



## Care First, Jails Last Taskforce

### APPROVED Minutes

Thursday, November 17, 2022 | 1:00 PM – 2:30 PM

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Care First,  
Jails Last

**Webinar via Zoom:** [Care First, Jails Last Task Force \(November 17, 2022\)](#)

#### Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chair Karyn Tribble at 1:07 p.m.

#### Roll Call & Introductions

Members present: Abbott; Bedrossian; Bloom; Buchanan; Dasheill; Ford; Graves; Lee; Louis; Neff; Romero; Souza; Staratt; Toro; Chair Tribble.

Excused: Danao, Syren

Absent: Cespedes, Dixon, Neideffer, Penn, Sheehan-Rahman

#### 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 Louis and seconded by Member Ford acknowledging the state and local measure responses to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and to continue holding meetings via teleconference in accordance with the Brown Act.

Ayes: Abbott; Bedrossian; Bloom; Buchanan; Dasheill; Ford; Graves; Lee; Louis; Romero; Souza; Staratt; Toro; Chair Tribble

Noes: None

Abstain: Neff

#### Public Comment Open & Closed

#### Review and Approve Prior Meeting's Minutes

A motion to approve October 27, 2022, Taskforce meeting minutes was made by Member Bloom and seconded by Member Dasheill.



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Noes: None

Abstain: Bedrossian, Louis, Neff

## Discussion Items

### Intercept 3: Jail

**ACBH:** Expand Forensic Linkage Program at Santa Rita

**District Attorney:** Certified Peer Support Specialist Program (Pilot began July 2021) and Cares and Navigation Center

**Sheriff's Office:** CALAIM: Partnering with Reimagining Adult Justice Initiative, Alameda Alliance, and other to implement CalAIM's Services and Supports for Justice-Involved Adult effort

**Probation Department:** Post-COVID AB109 contracted provides are regaining access into SRJ. Currently 1 AB109 MH team has clearance and expressed interest to provide in-reach. Other in-reach conducted via telephone or tablets; Limited coordination, information, and discharge planning available from AFBH (Adult Forensic Behavioral Health) regarding in-custody ACPD clients with known MH needs; Upcoming RFP (in review) related to pre-release planning and service coordination via outreach and MDT meetings.

ACPD intends to modify AB109 BH contracts and work toward collaboration and discharge planning with AFBH for mutual clients.

### Intercept 4: Re-entry

**ACBH:** High fidelity Assertive Community Treatment (ACT) and Forensic Assertive Community Treatment (FACT) Teams; Prioritize the care of "high utilizers" of county behavioral health and forensic services to ensure that they are connected to appropriate treatments and facilities; Expand Short Term & Permanent Housing: Board & Care Facility Options

**Housing and Community Development:** Expanded capacity building programs for organizations, especially faith-based, to develop housing for special needs populations like Reentry populations.

**Sheriff's Office:** Operation My Home Town (OMHT): Evidence-based reentry model anchored by the YFSB clinical staff

**Office of Homeless Care & Coordination:** OHCC is working with ACBH, Probation, and others to plan for the addition of housing and community supports and connections to coordinated entry in advance of release from criminal justice facilities.



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**Public Defender:** PD's office developed a Northern CA-wide social work group where resources, training, and case consultation are shared and enable clients to access programming; PD Social work/Advocate program works with clients and service providers to develop and facilitate reentry plans.

**Probation Department:** AB109 funding for Safe Landing Transportation shuttle between SRJ and Dublin BART; Dedicated funding for AB109 BH programs in areas of M2M and SMI; AB109 funds 2 Recovery Residences for eligible clients; AB109 funds for the Center of Reentry Excellence (CORE); AB109 housing programs may receive individuals directly out of SRJ or CDCR; Expansion of community Programs team (Reentry Service Coordinator); Pre-release planning RFP: hope to have CBO partner at every entry/exit point; CORE RFO reissued; new CORE intends to have co-located space for health providers to conduct direct outreach and service provision; ACPD is seeking to gain access into Clinician's Gateway and the Community Health Record (CHR) to better coordinate care; ACPD intends to modify AB109 BH programs to improve outreach, service connections, retention, and outcomes; COSSAP Grant – funding received for 12-bed housing with in-house dual diagnosis supports and MAT services; program may receive clients directly out of SRJ

#### Intercept 5: Community Support

**Probation Department:** ACPD chairs the Prop 47 Local Advisory Committee Meetings; AB109 Family Reunification Providers and other contracted provider assisting with community stabilization; 6 month housing stipend available for family members housing ACPD client; Community Outreach Worker; peer relationship – changes culture of ACPD and increases client benefit to work alongside those with live experience; ACPD helps to advance the work of several CCP Subcommittees including health, MH, and SUD; ACPD chairs the Program and Services CCPEC workgroup to update and develop programming to address client needs and County Service landscape; Reentry Service Coordinators on staff to address work silos, improve service connection, experience, and outcomes, as well as build community capacity and bridge ACPD-community relationships; Community engagement events for current clients to destigmatize ACPD client population, connect them with natural community supports, and link providers/resources. These events have included other County entities and CBO's; Provides added benefit of (-2 Prevention); Ongoing ACPD trainings and changes related to probation approaches, case management strategies, and values of whole person care; Cross-training conducted by Reentry Service Coordinators to help providers work more effectively with ACPD staff and clients; Expansion of Community Outreach Workers within ACPD to assist with relationship, systems, and program navigations; The updated CORE model will also include co-located space for program Ambassadors (i.e., clients who have successfully completed programming) to receive training, conduct outreach, and provide direct service; MH housing is flagged as an ongoing need; ACPD requires direct assistance from clinical team to navigate crisis and MH housing referrals/ connections; Family respite support and coaching to maintain individuals with natural supports is flagged as an ongoing need and potential growth areas.



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#### Implementation Ideas/Recommendations by Department Intercepts -2 & -1

- Focus on 16-17-year-old, that can be identified by other agencies, such as juvenile justice Agency, through a great risk if becoming a part of the criminal justice system. Intervening with high-risk juveniles.
- TAY who are in college and high school who are having acute mental health crisis' and providing services for them.
- Housing for TAY and enhancing criteria for hospitalization and who qualifies for services particularly for those who age out into adulthood.
- Young adults in acute mental health facilities who are having their first psychotic break and prioritizing that group for services to prevent those further challenges in the future.

#### Public Comment

Public Comment was given.

Motion to move forward with the 4 recommendations summarized by Dr. Taylor by Member Bloom and seconded by Member Ford.

Ayes: Abbott; Bedrossian; Bloom; Buchanan; Ford; Graves; Lee; Louis; Romero; Souza; Staratt; Toro; Chair Tribble

Noes: None

Abstain: None

#### Recap, Close & Next Steps:

1. Complete first draft of recommendations (brainstorm)
2. Will review department plan templates and discuss plan development process for 2023

**Meeting adjourned at 2:37 PM**

**Next meeting December 15, 2022 at 1:00 pm**

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