# SYSTEMS, STRUGGLES AND STRATEGIES: OPPORTUNITIES AT THE JUSTICE AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH INTERFACE

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#### **SYSTEMS**

Healthcare coverage Community (e.g., Mental Community Medicaid) Health Based Services Health Services Psychiatric Court-Hospital ordered Care services Correctional **Emergency** Institutional Community Room Care Care Substance **Use Services** 

RECIDIVISM:
A MEASURE OF RETURN
TO THE CRIMINAL
SYSTEM THAT MAY
INCLUDE REARREST,
REINCARCERATION,
TECHNICAL AND NONTECHNICAL VIOLATIONS

RECOVERY:
A PROCESS OF CHANGE
THROUGH WHICH
INDIVIDUALS IMPROVE
THEIR HEALTH AND
WELLNESS, LIVE A SELFDIRECTED LIFE, AND STRIVE
TO REACH THEIR FULL
POTENTIAL (SAMHSA 2014)

E.G., Symptom
Resolution,
Sobriety, Reduced
Recidivism, Social
Connectedness,
Employment,
Education,
Independent
Living, SelfReliance

## Regulatory/Statutory Definitions of Mental Illness

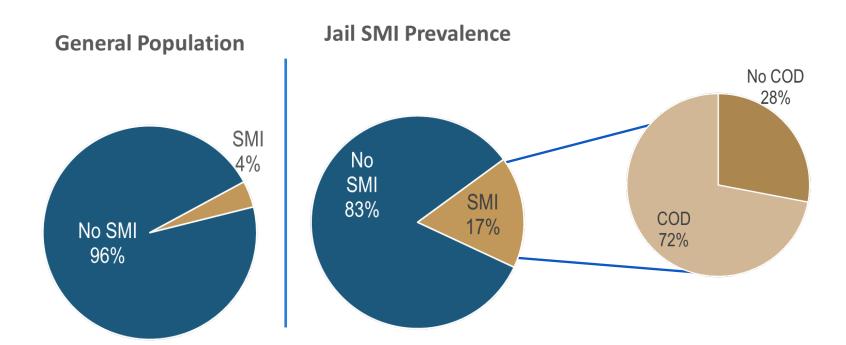
- Michigan: MCL 330.1400(g) "Mental illness" means a substantial disorder of thought or mood that significantly impairs judgment, behavior, capacity to recognize reality, or ability to cope with the ordinary demands of life.
- Illinois: (405 ILCS 5/1-129)
  Sec. 1-129. Mental illness. "Mental illness"
  means a mental, or emotional disorder that
  substantially impairs a person's thought,
  perception of reality, emotional process,
  judgment, behavior, or ability to cope with the
  ordinary demands of life, but does not include a
  developmental disability, dementia or
  Alzheimer's disease absent psychosis, a
  substance use disorder, or an abnormality
  manifested only by repeated criminal or
  otherwise antisocial conduct.
  (Source: P.A. 100-759, eff. 1-1-19.

#### System Intersections

- Community "civil" systems
  - Crisis system, emergency services
  - Psychiatric services
  - State Hospitals
- Criminal systems
  - Courts
  - Jails
  - Prisons
  - Forensic beds at state hospitals

#### STRUGGLES

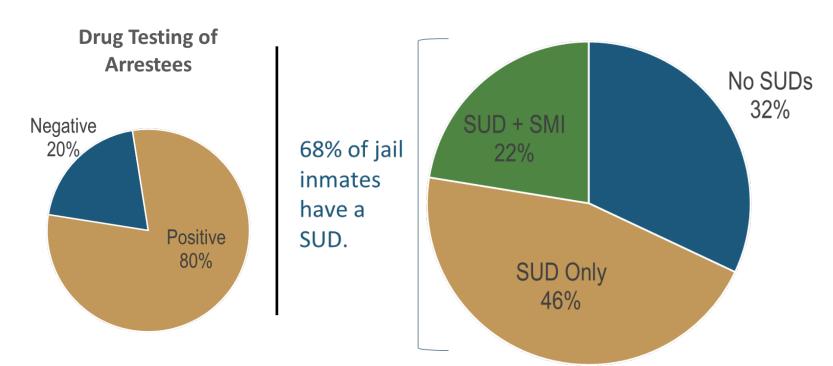
#### Jails and Mental Disorders





#### Jails and Substance Use Disorders

**Jail Population with SUDs** 



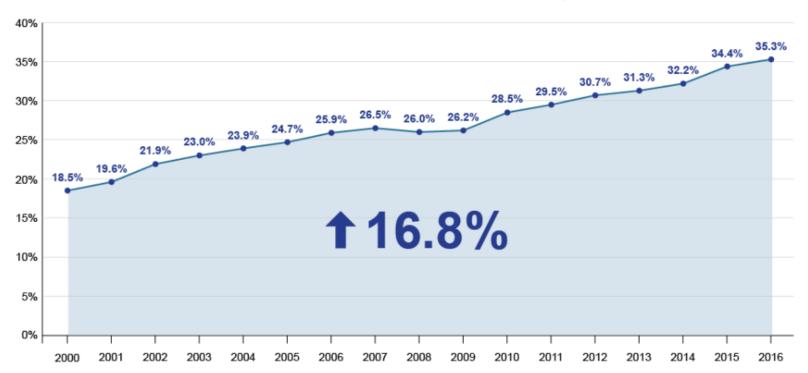


## Negative Consequences Related to Child Welfare Systems

- From 2009 to 2016, the percentage of entries submitted to foster care, for which parental substance use was a contributing factor, rose from 26% to 34%, representing the largest percentage increase among reasons for home removal.
- State child welfare directors attributed a significant portion of the rise in foster placement rates to parental substance use, particularly the rise in opioid and methamphetamine use
- Source: <a href="https://www.ajmc.com/journals/supplement/2019/death-s-dollars-diverted-resources-opioid-epidemic/considering-child-welfare-system-burden-opioid-misuse-research-priorities-estimating-public-costs">https://www.ajmc.com/journals/supplement/2019/death-s-dollars-diverted-resources-opioid-epidemic/considering-child-welfare-system-burden-opioid-misuse-research-priorities-estimating-public-costs</a>

#### Child Welfare Impacts

Prevalence of Parental Alcohol or Other Drug Use as a Contributing Factor for Reason for Removal in the United States, 2000 to 2016



https://ncsacw.samhsa.gov/resources/child-welfare-and-treatment-statistics.aspx

## Negative Consequences: Opioid Use and Reentry After Incarceration, and Risk of Death

(Ranapurwala et al 2018)

**RELAPSE**: Within 3 months of release, 75% of formerly incarcerated individuals with an OUD relapse to opioid use.<sup>5</sup>

**RECIDIVISM**: Within 1 year, 40 to 50% are arrested for a new crime.<sup>19</sup>

OPIOID OVERDOSE DEATH: OOD for former prison inmates was 40x higher at 2 weeks post-release and 11x higher at 1-year post-release compared to general population in one study out of North Carolina.<sup>23</sup>

RISK FACTORS: Inmates at greatest risk were within 2 weeks of release, 26-50 years old, male, white and with more than two prior prison terms and had received in-prison mental health and substance use treatment. <sup>23</sup>



## Relationship between crime and Symptoms (Peterson et al 2014)

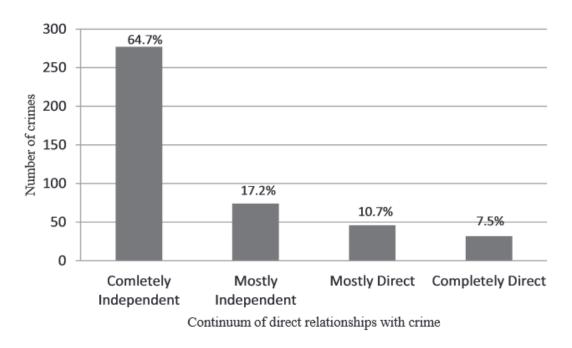


Figure 3. Distribution of crimes along the direct continuum from independent to direct.

#### Race/Ethnicity and Mental Illness

- Healthcare disparities
- Criminal justice disparities
- Social determinants of health
  - Poverty
  - Environmental factors
  - Social context

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Model 1 (N=11,446) <sup>b</sup>		
Defendants referred for an		
inpatient evaluation, both genders		
White	1	_
Black	1.26	1.136-1.397***
Hispanic	.806	.713–.912
Model 2 (N=9,255) <sup>b</sup>		
Defendants referred for an		
inpatient evaluation, males only		
White	1	_
Black	1.247	1.113-1.398***
Hispanic	.819	.717935**
Model 3 (N=9,255) <sup>b</sup>		
Defendants referred for an inpatient evaluation		
in a strict-security facility, males only		
White	1	_
Black	1.87	1.609-2.175***
Hispanic	1.374	1.153–1.638**

### DIFFERENCES IN CRIMINAL FORENSIC CASE ROUTING BY RACE/ETHNICITY

Pinals, Packer, et al. 2004

#### **Shifting Burdens**

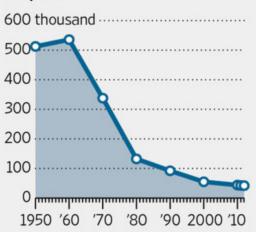
Since 1950, a third of state psychiatric hospitals have closed and others have cut patient capacity. Many in need of treatment eventually wind up in the prison system.

#### State psychiatric hospitals



Source: NASMHPD Research Institute

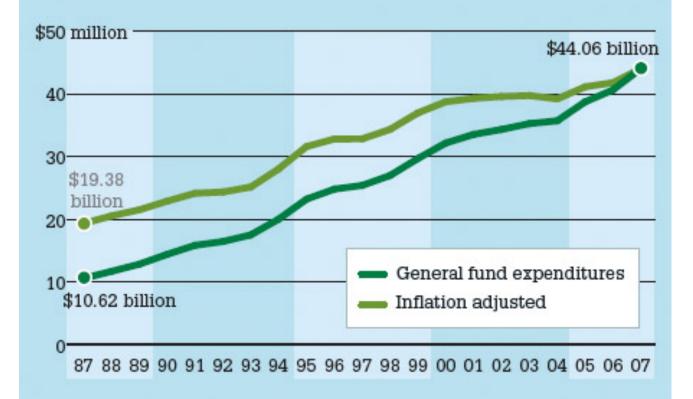
#### Residents in state psychiatric hospitals



The Wall Street Journal

#### TWENTY YEARS OF RISING COSTS

Between fiscal years 1987 and 2007, total state general fund expenditures on corrections rose 315 percent.

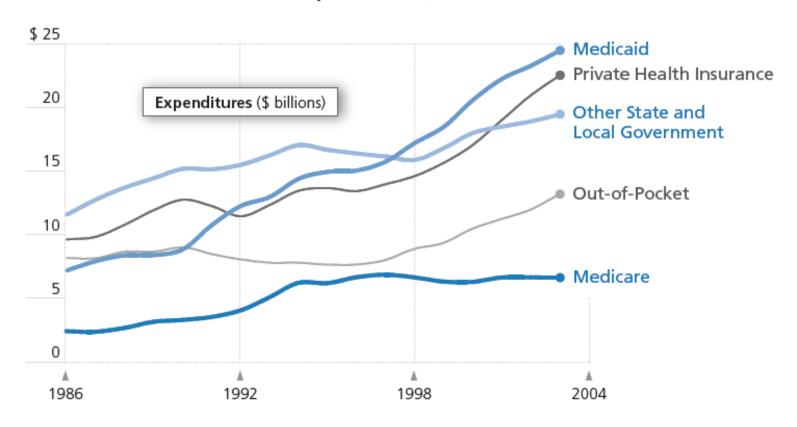


SOURCE: National Association of State Budget Officers, 'State Expenditure Report' series; Inflation adjusted figures are based on a reanalysis of data in this series.

NOTE: These figures represent state general funds. They do not include federal or local government corrections expenditures and typically do not include funding from other state sources.

#### Coordinating services over the next generation

#### National Mental Health Expenditures, in constant 2000 dollars



Source: Shirk, Cynthia, National Health Policy Forum; available at http://www.nhpf.org/library/background-papers/BP66\_MedicaidMentalHealth\_10-23-08.pdf

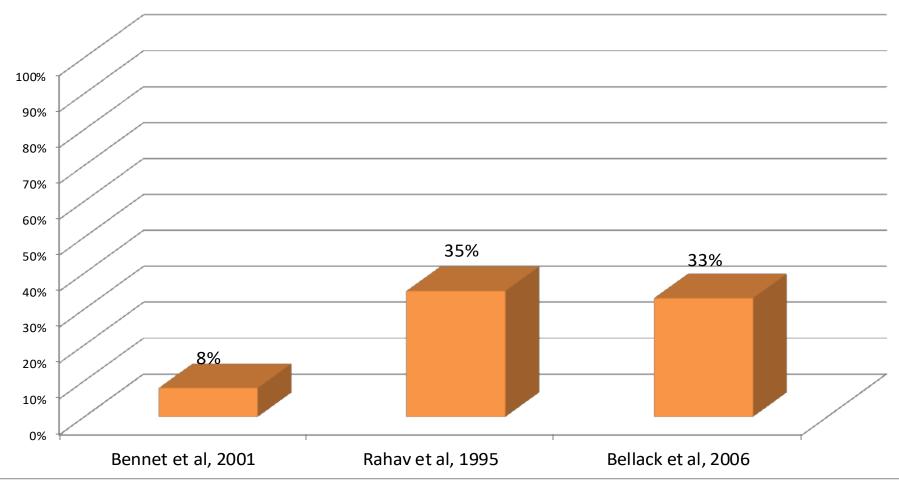
#### Mental Health Court Cost Factors

- Drivers of cost were related to
  - More days in jail prior to enrollment
  - Co-occurring mental health and substance use disorders
- Conclusions seem to suggest a targeted group for enrollment, and interventions that target CODs and criminogenic risks

(Steadman, Callahan, Robbins, et al. Psych Svcs 65:1100-1104, 2014)



#### **Poor Treatment Engagement**



8% referred from residential care to day treatment remained engaged at 6 months

35% of individuals enrolled in outpatient treatment complete the program

33% of individuals randomized to behavioral therapy did not receive any treatment

#### STRATEGIES

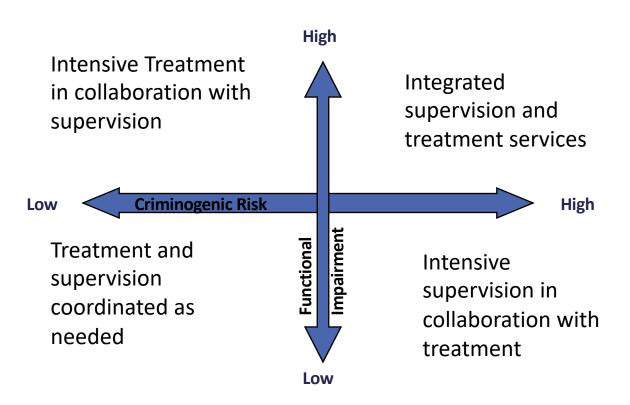
## Creating Cross-System Collaboration

What Works in Substance use Treatment What Works in Mental Health Treatment

> Behavioral Health and Justice Framework

What Works in Recidivism Reduction

## Identifying Strategies to Work with Target Population by Criminogenic Need and Functional Impairment

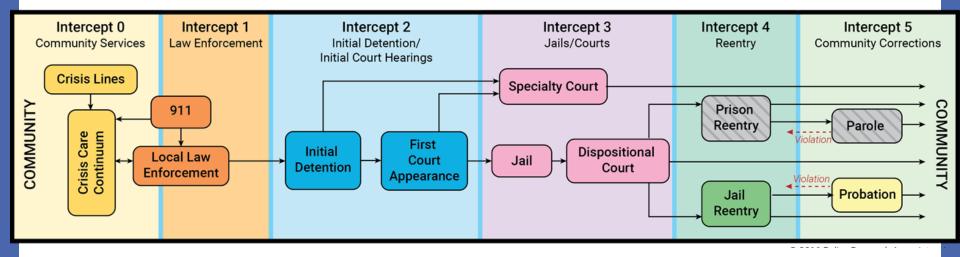


Adapted from Prins and Osher, Council of State Governments Justice Center, 2009

#### **Building Safety Networks**

- Individual
- Family/Friends
- Peer supports
- Community at Large
- Spiritual connections/faith-based partners
- Criminal justice partners

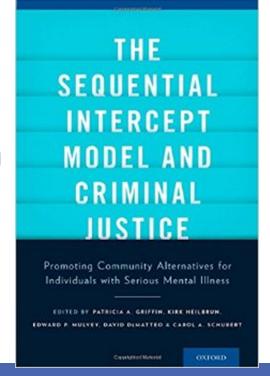
#### Sequential Intercept Model



SAMHSA's National GAINS Center, Delmar, NY 2017; Adapted from Munetz MR, Griffin PA. (2006). Use of the Sequential Intercept Model as an approach to decriminalization of people with serious mental illness. *Psychiatric Services*, 57(4): 544-549.

## The Sequential Intercept Model (Munetz and Griffin 2006)

- Simple premise- criminal justice process take place along a continuum
- Robust policy targets multiple intercept points where an intervention might reduce the penetration of persons with mental illness in the criminal justice system
- Initially focused on mental illness, but now focuses on co-occurring substance use as another challenge











**NEWS & UPDATES** 

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Stepping Up: A
National Initiative to
Reduce the Number
of People with
Mental Illnesses in
Jails

Take Action Now



#### Six questions county leaders need to ask:

- ✓ Question 1: Is your leadership committed?
- ✓ Question 2: Do you have timely screening and assessment?
- ✓ Question 3: Do you have baseline data?
- Question 4: Have you conducted a comprehensive process analysis and service inventory?
- Question 5: Have you prioritized policy, practice, and funding?
- Question 6: Do you track progress?

### BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND JUSTICE PRACTICE REFORMS

#### Examples of Policy Reforms

- Screening at various intercept points
- Reclassifying drug offenses
- Revise sentencing practices
- Improve pre-trial systems
- Enhance parole practices (e.g., medical parole, earned good time)
- Performance incentives for community corrections
- EBPs in community corrections- specialized probation, specialized parole (focus on mental illness)
- Enhance efficiencies

## Improving outcomes of Justice-Involved Individuals with Mental Illness

- Screening and early intervention
- Innovative coverage beyond routine healthcare costs
- Minimized breaks in entitlements
- Integrated and collaborative models of care delivery across healthcare and justice systems
- Cross Trainings

# EVOLVING TRENDS IN TREATMENTS TO ADDRESS THE JUSTICE-INVOLVED POPULATIONS

#### Co-Occurring Substance Use Disorders and Mental Illness: General Lifetime Prevalence Rates

- About 50% of people with an SUD will develop a mental illness
- About 50% of people with a mental illness will develop an SUD
- Rates are not as clear in children, but about as many youth with an SUD will have a mental health condition such as depression and anxiety

https://www.drugabuse.gov/publications/drugfacts/com orbidity-substance-use-disorders-other-mentalillnesses

## Co-Occurring Disorders in Specialty Courts

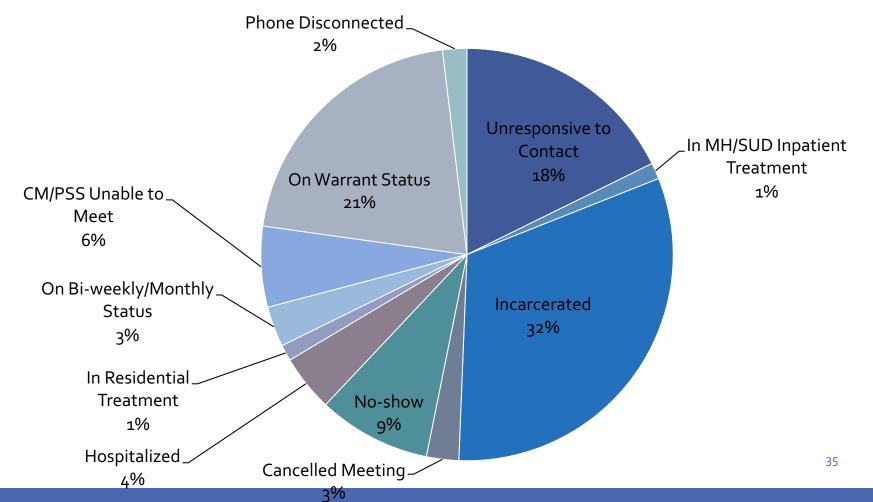
- Drug Courts: 30%–40% have diagnosable mental illnesses in addition to their SUD
- Mental Health Courts: 75%–80% have substance use disorders

(Steadman et al 2013, Blenko, 2001; Almquist & Dodd, 2009)



# Examining Data Such as Reasons for not meeting with client- Leading to Quality Improvement

N = 158





#### FDA-Approved Medications for Substance Abuse Treatment and Tobacco Cessation

Medications for Alcohol Dependence Naltrexone (ReVia®, Vivitrol®, Depade®)
Disulfiram (Antabuse®)
Acamprosate Calcium (Campral®)

Medications for Opioid Dependence Methadone

Buprenorphine (Suboxone®, Subutex®, and Zubsolv®)
Naltrexone (ReVia®, Vivitrol®, Depade®)

Medications for Smoking Cessation Varenicline(Chantix®)
Bupropion (Zyban® and Wellbutrin®)
Nicotine Replacement Therapy (NRT)



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#### **BRSS TACS**

#### Recovery Support Tools and Resources

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Core Competencies for Peer Workers

FAQs: Core Competencies

Shared Decision-Making Tools

Share Your Story

Parents and Families

Youth and Young Adults

#### Peers



Learn about the role of peer workers and access recovery-related resources about peer supports and services.

#### Who Are Peer Workers?



#### Peer Support within Criminal Justice Settings: The Role of Forensic Peer Specialists

Larry Davidson, Ph.D.1, and Michael Rowe, Ph.D.2

The CMHS National GAINS Center

May, 2008

he past decade has witnessed a virtual explosion in the provision of peer support to people with serious mental illness, including those with criminal justice system involvement. Acting on one of the key recommendations of the President's New Freedom Commission on Mental Health, 30 states have developed criteria for the training and deployment of "peer specialists," while at least 13 states have initiated a Medicaid waiver option that provides reimbursement for peer-delivered mental health services.

#### What Is Peer Support?

While people in recovery can provide conventional services, peer support *per se* is made possible by the

in that the experience of having "been there" and having made progress in one's own personal recovery comprises a major part of the support provided.

Forensic peer support involves trained peer specialists with histories of mental illness and criminal justice involvement helping those with similar histories. This type of support requires special attention to the needs of justice-involved people with mental illness, including an understanding of the impact of the culture of incarceration on behavior. Recognition of trauma and posttraumatic stress disorder, prevalent among this population, is critical.

#### What Do Forensic Peer Specialists Do?

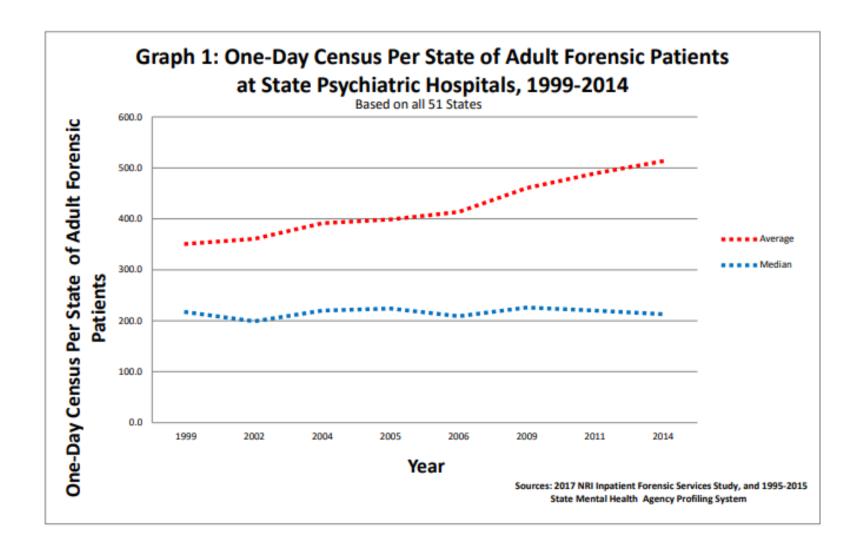
Forensic Peer Specialists assist people through a

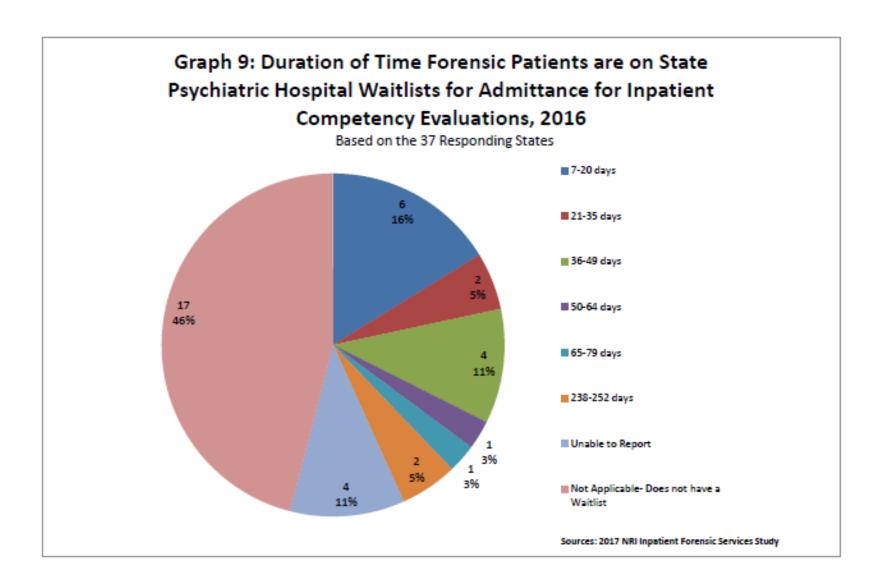
# THE ROLE OF PEERS AT THE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND JUSTICE INTERFACE

# Trauma and wellness as a Key Area of Focus

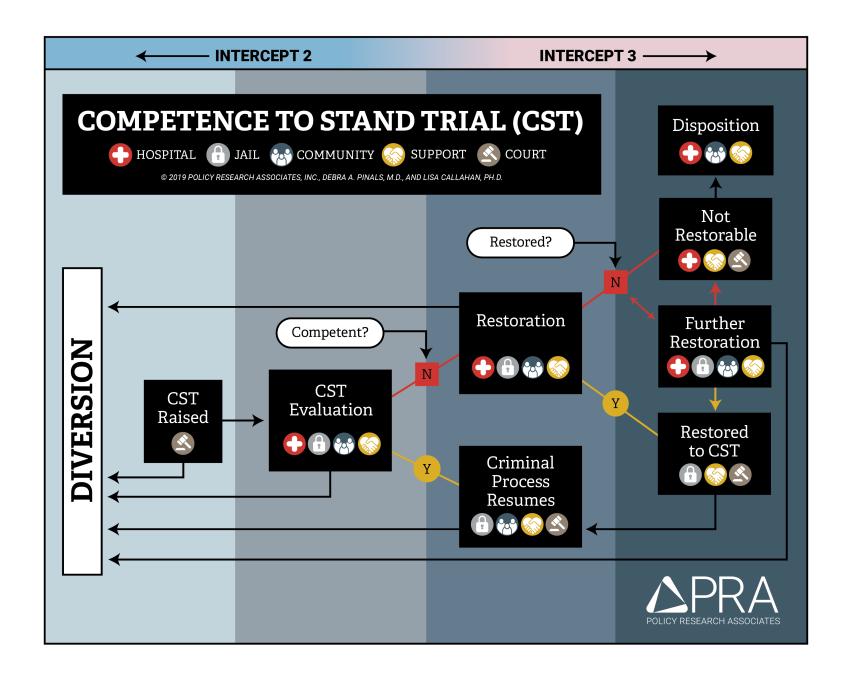
- Understanding trauma of justice-involved individuals
- Understanding trauma-related responses of systems

# EVOLVING TRENDS IN FORENSIC SYSTEM RESPONSES





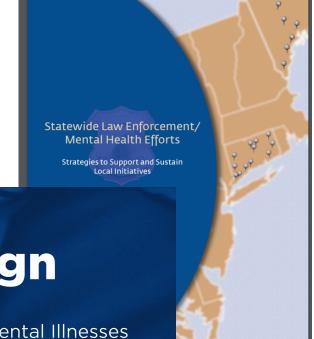
Wik, et al 2017, NASMHPD; Ava at https://www.nasmhpd.org/



# EVOLVING TRENDS IN BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CRISIS RESPONSE

# Strategies to Assist Law Enforcement in their Work with Persons with Mental Illness

- Local
- State
- National



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## One Mind Campaign

Improving Police Response to Persons Affected by Mental Illnesses



# Intercept o Specialized Crisis Responses

- Central drop off
  - Co-location with SUD services
- Police-friendly policies
  - No refusal policy
  - Streamlined intake
- Legal foundation
  - Criminal code
  - Civil code

- Cross-training
  - Ride-along
- Community linkages
  - Case management
  - Care coordination
  - Co-response or warm hand-off

# Intercept 1 Pre-Booking Jail Diversion and Response Types:

- Police-based police response
  - e.g., CIT
- Police-based mental health response
  - e.g., co-response
- Mental health-based mental health response
  - e.g., behavioral health mobile crisis teams



#### **Beyond Beds**

The Vital Role of a Full Continuum of Psychiatric Care



October 2017





#### 2017 Recommendations:

- 1. The vital continuum
- 2. Terminology
- 3. Criminal and juvenile justice diversion
- 4. Emergency treatment practices
- 5. Psychiatric beds
- 6. Data-driven solutions
- 7. Linkages
- 8. Technology
- 9. Workforce
- 10.Partnerships

## Before COVID-19

❖ Release of the National Guidelines for Behavioral Health Crisis Care Best Practice Toolkit by SAMHSA Feb 2020 National Guidelines for Behavioral Health Crisis Care – A Best Practice Toolkit

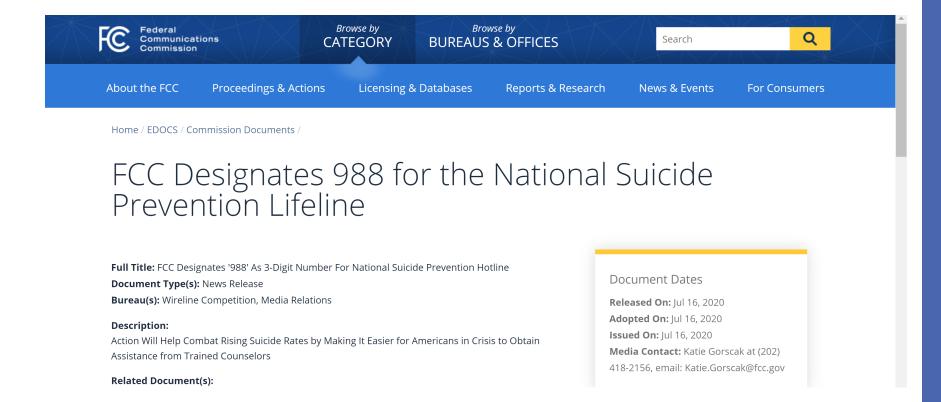
Knowledge Informing Transformation

National Guidelines for Behavioral Health Crisis Care
Best Practice Toolkit



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# Planning for the Future



# NASMHPD Crisis Services Papers

- SAMHSA's Crisis Services Best Practices Toolkit
- Future-
  - 988 or 911
  - Warm lines
  - Mobile crisis
  - Crisis stabilization
  - Crisis residential
  - Living room services
  - Urgent Care
  - Bridge clinics
  - Etc.

# EVOLVING TRENDS IN BALANCING STRATEGIES FOR JUSTICE-INVOLVED POPULATIONS

# **Balancing Approaches**



An APA and SAMHSA Initiative





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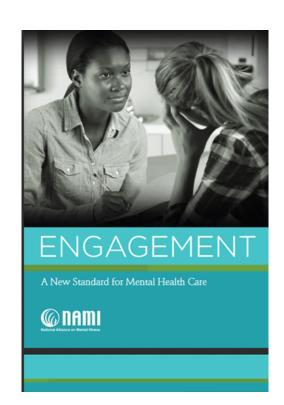


#### **Partnership to Advance Assisted Outpatient Treatment**

SMI Adviser and Treatment Advocacy Center (TAC) are partners in facilitating the national expansion of assisted outpatient treatment

# Building Engagement into All Strategies

- "Many people with mental illness are handcuffed during psychiatric crises, discharged to parking lots, jailed, turned away from services and left to live on the streets.
   Many never experience what should be the most basic standard of care in the mental health system: a healing connection with a mental health professional, dignity, respect and a sense of hope."
  - -NAMI's "Engagement: A New Standard for Mental Health Care", July 2016



# Need to Include Evidence Based Practices and Engagement Strategies

- •An emerging field....
- Psychopharmacology
- •Substance use treatments (SBIRT, MAT, etc)
- •Supportive services with focused models (e.g., Critical Time Intervention, MISSION-CJ)
- •Cognitive behavioral type practices and other therapies
  - Treatments that address criminal thinking patterns
  - Treatments that address behavioral challenges
  - Treatments that address chronic psychoses
- •Trauma specific practices
- Motivational Interviewing
- Psychiatric Advance Directives

### Conclusions

- Evolving strategies at the behavioral health and justice interface
- Partnerships matter
  - Case level
  - Local level
  - State system level
- Understanding communities
- ...Continuous network development and problem-solving feedback loops

