates

Next bi-monthly meeting will be held on 4/28/16 @ 4 pm Denton Regional Medical Center.