



Care First, Jails Last Taskforce

APPROVED Minutes

Thursday, October 27, 2022 | 1:00 PM – 2:30 PM

This meeting was conducted exclusively through videoconference and teleconference



Webinar via Zoom: [Care First, Jails Last Task Force \(October 27, 2022\)](#)

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chair Karyn Tribble at 1:03 p.m.

Roll Call & Introductions

Members present: Abbott; Bloom; Buchanan; Danao; Dasheill; Ford; Graves; Lee; Neff; Neideffer; Souza; Syren; Toro; Chair Tribble.

Excused: Romero

Absent: Bedrossian; Cespedes; Dixon; Louis; Penn; Sheehan-Rahman; Staratt

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 Bloom and seconded by Member Ford 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; Ford; Graves; Lee; Neideffer; Souza; Toro; Chair Tribble

Noes: None

Abstain: Syren

Public Comment Open & Closed

Review and Approve Prior Meeting's Minutes

A motion to approve September 22, 2022 Taskforce meeting minutes was made by Member Neideffer and seconded by Member Abbott.

Ayes: Abbott; Bloom; Buchanan; Danao; Dasheill; Ford; Graves; Lee; Neideffer; Souza; Toro; Chair Tribble



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Discussion Items

Data Request Update

As of now, the ACBH data team is answering the proposed questions from the September 22nd meeting. In the next meeting, there will be an update on the data answers and the data presentation from Reimagining Adult Justice (RAJ).

Homework Review

JIMH Recommendations Implementation Update by Intercept

Intercept -2: Prevention

ACBH: Regional approach to South & East County Services; New Axis Community Health Pilot (Pleasanton, East City); New Washington Hospital (Fremont South City); Design Forensic, Diversion, & Re-Entry Services System of Care; Create Director of Forensic, Diversion, & Re-Entry Services Position

Housing and Community Development: Fund affordable housing & focus on building housing for extremely low income and special needs populations; From federal COVID-relief funding. HCD has awarded \$120 million in Emergency Rental Assistance to extremely and very low-income households.

Sheriff's Office: Deputy Sherriff's Activity League (DSAL) Projects in Eden Area: Circular Food Economy (with ALL IN Alameda County); Dig Deep Farms; Food Recovery; Food as Medicine (with Alameda County Health Care Alliance and federal GUSNIP grant funding; Food Hub; Re-Entry Internships at Dig Deep Farms; Free recreational health & fitness programs; Eden Area Business Collective; Mural Projects.

Public Defender: PD Brendon woods chaired the Process Evaluation Workgroup which advocated for people to be enrolled in healthcare before leaving custody, prior to CALAIM making it a requirement.

Probation Department: Grant Funded Alameda County Young Adult Opioid Initiative; Community engagement and family-centered events to increase resources and positive community connections for ACPD clients; Health service access at the Center of Reentry Excellence (CORE).

Intercept -1: Early Intervention

ACBH: Re-Tool Crisis Intervention Training (CIT); Expand 5150 & 5585 capacity to place/release countywide (Pilot); Initiate Feasibility Study to explore Capital Expansion for Acute Inpatient; Expand



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24-hour Crisis Services Call Center; Develop (2) Substance Use Mobile Outreach Teams; Co-locate TAY behavioral health services & Develop Forensic TAY Programming targeting African American Youth; Re-design & Create New Outpatient Service Team(s) Model.

Sheriff's Office: Youth & Family Services Bureau (YFSB) Behavioral Health Unit (BHU) has 13 LCSW, MFT, and Substance Abuse Specialist @ 43 location. Programs include: Juvenile Diversion for youth who have been arrested for minor offenses; Mental Health Outpatient Clinic; Mental Health Services at REACH Ashland Youth Center.

Office of Homelessness Care & Coordination: Opportunity Accelerator project will develop and implement an early identification system for upstream interventions, including housing supports and other social services and will assist in developing a "Prevention Hub"; Multiple projects under state's Community Care Expansion program, >\$41m awarded in Alameda County. This will increase the total board & care portfolio and additional supportive housing units with enhanced medical support. Semi-annual RFP to expand B&C contractors and beds; Proposed a Rapid Response Team that would provide a dedicated Street Health team with an LCSW and Community Health Outreach Workers, plus housing/shelter navigation and psychiatric supervision.

Probation Department: Family Reunification providers offer parenting classes, reunification supports, barrier removal/stability support, healthy relationship workshops; Peer to Peer MH with the intention of peer-led mental health support groups in key spaces; Modify AB109 BH contracts to include client outreach, MH workshops, and psychoeducation in key spaces including ACPD offices.

Intercept 0: Hospitals and Crisis Intervention

ACBH: Expand Satellite Urgent Care Clinic Hours & Services; NEW ACCESS Outpatient System Referrals & Admissions Redesign Initiative; Overnight Crisis Support Services (AKA: Overnight Mobile Crisis Services & Crisis Calls; NEW 988 System Planning & Coordination; Expand Crisis Services; Significantly increase the capacity of residential treatment beds countywide; 6-Bed Forensic Peer Respite (from Santa Rita Jail, on Probation, or at-risk)

Public Defender: PD's office worked on the Living Room Proposal

Probation Department: Clients 5150'd from housing sites have been released with no follow up housing plan/services. We have taken informal solutions to address this individual client level, but this remains a critical service area gap/need; Modify AB109 BH contracts to provide dedicated crisis and triage services for ACPD clients residing in the community (or ACPD housing) and in need of MH services or at risk of rearrest/hospitalization.

Intercept 1: Law Enforcement & Emergency Services

ACBH: Direct In-Home Outreach Team (IHOT) & Assisted Outpatient Treatment (AOT) Referrals by Law Enforcement Departments



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Sheriff's Office: Partnership with Community Assessment and Transport Teams (CATT); Transport to Community Assessment, Referral, and Engagement Services (C.A.R.E.S.) Navigation Center; Participation in Multi-Disciplinary Forensic Team (MDFT) monthly meetings.

Public Defender: PD's office met with OPD years ago about starting up the LEAD program.

Intercept 2: Initial Detention and Courts

ACBH: Pre-trial Diversion: Increase Funding to Collaborative Courts/ Mental Health Courts

Public Defender: Improve Behavioral Health Court in collaboration with the DA's office, courts, and ACBH; PD's office instrumental in creating and expanding Community Conservatorship program; PD worked with DA's office, ACBH, and other stakeholders to develop and institute MH diversion program; Support services for people when they go to court – Through the PD's in-house social worker and advocate program; Include families in the court notification processes and systems (with clients' permissions to communicate with their families.); Participatory Defense Model utilized by individual attorneys on a case-by-case basis; Implementation & Expansion of Assisted Outpatient Treatment (AOT)

Probation Department: ACPD expands AB109 definition to include those participating in BH and collaborative courts; Continued conversations with the Courts to promote CORE services to AB109 eligible population not currently active to Probation (e.g. pre-trial release, collaborative court, etc.)

Public Comment

Public Comment was given.

Recap, Close & Next Steps:

1. Presentation of data from the Reimagining Adult Justice Task Force
2. Will review department plan templates and begin to work through the intercepts

Meeting adjourned at 2:30 PM

Next meeting November 17, 2022 at 1:00 pm

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