

Agenda
**Task Force Concerning the Treatment of Persons with Mental
Health Disorders in the Criminal Justice System**
Thursday, November 16, 2017
Legislative Services Building
200 East 14th Avenue, Denver, CO
80203, Room LSB-B
10 a.m.-12:30 pm

Call to Order

- Camille Harding, Division Director, Community Behavioral Health
- Called to order at 10:07am

Introductions and Welcome

- Camille Harding, Division Director, Community Behavioral Health
- Susan Walton, Park Department of Human Services

Approve minutes from October 19, 2017 meeting

- Susan Walton, Park County Department of Human Services
- No corrections or changes to the minutes, Cynthia moved to approve Alison George seconded, and minutes approved

Discussion of legislative report

- Vanessa Reilly and Camille Harding
 - Legislative council approved 3 bills to move forward:
 - A, B & D, Competency Bill, Reenactment of SB-21, Treatment incentives
 - They did not approve the rental application bill-Can be introduced by an individual senator but will count against that legislator's 5 bill limit
- According to Colorado Revised statute section 18-1.9-104 sub 3e The task force needs to submit a report annually and it has not been submitted to the legislature since 2004
Report needs to specify:
 - Issues to be studied in upcoming task force meetings and a prioritization of those issues
 - Findings and recommendations regarding issues of prior consideration by the task force and
 - Legislative proposals of the task force that identify the policy issues involved, the agencies responsible for the implantation of the changes, and the funding sources required for implementation.
- Should the white papers be included as part of the report, but the report itself should be bullet points of the issues worked on.
- **ACTION:** Stacy (and OBH) will send out a template (with what bullets are needed) and have subcommittee chairs answer with any attachments that need to be included.

Review Task Force process for other bills and legislation

- The oversight made a few recommendations:
 - How do we vet bills when our TF does not have the expertise (process how to navigate reaching out to experts)
 - How do we weigh in on bills that are drafted/introduced by the oversight committee in the course of their meetings
 - We have a procedure, communicate that to the oversight committee, and requiring if they want our recommendations on it we need it x number of days before they want the recommendations back.
 - Include this feedback and what our process is in the legislative report.
 - Possibly include each individual voters reasoning in the minutes to communicate clearly to the task force the reasoning for support/opposition of bills or break it into individual motions on each bill in order to have a very succinct record for the oversight committee.
 - Also each member should vet minutes to ensure we have included all points desired by the task force.
 - **Oversight committee did recommend that the task force members SHOULD attend oversight committee meetings to help communicate and clarify recommendations while the oversight committee is meeting**
 - Clarifying again whether the committee only puts forth legislation that we have vetted and what our purpose/role is if not.
 - ***Cristen and Stacy will work on a briefing sheet outlines what we are working on. Reach out to Peggy Heil wanting to creating a briefing sheet on purpose of committee can you send us a draft.***

Overview of Senate Bill 19 - Review draft rules

- Ryan Templeton- OBH
 - Involuntary Transportation Hold, SB 207
 - Handed out the draft rules
- Possible next step proposed to possibly allow an affirmative defense of needing the M1 hold if charges are filed by first responders
- Medication consistency rule SB-19

Legislative Updates:

- Discussion of November 1st Oversight Committee Actions
- Potential support of bills not introduced

Opioid Committee bills update-Cristen Bates:

-Overview of 6 bills that came out of the OUD Comm

- Prevention
 - Continuing the interim study committee and what data they should be reviewing
 - School based health center, grant for the expansion of service. Identifying at risk kids

- 500,000 MCTF for HCPF screening and referral to treatment, training health care individuals
- Center for Research
- clinical practice
 - Limiting the number of opioid prescriptions that get into the community
 - Limit it to 7 day prescriptions for 1st time opioid patients
 - With several exemptions
 - Requirement for the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (database to ensure there are not multiple prescriptions from several providers).
- harm reduction
 - Safe injection facility (California, Washington in process of opening some now, one functioning in New York at a clean needle exchange), specific to Denver.
 - Once someone has procured their drugs can inject in a safe, clinical environment. At these clinics there has never been an overdose death.
 - Would supply clean needles, overdose reversal medication
 - Require education and referral to treatment
 - Gives the city of Denver the ability to apply to open such a facility
 - If it is approved, contracted out to a non-profit and it would exempt anyone who works at the center from prosecution for their work
 - Expanding opportunities for needle exchange sites.
 - School districts can carry naloxone.
- workforce development
 - Add addiction specialists of various types to the Colorado health service corps program
 - Loan repayment and opportunities to expand training
 - Gina: We should support these types of bills and we should also look at how to expand these services for co-occurring disorders
 - HCPF will determine what the high-need areas are so that's another opportunity to provide feedback.

Inpatient and residential treatment for SUD

- Payment reform
 - Removing barriers to treatment and find other pain treatments besides opiates
 - Medicaid and any other insurance:
 - Requires all plans to provide coverage for 5 days of (treatment drugs)
 - PT, chiropractic...parity
 - Prohibits requiring step therapy...you can choose your alternative to opiate therapy without first using opiates
 - Naltrexone administration...and get reimbursed for it.
- **Gina: Task force consider supporting these bills because so many of our constituents have co-occurring disorders, maybe discuss and vote at the December meeting**

Membership Updates

Susie Walton

- 1 opening for a practicing health professional
 - 2 Nominations for the position
 - Brian Gannon, deputy director of adult services at Aurora Health Center Recommended by Frank Cornelia
 - Hassan Latif-Executive Director of second chance center, authored 7 steps of saying out of prison
 - Gina's recommendation
 - Brings diversity in experience as well, specialized in addiction and are beginning co-occurring, residential treatment, DOC and housing, not just a mental health institute.
 - Alison has worked with him in the housing arena and is actively involved in the re-entry work.
 - Will vote by email and will send out resume's accordingly
 - HCPF is moving Ben Harris' name forward to fill the vacancy from that state agency

What to do about bills that the oversight committee did not move forward

- Next month list the bills to re-review and discuss which we want to move forward and decide which if any we want to propose to individual legislators
- Agency updates or new business:
Susan white's last meeting. She is resigning to be replaced by someone who has more expertise for the task force
- Meeting adjourned at 12:19pm

Announcements

No Competency Subcommittee meeting November 17, 2017

Next Task Force Meeting: December 21, 2017