

Attendees:

Sam Troxler, Olycap; Micah Knox, OPHS; Michael McCutcheon, OPHS; Natalie Gray, DBH; Police Chief Mike Evans; Jud Haynes, PTPD; Robin Runyan, JHC; Dunia Faulx, JHC; Shannon Kelly, JHC; Anna McEnery, JCPH; Vicki Kirkpatrick, JCPH; Denise Banker, JCPH; Lori Fleming, CHIP; Sheriff Joe Nole; Lisa Rey Thomas, OCH; Chief Jim Walkowski, EJFR; Brian Richardson, Dove House; Ann Dean, Juvenile & Family Court.

Notes:

Lori Fleming said that CHIP is happy to be a table where this group comes together, and that the goal of the meeting was to create a collective resource map that EJFR and other first responders who need to connect people with services have an overview of where they can call, at what time, for what service.

- Chief Jim Walkowski, EJFR, presented a **common scenario** that first responders are presented with: in this instance, a young male, 23/26 years old, was lying on the sidewalk calling 911 in the early hours of Saturday/Sunday morning, saying he was going to die. EJFR took him to the hospital, who told him he was a nuisance and discharged him back on to the street, citing that he had no physical or mental problems. The young man continued to call 911, and EJFR responded again. There was a lot of conversation between law enforcement, EJFR and the ER in the middle of the street in the middle of the night, and when EJFR brought him back to the ER, he caused problems and was told to leave, which he refused. He was then arrested and taken to jail. He ended up in a place he probably didn't need to be, but there were no other options—he would continue calling 911 until something happened. Leaving him on the street where he could hurt himself was not much of an option, either. First responders need access to services for these clients 24/7 to get them moving in the right direction, to where they need to go for help.
- This scenario highlights **two needs**: One where the emergency responder could consult with somebody about what to do. The second could be that person consulting with the client and developing a next step for them.
- Attendees completed a **Services Sheet** covering their name, organization, role/function (navigator, social worker, other), top three areas they could be called upon to consult in either of the two scenarios above, contact information and days and times available. Once the sheets were completed, attendees went around the room introducing themselves and outlining the information on their sheets (see resource sheets).
- The issue of **texting** came up: Micah asked if it was a possibility—and Natalie(?) suggested that, if you text, you open your personal phone up to public records.
- Lori asked if there were **people missing** who should be at the meeting. Names that came up were:
 - Carley Anderson, OPHS navigator who works primarily out of the jail. Micah took a copy of the form for her to complete, and will invite her to future meetings.

- Shaun Guerin at CPS (Children, youth & Families). Dunia took a copy of the form for her to complete, and will invite her to future meetings.
- Mary Fortman, Emergency/MH services, JHC. Lori will reach out to her.
- Someone from the schools: District homeless liaison officer and possible Student Assistance Professionals.
- Gabbie Candill, Believe in Recovery.
- Dana Milgrosa, DBH.

If attendees know of others, please contact Lori Fleming.

- Lori pointed out that there is not a lot of [access](#) after 5pm on the sheets. Others pointed out that most crises happen outside the 8-5 M-F timelines.
- Denise Banker(?) suggested that her group could fund [motivational interviewing capacity training](#) for interested people in the community, to help them help clients to reveal what it is s/he needs. Others commented that, even with the training, where could these interviews happen? In the street? A conference room at the jail? Libraries? Jim Walkowski said that there is space in the six EJFR facilities that are accessible. Sheriff Nole suggested that, a lot of times, conversations are going to happen on the street, and that they cannot take somebody someplace else against their will.
- Jud Haynes outlined a situation where he used [creative techniques](#) to gain access to a young person, whose mother had a history of mental health issues and who had not been seen in a few days—in this case, through contacting an older brother through an online gaming chat room platform.
- Anna McEnery presented on the background and role of the [Mental Health Field Response Team](#). How they came together to apply for a grant they ultimately deemed inappropriate; how Chief Evans got funding from 1/10th of 1% for a part-time navigator; how Vicki Kirkpatrick and Anna think it would be good to resurrect this team and work with CHIP to look at some of the newer services that are supporting people with mental health and substance use disorders; and use the team to do some networking. The next meeting of the group is Thursday, July 25th from 1:30 to 3:00 pm, and all are welcome.
- Lori suggested carrying out a two-hour [SWOT analysis](#) with the group in September/October, and will organize that.