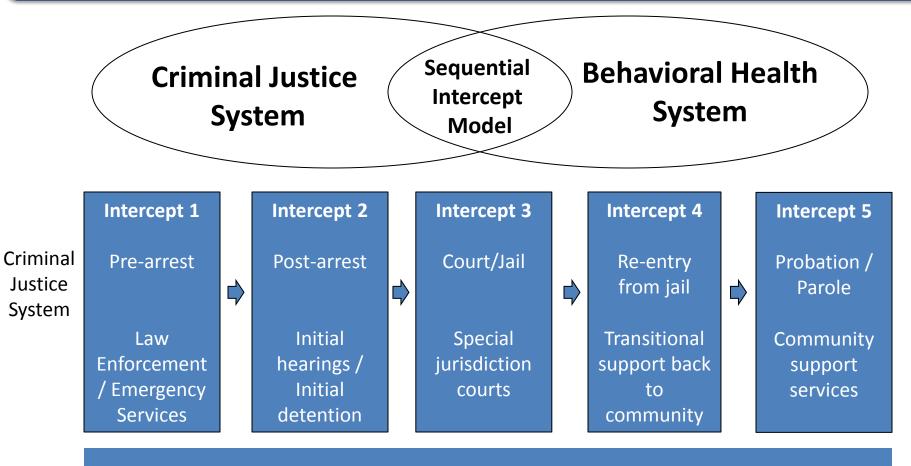
NYS DCJS

Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program

NYS Grant Background & Parameters

- DCJS-Office of Probation and Correctional Alternatives receives federal
 U.S. DOJ Bureau of Justice Assistance grant to work in up to 10 designated
 IMPACT counties in collaboration with NYS OMH to reduce crime and
 improve outcomes for individuals with mental illness.
- One of 40 awards granted nationally from 279 applications for the JMHCP Planning and Implementation grants.
- Award is for a total of \$250,000 and includes a 6-month planning period followed by 18 months for implementation to provide TA and Training.
- The Council of State Governments Justice Center is the technical assistance coordinator for the grant.
- Phase 1 Counties include Westchester, Schenectady, Rensselaer, Nassau and Monroe Counties.
- Justice Mental Health Collaboration Grant adopts Sequential Intercept Model developed by Policy Research Associates & the SAMHSA Gains Center.

Sequential Intercept Model: Overview



Diversion of appropriate adults throughout CJ system



BH System Community Services and Supports: crisis support, residential and vocational support, case management, treatment

Deliverables

Training and technical assistance will be provided to Phase 1 Counties. Primary deliverables include:

- Provide sequential intercept mapping of the county criminal justice system to identify opportunities to screen, evaluate and engage individuals with mental illness in treatment leading to successful outcomes.
- Train and provide technical assistance in implementing probation/mental health supervision/case management model. Credential probation officer-mental health specialist position.
- Technical assistance in developing Peer Advocacy Support
- Technical assistance in establishing *Care Coordination* model.
- Establish uniform project intercept dashboard.

Deliverables continued

Secondary deliverables include:

- Training in the use of fully validated mental health screening tools at pretrial, jail admission and probation investigation and supervision intercept points.
- Training police, other first responders, and probation in the Emotionally Disturbed Persons Response Team (EDPRT) or the Critical Incident Officer Training (CIOT).
- Providing technical assistance to county jails in screening, assessment, programming and pre-release planning for individuals with mental illness.

Outcomes

- Identification of and the potential diversion of repeat non-violent mentally ill offenders into appropriate treatment and community supervision programs utilizing the sequential intercept model.
- Reduction of recidivism for individuals with serious mental illness who become involved in the criminal justice system.
- Significant long term cost savings across systems: police, courts, jails, emergency and inpatient hospitalizations, and other Medicaid funded treatment services, etc.
- Improved treatment outcomes for mentally ill offenders leaving local/county jail systems and for those under community supervision.
- Enhanced cross system collaboration.

NYS Next Steps

- Commence two-day Sequential Intercept Mapping with one-day follow-up report.
- Establish state/local interagency workgroup to facilitate and inform workgroup activities; building interest and sustaining the commitment on the local level.
- Provide Technical Assistance and Training to JMHCP counties.

Workgroups to include the County "Strategic partners" including; County Executives, Probation Directors/Commissioners, Commissioners of Corrections, Mental Health, Health and Social Services, Law Enforcement (Police and District Attorneys), Treatment Providers, Judges, Hospital Administrators, Advocates and Peers.

JMHCP Technical Assistance

INTERCEPT 1 LAW ENFORCEMENT

EDPRT (*Emotionally Disturbed Persons Response Team*) – This Critical Incident Training program is designed to develop police officers' effective communication with persons with Serious Mental Illness (SMI), provide information regarding mental illness and offer technical assistance to police departments to develop departmental procedures for responding to incidents involving persons with SMI.

First Responders Forum – First Responder Meetings focused on developing mutual goals and practices involving the response to persons with SMI. The First Responders Forum includes representatives from police, fire, EMS, hospital emergency, and mental health providers. One of the Primary Goals is to reduce total police time required to safely and effectively respond to incidents.

INTERCEPT 2 INITIAL DETENTION

Pretrial Screening and Identification of Individuals with SMI – Training to probation and private agency pretrial service programs in the use of standardized screening instruments to identify individuals with mental illness and co-occurring disorders following arrest.

INTERCEPT 3 JAILS/COURTS

Screening and Identification of Individuals with SMI – Offer training in the use of standardized screening instruments to identify individuals with SMI and/or co-occurring disorders.

Jail/Mental Health Information Sharing – Provide technical assistance on information sharing models between jail facilities and mental health treatment professionals/agencies.

INTERCEPT 4 RE-ENTRY

Discharge Planning and Linkage to Community-Based Treatment – Technical assistance and training to improve coordination between the jail and mental health clinicians in preparing inmates for discharge.

INTERCEPT 5 COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS

Probation Mental Health Specialized Supervision – Cross training of probation and mental health professionals to supervise/manage probationers with SMI or co-occurring disorders. Credential probation officers as supervision specialists.

Probation, Mental Health and Peer Specialist Supervision Groups – Offer technical assistance to implement peer advocacy supervision model leading to better outcomes supporting recovery.

ADDITIONAL JMHCP TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

Community Care Coordination – A program that ensures access to high quality services and promotes recovery using a Care Coordinator who creates and supports implementation of Individualized Service Plans. There have been demonstrated cost savings with this program in Westchester County.