

Criminal Justice and Mental Illness: What Are the Next Steps?

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I. Building the Mental Health System

Great progress has been made in creating an array of mental health services and supports. (see chart). The problem is that while we know what works– we don't have enough and there is a workforce shortage. People do get assessed in the emergency rooms but if they don't meet hospital level of care there are few alternatives. No urgent cares treat mental illnesses. Some hospitals have psychiatric emergency rooms.

II. Alternatives to Criminal Justice

- CIT and other police training
- 911 operators doing warm handoffs to mental health crisis teams
- One crisis number in the state
- More mobile mental health teams
- Yellow Line Project
- Protected transport
- Stepping Up Projects
- Mental Health and Problem Solving Courts

III. Treatment in Jails

- OLA report identified several problems
- Screened for mental health but not assessed
- No requirement for individual treatment plans
- Restrictive medication formularies
- Can't administer involuntary medications even if a jarvis order
- Poor discharge planning
- Lack of sharing information with human services
- Staff training varies
- No ombudsman to follow up on complaints
- Months before decision to commit takes place
- Some community mental health centers and jails are collaborating to provide treatment

IV. Treatment in Prisons

- Need for more treatment and mental health staff
- Need to restrict the use of solitary confinement

Mental Health Promotion and Illness Prevention	Early Intervention	Basic Clinical Services	Community Services and Supports	Hospitalization and Residential Treatment	Crisis Response Services
Individual/Family Level Follow Along Program Child and Teen Check-Ups Birth Defects New Born Follow-Up Family Home visiting (eligible families) Early Childhood Family Education Parent supports Integrated Adult/Children's Mental Health School- and Classroom- Based Supports and Programs Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports Bullying Prevention Diversion and Restorative Justice Youth Development and Prevention Mentoring Economic and Nutrition Supports (e.g. WIC) Skills Development Initiatives (e.g. Army Soldier and Family Fitness) Culture and Language Preservation programs Support and Resource Groups Senior Initiatives Community and Systems Level Community Capacity (Including Community Resiliency Planning and	Home visiting (M) Early childhood mental health (MG) First Episode programs (PMG) ACES work (Adverse Childhood Experiences) (G) Mental Health First Aid (G)	Physician/Primary Care (PM) Psychiatrist (PM) Mental Health Professional (PM) Community Mental Health Center (PMG) Community Health Center (PMG) School-linked Mental Health (PMG) Clinical Care Consultation (with mental health professionals) (M) Dialectic Behavior Therapy (DBT) (PM) Telemedicine (PM)	Case Management (M) Targeted Case Management (M) Community Support Programs/Club Houses (G) Children's Therapeutic Services and Supports (M) Adult Rehab Mental Health Services (M) Assertive Community Treatment (M) Youth Assertive Community Treatment (M) Respite Care (child) (G) Personal Care Assistance (PCA) Community First Services and Supports (M) Community Alternatives for People with Disabilities Waiver Independent Living Services (ILS) (M) Behavioral Health Homes (M) Health Care Homes (M) Therapeutic Foster Care (M) Family Foster Care (G IVE) Corporate Foster Care (G) Supportive Housing (G) Warm Lines Wellness Recovery Action Plan Training Special Ed/504 Plans and Intermediates and Coops (Ed funding and M) Community Paramedics (M)	Day Treatment (PM) Mother/Baby Partial (PMG) Partial Hospitalization (PM) In-reach Services (M) Inpatient (PM) Community Behavioral Health Hospital (PM) Children's Residential Treatment (PM & IVE) Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facilities (child) (PM) Intensive Residential Treatment (adults) (MG) State Operated Secure (Anoka Metro Regional Treatment Center, Minnesota Security Hospital, Child & Adolescent Behavioral Health Services (G) Subacute for Children (MA)	Crisis numbers (G) Crisis teams (PM) Crisis stabilization (MG) Crisis homes (adults) (G) Psych Emergency Departments (PM) Psych Urgent Care (MG)

Implementation) Social Connectedness Initiatives Education and Outreach (e.g. Adverse Childhood Experience) Suicide Prevention Community Planning Integrated Mental Health and Primary Care Systems improvements & policy changes Mental health consultation (e.g., child care) Trauma Informed Systems Development Workplace wellness initiatives			Bridges Housing (G) Crisis Housing Fund (G) Peer-led Support Groups Illness Management and Recovery (M)		
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P- Private insurance

M – Medicaid or MNCare

G- Grants