

## II. Introductions and Welcome • Susie Walton, Park County Department of Human Services

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## III. Presentation on the Behavioral Health Needs Analysis • Dr. Patrick Fox, Colorado Department of Human Services

Dr. Patrick Fox presented a Power Point slide show on the Behavioral Health Needs Analysis. This full study is available on the CDHS home page.

Power point presentation e-mailed out to Task Force Members.

## IV. Oversight Committee Update • Susie Walton, Park County Department of Human Services

The Oversight Committee met for the first time August 17, 2015. There was a new appointment. The Chair of the Oversight Committee is Senator Martinez-Humenik and the co-chair is Representative Singer. Other members include Representative Pete Lee, Representative Humphrey from the house and Senator Woods and, Senator Newell. Senator Newell will be replacing Senator Guzman. With this exception, the previous list of membership this group is correct.

Oversight Committee members had a lot of questions and there was a big list of data requests. Overall the committee was very engaged in taking some action this legislative session. The committee wanted to hear what this task force has done and what it is doing and what future initiatives are.

Some specific items that wanted information on were:

- Recidivism

- Percentage of people that are receiving disability benefits
- Percentage of people that are veterans
- Outcome for kids that are receiving early childhood services and the outcomes
- Restoration Services
- Critical Incidents that occur in facilities, jails and correctional settings; particularly around suicides
- Suicide rates
- Gaps in the data; what does the task force need to approach

The Oversight Committee also shared some information regarding a pilot program in Longmont where mental health professionals do “ride alongs” with the police department. There was an interest to explore that further.

The Oversight Committee was very supportive of a retreat for the task force and set a date of Friday, September 25. This early date was chosen due to legislative deadlines that are coming up. The suggestion was that it be held at Ft Lyons. After some discussion the task force agreed this was not a viable option as it is too far away to ensure we meet deadlines.

Next two Oversight Committee meeting dates will be September 21 at 1:00 p.m. in Senate Committee room 356 (legislative requests will be made at this meeting) and October 29 at 1:00 p.m. in house committee room 112 (final approval for bill draft requests will be made at this meeting). They can refer up to 5 bill draft requests at this meeting. Those bills will then go to the legislative council committee sometime in November.

There was one change in the legislative process this year. Any bills that come out of interim committees will need to have a fiscal note attached to them before the final approval meeting (the meeting scheduled for October 29).

There was also some interest in exploring the juvenile competency legislation as is and potentially adding a restoration piece. The oversight committee would like to explore this piece of legislation more. Susie asked for an ad hoc group to be formed and invited those in attendance to volunteer to be a part of this group.

Volunteers:

Tariq Sheikh with Adams County District Attorney's Office

Michael Ramirez, Ashley Tunstall, Karen Knickerbocker

It was also suggested that Dr. Patrick Fox be a part of this group.

Karen asked that we reach out to Tom Raines and Dave Young in regards to this matter.

Karen also voiced that there is a concern for the fiscal note that will come from the restoration piece of this legislation. There is a fear that funding for restoration services may cause this to

fail.

Juvenile statute says least restrictive setting so the current system for adults does not apply to juveniles. Dr Martinez to contact Dr. Vickie Bulling for information for data about juvenile competency assessments as well as Court Services. Richard volunteered to speak with Laurie Carter at Court Services for data.

Harriet suggested that perhaps we should look at what resources would be needed to adequately study the restorative services piece/juvenile competency and have that be what is addressed in legislation; to bring the appropriate departments and resources together with some financial resources to support that rather than to do restoration services.

Karen sent Sheri with the Office of the Child Representative an email inviting her to participate again (she is currently out of the office)

Fact sheets for legislature piece are due September 21.

After further discussion it was decided that this ad hoc group will meet Friday August 28 at 1:00p.m- 4:00 p.m. at Ft. Logan. They will determine the frequency of the meetings moving forward as well as what can be addressed through email.

#### V. Housing Update

There is not much to update.

Adam Tucker provided an update to the Oversight Committee which he shared with the task force. HCPF is continuing to look at what guidance CMS has given in regards to using wraparound services to help people remain stable in permanent supportive housing. They are also looking at recidivism rates of people who have gone into the Housing First models.

Are there specific areas in legislation that would be helpful in that area?

Nothing has been identified at this time. Right now they are trying to get an understanding of how Medicaid and housing should interact.

Is there a specific task force or organization that is studying this or is it largely HCPF doing this?

Right now it is HCPF looking at where it fits in with the work that they are doing.

Gina asked if there was a specific lead person she could contact to brainstorm some ideas with to see if there areas for legislation.

Adam suggested she contact himself or Sophie Thomas with HCPF.

VI. Data and Information Sharing Update • Camille Harding, Health Care Policy and Financing • Peggy Heil, Colorado Division of Criminal Justice

Camille shared the subcommittee that is working on data and info sharing met two weeks ago and will be meeting again on Monday firming up questions for the focus groups that are going to be conducted. There were some questions identified by the Legislative Oversight Committee that will need to be included. This focus group is anticipated to occur next month. Camille agreed to send these questions out to members of the Task Force if they are interested.

Peggy shared that they are working with the Sheriffs' Association to get contact information for health providers. The jails are more complicated than the state agencies.

Does the medication compliance/consistency fall within that?

It does not but there were several questions about medication consistency that came up from the Oversight Committee. They requested a copy of the formulary and asked if there were any intersections with the health exchange and if there is some way to standardize the formulary and what next steps there are.

VII. Health Care Policy and Financing and Medicaid Updates • Camille Harding, Health Care Policy and Financing

No additional update to provide

VIII. Behavioral Health Transformation Council Update • Dr. Richard Martinez

No Update to provide

IX. Other Business • Strategic Planning—Ad Hoc Committee

September 25 Confirmed for retreat. Location and further details will be sent to task force members.

X. What's Happening at Your Agency?

No Update to provide

XI. Adjourn