



Building bridges to prevent incarceration

Diversions and Reentry Workgroup

June 18, 2021

Brenda Grealish
Executive Officer, CCJBH
Office of the Secretary, Kathleen Allison, Secretary
California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR)



Quick Notes:

**** Workgroup is being recorded ****

- Use the “raise hand” feature to make a comment
- *You will be placed in line to comment in the order in which requests are received by the host.*
- **When it is your turn to comment, the meeting host will unmute your line and announce your name.**
- *Members of the public should be prepared to complete their comments within 3 minutes or less if a different time allotment is needed and announced by the Executive Officer.*

Email:

CCJBH@cdcr.ca.gov



California Department of State Hospitals

Darci Delgado, Psy.D., Senior Psychologist, Department of State Hospitals

Ashley Breth, Staff Services Manager II (Specialist), Department of State Hospitals





Department of State Hospitals Pre-Trial Felony Mental Health Diversion Program and Virtual Hospital Overview

June 18, 2021

Pre-Trial Felony Mental Health Diversion



Current Status

- Year 3 of 5-year demonstration period (original program)
- 24 counties participating
 - 13 of the original 15 counties identified for program participating
 - 11 additional counties participating after two RFP releases
- 80+ hours of training and technical assistance for counties
- Program evaluation underway



Participating Counties

Alameda	Los Angeles	San Diego	Santa Cruz
Contra Costa	Marin	San Francisco	Siskiyou
Del Norte	Placer	San Luis Obispo	Solano
Fresno	Riverside	San Mateo	Sonoma
Humboldt	Sacramento	Santa Barbara	Ventura
Kern	San Bernardino	Santa Clara	Yolo

All county contracts with DSH executed as of May 2021

20 out of 24 county programs activated as of May 2021



Data and Outcomes Reporting

- Demographic information on diverted individuals
- Criminal justice information
- Diversion eligibility evaluation
- Diversion services received
- Outcome of diversion



Counties Reporting Data Q2 FY 2020-21

- Del Norte
- Humboldt
- Kern
- Los Angeles
- San Bernardino
- San Diego
- San Francisco
- San Luis Obispo
- Santa Barbara
- Santa Clara
- Santa Cruz
- Sonoma



Participant Demographics

N = 291, 276 Eligible as of Q2 of FY 2019-20

Gender	Frequency (N)	Percentage
Male	174	63.0
Female	102	37.0

Ethnicity	Frequency (N)	Percentage
Black	104	37.7
Hispanic	82	29.7
White	68	24.6
Other	22	8.0



Participant Demographics (cont.)

Diagnosis	Frequency (N)	Percentage
Schizophrenia	119	43.1
Schizoaffective Disorder	90	32.6
Bipolar Disorder	67	24.3

Participant Demographics (cont.)

Felony Offense	Frequency (N)	Percentage
Assault	69	25.0
Theft	45	16.3
Robbery	42	15.2
Criminal Threats	24	8.3
Arson	21	8.7
Miscellaneous	19	7.6
Battery	17	6.2
Kidnapping	11	4.0

Felony Offense	Frequency (N)	Percentage
FTR	7	2.5
Weapons	6	2.2
Resisting Arrest	4	1.4
Homicide	3	1.1
Major Driving	3	1.1
Drugs	2	0.7
Other	3	1.1



Impacts of COVID-19

- Program Activation Delays
 - Majority of programs activated between July 2020 and April 2021
- Court Closures
- Jail Releases
- Treatment Options



Successes and Challenges

Successes

- Technical assistance support provided
- First graduations in early programs
- All activated programs except one have admitted clients
- Stakeholder partnerships

Challenges

- Housing availability in some counties
- Co-occurring SUDs
- Medication in jails
- Treatment dosage
- Referral processes



Future Forward

- Request for Program Expansion beginning July 2021
 - Current county programs
 - Guaranteed funding for up to 20% contract increase
 - Must divert defendants found IST
 - Any diagnosis allowable per PC 1001.36 accepted for expansion
 - No additional county funding match required
 - New county programs
 - Guaranteed funding for all other counties with IST referrals in past three years
 - Original program rules apply
 - Additional funding to continue TA efforts and to support increased data collection



DSH - Virtual Hospital Overview

- Background and inception
- Procedure
- Statistics
- FY 2021-22 Budget Proposal Overview



Open Discussion

Q&A with Councilmember Advisors

***** PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEM II *****



Diversion/Reentry Recommendations

*Brenda Grealish, Executive Officer
Council on Criminal Justice and Behavioral Health*



Open Discussion

Q&A with Councilmember Advisors

***** PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEM III *****



Update: Report to the Governor's Office on the SB 369 Veto Message

*Brenda Grealish, Executive Officer
Council on Criminal Justice and Behavioral Health*



Announcements

NEXT JUVENILE JUSTICE WORKGROUP MEETING

Friday, JUNE 25, 2021 1:00-3:00PM

NEXT CCJBH FULL COUNCIL MEETING

Friday, July 30, 2021 2:00-4:30PM

NEXT DIVERSION/REENTRY WORKGROUP MEETING

Friday, September 17, 2021 1:00-3:00PM

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION!

