



BHC

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH COLLABORATIVE

March 10, 2020, 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.
Community Center, Multipurpose Room

BHC Members Present:

First Name:	Last Name:	Organization:
Terri	Albright	DuPage County Sheriff's Office
Maggie	Allen	North Central College
Nansi	Angelopoulos	Du Page Public Defender's Office
Scott	Austgen	DuPage Pads
Sheryl	Bates	Linden Oaks
Kathy	Carey	DuPage County Health Department
Lori	Carnahan	DuPage County Health Department
Karen	Doyle	DuPage Health Coalition
Mike	Drugan	DuPage County Sheriff's Office
Donna	Gorman	Healthcare Alternative Systems
Steve	Graham	Central DuPage Hospital
Carol	Healy	St. Thomas the Apostle Church
Julie	Ippolito	Abraxas Woodridge Interventions
Mariola	Kasper	Metropolitan Family Services
Scott	Kaufmann	DuPage County Health Department
Laura	Lange	Forensic Behavioral Health
Jeff	Lata	DuPage County Health Department
Tim	McGavin	DuPage County Probation
Gina	Menconi	DuPage County Probation
Kara	Murphy	DuPage Health Coalition dba Access DuPage
Sarah	Norton	West Chicago School District 33
Vivica	Odell	Northeast DuPage Family and Youth Services
Dana	Pavlu	Thresholds/Motivent
Marianne	Pokorny	YWCA Metropolitan Chicago
Jeremy	Rimmer	DuPage County Sheriff's Office
Dave	Roth	DuPage Federation
Lisa	Snipes	DuPage County Continuum of Care
Amit	Thaker	Linden Oaks
Laima	Zavistauskas	World Relief DuPage

Opening Remarks and Sheriff's Office Update:

Mike Drugan provided updates from the Sheriff's Office. Mike shared positive testimonials from individuals that received assistance from the Post-Crisis Response Team.

BHC 2020-2022 Action Plan:

Scott Kaufmann gave an overview of the BHC Action Plan. The action plan is meant to show what the BHC is working towards and also clarifies the direction for the Collaborative's next three years. The timing of this action plan provides the opportunity to review results from the upcoming 2021 community assessments. Scott reviewed each of the proposed BHC goals and quarterly objectives. A draft of the action plan objectives will be emailed out and members will have an opportunity to provide feedback as it is being developed in Q2 2020.

Central Receiving Center Subcommittee:

Scott Kaufmann updated the collaborative on the CRC subcommittee. The CRC subcommittee has spent the last three months prioritizing your feedback to focus on transportation and sobering. If an individual does not have an active suicide there is no need for them to go to the ER, instead, a CRC can be the best option for them, so transportation to the CRC from the ER is a current area for further research. The subcommittee asked ambulance companies for potential transportation options. So far, we have received basic information from them including very preliminary cost estimates. There will have a meeting with a representative from Elite later this month. This will give us an opportunity to ask questions in person. In addition, the subcommittee has been looking at non-ambulance options such as Uber and Lyft which have options for health-based transport. Members provided feedback on their experience using Uber for health-based transport. In addition, members suggested Kaizen Health which is based out of Chicago and has received Bloomingdale 708 money to implement a transportation pilot. Scott will follow up on this suggestion.

The next area the subcommittee has been focusing on is a potential sobering unit within the CRC. Once clients arrive at a CRC they can possibly be intoxicated and there might be a benefit in having a sobering unit onsite to increase the volume of clients that can be seen at the CRC once they have sobered up. The subcommittee looked at different sobering across the county, one in Houston, Texas (which has 84 beds and is therefore not an appropriate comparison) and one in San Antonio, Texas which grew from 12 beds to 25 beds. When looking at a sobering unit for DuPage there are questions we must keep in mind, such as:

- What is our liability if a patient gets sicker or if they leave against medical advice?
- Which substance are eligible for services?
- Should the CRC (and sobering unit) be open to walk-in or only law enforcement drop-off?

Post- Incarceration Support Subcommittee:

Jeff Lata updated the Collaborative on the Post-Incarceration Supports Subcommittee. Jeff began by reviewing the goals set up for the subcommittee. We have been in contact with CSG (grant TA provider with an in-house housing expert) and a literature review has been provided to the Housing workgroup for additional review. In addition, when looking at the jail, around half of inmates are

non-DuPage County residents. For these inmates, the subcommittee has been trying to find out what they need and explore housing options as they get closer to their release date. We try to give them resources close to their homes, coordinate with ACCESS, and family members to link them to services. Further review of possible connections to these services will continue.

Amy Kohlmann has been working on making appointments, reaching out to state hospitals, family members for housing and ensuring people are engaged in mental health services. All of the hard work by staff at the DuPage County Correctional Center has resulted in several success stories, some of which were shared by Jeff. While the work in this area will never be completely done, the BHC will spend time in June reviewing potential other priorities to focus on.

BHC Projects and Grant Deliverables Updates:

Lori Carnahan gave an overview of other projects that BHC members have been working on. This includes the Mobile Crisis Response pilot which launched in June 2019 with three participants and just added Downers Grove PD as its fourth participant PD. Since the start of the pilot, we have been able to collect data and found that 86% of those referred to Crisis through the pilot did not need to go to the ER.

Another grant deliverable is the implementation of mental health and substance use screening tools for use upon intake at DuPage County Correctional Center. The tools will change the way we provide service since it will more easily identify individuals that need further care for mental health or substance use disorders. The screening tools will also help us with our efforts to establish a baseline for volumes of individuals with these needs entering the DCCC. The two tools are the Brief Jail Mental Health Screen and the TCU Drug Screen V, and the goal is to implement both on paper forms in Q2 of 2020.

COVID-19 Update for Businesses:

Kristen Lundeen provided an update on the COVID-19 virus and how to proceed with preventing disease transmission at businesses. DCHD has been in contact and monitoring individuals who have possibly been exposed. In addition, we are coordinating with IDPH, the CDC, emergency management services, schools, business, and local health providers.

DCHD recommends the following:

- Develop an emergency operation plan If you already have one, we suggest you review it.
- Develop a communication plan. Check the CDC travel recommendations often, as they change frequently and communicate to employees and stakeholders.
- Actively monitor your absenteeism rates and develop plans for a large rate of absenteeism.
- Establish a process for employees who are sick or need to work from home.
- Routinely clean all frequently touched surfaces in the workplace.

The next BHC meeting will take place on Tuesday, June 9th at 8:30 a.m.