

Mental Health Response Advisory Committee Meeting Summary
Monday, December 10, 2018
ADAMHS Board of Cuyahoga County

Present: Co-Chair: Ed Eckart, City of Cleveland; **Captain James Purcell**, Cleveland Division of Police and **Scott Osiecki**, ADAMHS Board

Committee Members: Carole Ballard, ADAMHS Board; **Gabriella Celeste**, Case Western Reserve University; **Dr. Richard Cirillo**, Board of DD; **Curtis Couch**, ADAMHS Board; **Carmen Gandarilla**, ADAMHS Board; **Judge Hollie Gallagher**, Cuyahoga County Common Pleas Court; **Rev. Benjamin Gohlstin, Sr.**, ADAMHS Board of Directors; **Larry Heller**, NORA; **Shannon Jerse**, St. Vincent Charity Medical Center; **Christina Kalnicki**, Care Source; **Susan Neth**, Frontline Services; **Rosie Palfy**, Community Advocate; **Rania Issa**, Cleveland Division of Police; **Ellen Riehm**, NAMI Greater Cleveland; **Charles See**, City of Cleveland Monitoring Team; **Carolyn Szweda**, Beech brook; **Heather Tonsing-Volosin**, Department of Justice; **Beth DeJesus-Zietlow**, ADAMHS Board

MHRAC Members on the Phone: Dr. Randy Dupont; Kathleen Stoll

Guest: Craig Dunst, Peer Support

Review and Acceptance of the September 18, 2018 Meeting Summary

Scott Osiecki opened the meeting at 9:05 am. The MHRAC members reviewed the meeting summary. Summary was approved by all with the exception of Ms. Palfy who did not approve based upon “numerous issues with the meeting summary”.

Updates:

• **CIT Co-Responder Pilot Project Update:**

- The two year pilot project ended in September 2018. City of Cleveland applied for additional funding through the Council of State Government and was not funded. The ADAMHS Board nor the City of Cleveland were able to continue to fund the pilot project.
- Officers from Second District CIT began to see the Project as a resource for follow-up to high utilizers of service. The Project staff also provided support to CIT officers in the First District as well.
- Frontline conducted a customer satisfaction survey among the Second District CIT officers. Officers indicated that they viewed the project in a favorable manner.
- The project operated second shift for several days per week. Referrals in the beginning were slow and eventually received referrals for follow-up from the officers on a daily basis.
- A discussion has had on cost of the project; savings to the system; other potential funding resources and next steps.

• **Department of Justice Opioid Grant Update:**

- ADAMHS Board received a federal grant to develop a data sharing platform between the treatment community, law enforcement, hospitals and other community partners regarding the opioid epidemic to inform evidence-based practices and policymaking and monitor community trends and outcomes.
- The Begun Center at Case Western Reserve University is the data partner and will receive part of the grant to hire staff. The ADAMHS Board will also be hiring a Project Manager to work specifically on this project. The U.S. Attorney’s Heroin and Opioid Task Force and the Medical Examiner’s Office are involved in the project.

• **SAMSHA Jail Diversion Grant Update:**

- ADAMHS Board received a SAMSHA Jail Diversion Grant. The purpose of the grant is to expand diversion options for police for people in crisis. Two beds from the Crisis Stabilization Unit will be designated for the Project. Frontline Services will hire a Case Manager and two peer support workers.

- This project will involve CIT officers from First and Second District-all three shifts. Project will be funded for five years.
- **Cuyahoga County Crisis Response Services Needs Assessment Report:**
 - Highlights from the Crisis Response Services Needs Assessment facilitated by Case Western Reserve University were shared with the group.
 - General themes that emerged were: lack of access to services after hours; duplicate assessments by agencies; general public relies on police and other public safety entities when there is a crisis in the home and CIT officers and training are helpful to the community.

Sub-committee Reports:

- **Community Engagement: (Read on behalf of Kearney)**
 - Community Forums are scheduled for Thursday, January 31, 2019 at The Centers – one in the morning and one repeated in the evening to provide the community with an update about MHRAC activities.
 - Mr. Osiecki, Mr. Eckart and Captain Purcell will be part of the program. Committee working on a PowerPoint. Forum date and times will be posted on the ADAMHS Board website.
 - Committee work product, “When to Call 911” will be posted as part of the ADAMHS Board website for the community to request presentations.
- **Diversion: Kalnicki:**
 - Meeting scheduled for January.
 - Will be reviewing the information from the Crisis Response Assessment as a process for diversion activities. Focus will be on after hour service coordination.
 - Committee is still looking at membership in order to include input from across the system. Committee plans to meet on a monthly basis.
- **Quality Improvement: Celeste/Gallagher:**
 - Committee has reviewed and the discussed the CIT reports for the first two quarters. There is a minimal change in the data.
 - There has been an Increase in the number of CIT stat sheets completed. Also seeing information that was not previously provided, including: race, use of weapons and dispositions.
 - Capt. Purcell noted that the CDP in car electronic system will not go live in the near future and training is ongoing for the officers.
- **Training: Jerse/Ballard/Purcell:**
 - Four-hour in-service training is ongoing. Using CDP peer support volunteers as part of the training to talk with the officers in the wellness section.
 - Working on the 40-hour Specialized CIT Training and gathering materials from current presenters of CIT training, such as: power points, resumes, lesson plans and manuals. It was acknowledged that this has been a slow process but it is moving along.
 - The entire training committee will review and discuss the materials during an upcoming meeting. The ADAMHS Board will share the drafts of the 40-hour training with training committee members for feedback through a web-based mechanism that is being finalized.

2018 Annual Report and 2019 Work Plan: Osiecki/Eckart/Purcell

- Brief discussion regarding the need for Committee Chairs to start to think about their accomplishments to be included in the 2018 MHRAC Annual Report.
- Committee Chairs were also asked to identify specific areas they believe MHRAC should place on its 2019 Action Plan. It was noted that the DOJ and the Monitors no longer require specific areas or topics that need to be addressed by MHRAC and allows the Committees to define its work areas for the upcoming year.

2019 Meeting Schedule: Ballard

- The MHRAC Meetings Schedule for 2019 was distributed. The group has asked to notice that some of the date changes were due to schedule conflicts and holidays.

Next Meeting:

- Monday, January 14, 2019 at 9:00 a.m.

Meeting adjourned at 10:40 a.m.