

Incarceration Prevention and Reduction Task Force
Behavioral Health Subcommittee
Meeting Summary for July 8, 2019

1. Call To Order

The Committee members present began discussing the agenda items at 2:30 p.m. A quorum was not achieved until 2:52 p.m.

Members Present: Megan Ballew, Doug Chadwick, Dan Hammill, Kelli Linville, Byron Manering, Mike Parker

Also Present: Anne Deacon and Stephen Gockley

Members Absent: Ryan King

2. Discussion with GRACE service providers Sea Mar Community Health Center

Majora Christensen, GRACE Program Manager and Laura Woods, GRACE case manager, reported on the GRACE program, including:

- Staffing
- Workload
- Entry paths into the program
- The benefits of weekly staff meetings
- Working with courts and attorneys, law enforcement, housing managers, and others
- Family consultations

The committee members and presenters discussed:

- The need for a mobile responses team
- Data sharing with law enforcement and social service agencies via paramedicine software
- Whether the scoring matrix considers race and ethnicity and is data validated
- Next steps with a workgroup on measurement data and quality of life improvements
- Improving communication with the jail
- A gap in the service needs is reentry from jail and the hospital emergency department
- The differences between GRACE, the law enforcement assisted diversion (LEAD) program, and embedded providers
- Tracking racial and ethnic demographic data
- Workforce pay and burnout

The committee members and presenters discussed the possibility of giving a presentation to the full Task Force on August 12.

3. Review of updated Sequential Intercept Model program inventory

Parker gave a brief report and asked members to submit information on their programs to Jill Nixon by July 26.

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4. Review of new income initiatives (HBs 1406, 2263)

Hammill reported on the funding needs and initiatives.

Linville moved to recommend that the Task Force and County Council support moving forward with funding allowed through House Bill (HB) 1406. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

The committee discussed the timing of taxing requests.

5. Next Steps: Ideas & Further Information

This item was not discussed.

6. Other Business

There was no other business.

7. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

8. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m.