



Care First, Jails Last Taskforce

UNAPPROVED Minutes

Thursday, April 28, 2022 | 1:00 PM – 2:30 PM

This meeting was conducted exclusively through videoconference and teleconference



Webinar via Zoom: [Cares First, Jails Last Task Force \(April 28, 2022\)](#)

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chair Karyn Tribble at 1:06p.m.

Roll Call & Introductions

Members Present: Abbott; Bedrossian; Bloom; Danao; Dasheill; Dixon; Graves; Lee; Louis; Neideffer; Penn; Sheehan-Rahman; Singh; Staratt; Toro; Chair Tribble.

Members Excused: Cespedes; Naranjo

Members Absent: Pingali

Agreement to Hold Monthly Virtual Meetings

Approval granted to hold meetings via teleconference pursuant to AB361. This is to promote social distancing due to the state and local measures in response to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. This recommendation follows the 09/28/2021 County Board of Supervisors' adoption of the Health Care Services Agency Director's recommendation that the Board implement social distancing for its meetings.

A motion was made by Member Toro and seconded by Member Dasheill acknowledging the state and local measure responses to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and also to continue holding meetings via teleconference in accordance with the Brown Act.

Ayes: Abbott; Bloom; Danao; Dasheill; Graves; Lee; Neideffer; Singh; Toro;
Chair Tribble

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Public Comment

Public comment was given.

Review and Approve Prior Meeting's Minutes

A motion to approve March 24, 2022 meeting minutes was made by Member Neideffer and seconded by Member Bloom.

Ayes: Abbott; Bedrossian; Bloom; Danao; Dasheill; Graves; Lee; Louis; Neideffer;
Singh; Staratt; Toro; Chair Tribble

Noes: None

Abstain: None



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DISCUSSION ITEMS

Meeting Agreement:

- Remain on camera when possible
- Share airtime
- Embrace curiosity
- Stay on topic and on time
- Practice 'both/and' thinking

CFJL Timeline Review

Currently the Taskforce's timeline is split into 4 main categories focusing on different elements of the final implementation plan, which includes:

Phase 1: Launch Taskforce, Review Data and Define System Changes (March-22)

Phase 2: Map Ideal System and Develop Countywide Plan (September-22)

Phase 3: Develop Agency/ Department Plans (March-23)

Phase 4: Deliver Final Implementation Plans (April-24)

CFJL Interview Updates

RDA is currently conducting interviews to learn more about each members' perspective regarding their goals for the taskforce. This way RDA will have an idea on what the members' expectations are moving forward.

Sequential Intercept Model (SIM) Overview

The SIM model provides a framework for thinking about where people come into contact with the system and where they can be diverted to services. Each department will have a different role in each of the intercepts. Now, the task of the Taskforce is to ensure that the use of the model is imbedded into the system.

Following the new expanded sequential intercept model, there are an additional two intercepts present. Intercept -2 and Intercept -1 are extensions of Intercept 0 which focuses on Hospital, Crisis Respite, Peer & Community Services.

According to the JIMHT Recommendations Roadmap to Implementation the following are the Tier 1 prioritized recommendations: Greatly expand affordable housing & supportive living, Expand youth prevention & TAY services, Expand conflict mediation & violence prevention programs, Expand non-law enforcement involved crisis response, Expand acute care county-wide, Design Forensic diversion, & reentry services system of care, and continue to integrate innovative rehabilitative programs in community supervision.



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JIMH Report Summary

As of July 2020 ACBH, requested JIMHT to develop formal recommendations to reduce the number of persons with mental illness in jail. With over 200 people involved in the JIMHT community engagement process from July 2020 - October 2020, they presented 72 formal recommendations including 17 priorities.

Discussion & Questions

Member Dixon expressed her concern about Intercept 5, placing more probation officers in the jail. She mentioned that a better solution would be to place more service workers (i.e. social workers, mental health specialist).

Member Lee posed a question regarding the individuals who are no longer on probation or on AB 1950 (early dismissal) whether they would fall back to Intercept 5 or revert to a different intercept point? Facilitator Freedman replied that each case will be determined on a case-by-case basis knowing that each case is unique on its own.

Member Dashiell urged that families of the SMI should be a priority of the Task Force as a preventative measure. Member Louis seconds this comment and in addition adds that educating/equipping the families with resources to help their family members remain out of the jail system should be a priority.

Member Bedrossian expressed her concern about the direction of the task force indicating that the focus seems to be focused on the system reform rather than on the SMI who are the intended target. She also requests the board to provide clarity on what work has already been done by JIMHT versus what needs the Task Forces' input.

Public Comment

Public comment was given.

Recap, Close & Next Steps:

1. Review recommendations by Intercept
2. Identify any additional strategies or those that are already in progress
3. Identify the Intercept(s) subcommittees you are most interested in working on

Meeting adjourned at 2:32 PM

Next meeting May 26, 2022 at 1:00 pm

Agenda, minutes and meeting recordings are available online

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