

STEPPING UP INITIATIVE
Minutes of the Stakeholder Meeting
Monday, November 14, 2016, 11:30am
Sheriff's Main Station, Goleta

KEY POINTS

Stakeholders Present:

- Ms. Angela Braun, Superior Court of California
- Sheriff Bill Brown
- Mr. Ken Clayman, Public Defender's Office
- DA Joyce Dudley
- Dr. Diane Fox, CLUE
- Dr. Alice Gleghorn, Behavior and Wellness
- Fr. Jon Hedges, Behavior and Wellness
- Mr. George Kaufmann, NAMI
- Ms. Tracy Macuga, Public Defender
- CEO Mona Miyasato
- Lt. Rob Plastino, Sheriff's Office
- Mr. James Robertson, CLUE/ACLU
- Chief DDA Kelly Scott, District Attorney's Office
- Chief Custody Deputy Vincent Wasilewski, Sheriff's Office
- Dr. Denise Williams

Meeting begins with an overview video:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ztGbzB2xC0A>

Sheriff Brown discussed the concept of Stepping up and went through the slides in this PDF:

<http://www.google.com/url?sa=t&rct=j&q=&esrc=s&source=web&cd=6&cad=rja&uact=http://www.google.com/url?sa=t&rct=j&q=&esrc=s&source=web&cd=9&cad=rja&uact=8&ved=0ahUKEwiIbH97KvQAhXKMSYKHZIVD7sQFghHMAg&url=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.cdcr.ca.gov%2FCOMIO%2FUploadfile%2Fpdfs%2F2016%2FMay19%2FHal%2Fhal%2520Fader-Towe%2520Powerpoint%2520Presentation.pdf&usq=AFQjCNFfxL1Vn4hRy06iIU7cbNurfqAVtQ>

After going through the slides, we went through these six questions:

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

NOTES

- Q#2: We need to identify our shortcomings
 - Do we need to change the questions we ask our incoming inmates, to better determine where they need to go and what services they need?
 - How do we best gather needed data if Deputies, in the field, opt to send a potential inmate to treatment instead of jail?
 - In-field mobile teams from mental health could be used to help triage and assist Deputies.
- Q#3: We have many databases, but few connections between them. We need to bridge this obstacle and find ways to share information.
- Q#4: No, we haven't. This is an important step and this needs to be part of the process.
- Q#5: Needs to be coordinated between policy makers and providers.
- Q#6: Yes, most of us do, to some extent. However, systems are isolated and not cross-tracking between themselves. Example: Jail doesn't share tracking data with Behavior and Wellness.
 - CEO's office might be a good central hub for overall progress
 - Courts do not receive tracking info from Behavior and Wellness or other entities. This could be due to HIPAA compliance rules, or an errant belief that HIPAA prevents the sharing of this progress data.

CLOSING

We discussed the Resolution for the Board of Supervisors, a copy of which will be emailed to participants.

We also discussed putting together Working Groups to really get into Q#2 – Q#5. Working Groups should sketch out the steps we use in processing our mentally ill, examine the current process, and what direction we should work toward.

Our next meeting will be held in early January, 2017, prior to the Summit.

STEPPING UP SUMMIT

Held January 18-19, 2017, in Sacramento.

County teams are strongly encouraged to include at least one appointed, elected, or other high ranking official representing each the following four interests: sheriffs and jail commanders; behavioral health agencies; probation agencies; and county supervisors or administrative officers.

Additional team members can include other people from these agencies or people representing the judiciary, local police departments, criminal justice coordinators, jail mental health directors, psychiatrists, district attorneys, or public defenders.