Present: Co Chairs: William M. Denihan & Captain James Purcell

Committee Members: Carole Ballard, ADAMHS Board; Richard Cirillo, PhD, Cuyahoga County Board of Developmental Disabilities; Gabriella Celeste, Case Western Reserve University; Sgt. Melissa Dawson, Cleveland Division of Police; Dr. Randolph Dupont, Cleveland Monitoring Team; Mike Evanovich, Department of Justice; Tara Foxworth, Hitchcock House; John Garrity, ADAMHS Board; Rev. Ben Gohlstin, ADAMHS Board; Yolanda Gordon, Cleveland Municipal Court; Valeria Harper, ADAMHS Board; Larry Heller, Cleveland State University; Vincent Holland, Community Advocate; Shannon Jerse, St. Vincent Charity Hospital; Judge Hollie Gallagher, Cuyahoga County Common Pleas Court; Derek Moore, Cleveland Municipal Court; Deputy Chief Joellen O’Neill, Cleveland Division of Police; Scott Osiecki, ADAMHS Board; Judy Peters, The Centers; Tej Singh, Concerned Citizen & Business Owner; Kathleen Stoll, Community Advocate; Carolyn Szweda, Cleveland VA Center; Heather Tonsing Volosin, Department of Justice; Judge Greg White, City of Cleveland; Thomas Williams, ADAMHS; Mike Woody, CIT International.

Community Police Commission Liaison: Kathleen Clegg, MD, University Hospitals

Cleveland Monitoring Team: Charles See, Lutheran Ministries

Guests: Pythias D. Jones, M.D., ADAMHS Board

Samantha Reid, Community Advocate

Mr. Denihan opened the meeting at 9:05 a.m. The meeting minutes for October 13, 2016 summary was reviewed. One correction was noted by Rev. Gohlstin indicating that his name was left off the minutes. MHRAC approved the minutes.

CIT Data Report: Thomas Williams and Carole Ballard, ADAMHS Board

Data Committee met in November to review the preliminary draft of the data collected from the CIT Stat Sheets. Data collection period was from October 1, 2015 to August 31, 2016. Data continues to be entered for September and October 2016.

Reviewed the comparison of data from 2015 to present. Data does not reflect broad changes from last year. Now looking at refining the data elements in order to answer questions posed last year i.e. who is calling for help; locations; repeat calls and why are people calling.

Questions from the MHRAC committee-are CIT officers deployed for heroin overdose issues? How do we know how many CIT officers are available by district? What is the follow up from providers and others when police encounter their clients? What is the follow up from the emergency rooms? What and how is arrest data communicated?

Chief Denihan indicated that internal discussions within the ADAMHS Board are needed to look at some these situations in order to work with our providers. Look for trends and patterns as well as service needs. Use the data to make strategic decisions. Data committee will re-run the data for discussion in the December meeting.

CIT Settlement Agreement All Provider Meeting: Carole Ballard

ADAMHS Board hosted an All Provider meeting with its contract behavioral health agencies on October 28, 2016. About 46 people were in attendance representing mental health, drug and alcohol, children and adult services. Meeting generated lots of interests from our providers regarding working with the Cleveland Division of Police. ADAMHS Board will follow up with sharing the Community Resource Cards with providers.
Policy Review and Discussion: Gabriella Celeste

Department of Justice, Cleveland Monitoring Team are in collaboration with the Cleveland Division of Police regarding the CIT Program and Policies. Committee will meet to review feedback from the upcoming Community Public Forum on December 13, 2016. Next meeting for the Policy Committee is December 15, 2016. Will incorporate responses from the public forum and share with MHRAC in January.

Community Outreach Committee: Larry Heller

The Public Forum is scheduled for December 13, 2016. There will be two sessions, one at 1:00 p.m. at Murtis Taylor and the other at the Urban Community School at 6:00 p.m. Committee will work with all parties to get the word out to the community about the public forum. There will be mechanism developed to make the CIT Policies online for the community to review and comment. Need volunteers to assist with the event as facilitators for small group discussions and registration. Follow up meeting is being planned.

Community Engagement Committee: Judy Peters

Community resource cards will be attached to the new CIT Program and Policies. Discussion followed regarding the use of private cell phone numbers of providers who are available after hours. ADAMHS Board will reach out to PEP and Murtis Taylor on these issues. ADAMHS Board to distribute the cards to providers so they will know in advance of their distribution to officers. Deadline date for further edits to the Community Resource Cards is December 12.

Diversion Committee: Carole Ballard

Co-Responder Team was discussed. Seeing the same issues on repeat calls, lack of consistent follow up in the system and communication. Five arrests were noted from the data but the people had active warrants. Need more follow up after people are admitted to the ER, i.e., are people being reconnected with providers? Next meeting with the Diversion Committee is being scheduled.

New Business:

John Garrity from the ADAMHS Board indicated that the Board received a federal grant for an Assisted Outpatient Treatment Team and Services. This program will be implemented by FrontLine Services. The team will provide intensive services for people who have a history of non-compliance with medication and services. Some of the people identified as repeat calls to police could be eligible for these services.

Meeting adjourned at 10:35