

Mental Health Response Advisory Committee Meeting
Monday, March 13, 2017
ADAMHS Board of Cuyahoga County

Present: Co Chairs: William Denihan & Ed Eckart

Committee Members: **Carole Ballard**, ADAMHS Board; **Richard Cirillo**, PhD, Cuyahoga County Board of Developmental Disabilities; **Mike Evanovich**, Department of Justice; **Valeria Harper**, ADAMHS Board; **Dr. John Garrity**, ADAMHS Board; **Yolanda Gordon**, Cleveland Municipal Court; **Larry Heller**, Greater Cleveland Congregations; **Shannon Jerse**, Saint Vincent Charity Hospital; **Derek Moore**, Cleveland Municipal Court; **Deputy Chief Joellen O’Neill**, Cleveland Division of Police; **Captain James Purcell**, Cleveland Division of Police; **Scott Osiecki**, ADAMHS Board; **Judy Peters**, advocate; **Heather Tonsing Volosin**, Department of Justice; **Ellen Riehm**, NAMI of Greater Cleveland; **Kathleen Stoll**, advocate; **Myron Stoll**, advocate; **Carolyn Sweden**, Cleveland VA; **Mike Woody**, CIT International.

Members on the telephone: **Dr. Randy Dupont**, Monitor; **Yolanda Armstrong**, Big Brothers/Big Sisters; **Dr. Leslie, Koblenz**, Cuyahoga County Corrections Center

Guests: **Samantha Reed**, Community Advocate (*phone*); **Mark Johnson**, Connections; **Carmel Fosh**, Connections; **Christina Kelnicki**, Care Source

Mr. Eckart opened the meeting at 9:05 a.m. The MHRAC members reviewed and approved the minutes from February 13, 2017.

Crisis Intervention Team Policies: Michael Evanovich

The CIT policies were approved by the Monitoring team. MHRAC members requested a written copy of the approval.

Michael also discussed the upcoming Community Roundtable hosted by the Cleveland Monitoring Team at the Jerry Sue Thornton Center on Tuesday, March 14th at 5:30 and or Wednesday, March 15th at the Urban Community School. The purpose of the discussion is to receive public comments regarding police community relations. There will also be a questionnaire online.

Second Year Monitoring Plan: Dr. Randy Dupont

Dr. Dupont indicated that the Monitoring Team is putting the final touches on the Second Year Monitoring Plan. MHRAC committee members did not receive copies of the draft document. The draft document is forthcoming.

Deputy Chief O'Neill provided these updates to the Second Year Monitoring Plan:

- Eight Hour Training for all officers under review-timeline to be established in the Monitoring Plan.
- CDP working on the vetting process to select Specialized CIT Officers.
- CIT Specialized 40 training under review for final submission.
- CDP working on deployment plan for CIT officers by district.

CIT Stat Sheet is part of the CIT Policies and Procedures. This document will have to be reviewed and approved by Judge Oliver. Need final edits on the CIT Stat Sheet and the Community Resource Card. Both documents will be submitted to Judge Oliver for approval. CDP still in discussion regarding a plan to integrate the CIT Stat Sheet with the CDP data system.

CIT Training: Dr. Richard Cirillo

The Eight Hour in Service Training plan was submitted for MHRAC review. The overview of mental health is a two hour training block. The rest of the training involves topics like command and control along with CIT policies and procedures. A detailed lesson plan and manual was submitted as well. MHRAC committee reviewed and approved the Eight Hour training as submitted.

Policy Committee: No Updates

Diversion Committee: No Updates

Community Engagement Committee: No Updates

Data Committee: Dr. John Garrity

Dr. Garrity indicated that the ADAMHS Board data collection fields would be modified when we receive the revised CIT Stat Sheet. Larry Heller asked about names of repeat callers in terms of who does the follow up? Can we follow up six months later to see if the repeat callers are engaged in services? Will there be a report to show the outcomes? Captain Purcell indicated that the follow up on mental health calls rests on the behavioral health side. The CIT Co-responder Team is conducting some follow up and the people are being linked to services.

Open Discussion:

Valeria Harper asked if there has been an impact on the present CIT training as a result of the recommended changes in the future. Carole Ballard indicated yes and stated that expanded role plays with additional time for de-escalation training has been added.

Captain Purcell indicated that there have been suggested modifications for the 40-hour training in terms of the format. There has discussion with putting together lesson plan formats along with training manuals. It is unclear if we will use the formats from OPTA and/or Seattle CIT. It was mentioned that role plays are not easily scripted. Dr. Dupont indicated that all of these issues are being reviewed.

Meeting adjourned at 10:35