



EVIDENCE-BASED DECISION MAKING COMMITTEE

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2021 — 12:00 P.M.

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Topic: EBDM Policy Team Meeting

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Agenda

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of the Agenda
3. Approval of the Minutes of May 13, 2021

4. Discussion and Possible Action on EBDM Change Targets:
 - A. Behavioral Health Information Sharing
 - B. Pretrial & Risk Assessment
 - C. Risk Reduction Interventions (Diversion & Enhanced Deferred Prosecution)
 - i. Update on Diversion Program
 - ii. EDPP TAD Grant
 - iii. EDPP Policies and Procedures
 - D. Stakeholder Outreach and Education
5. Discussion regarding EBDM Budget in 2022
6. Update on State EBDM
7. Citizen Participation and Announcements
8. Future Meeting Date: Thursday, November 11, 2021, Location TBD
9. Adjournment

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Rock County
Evidence-Based Decision Making Committee
Thursday, May 13, 2021
Meeting held via Zoom

- 1) **Call to Order.** Chair Smith called the meeting to order via Zoom at 12:01 p.m.
- 2) **Committee Members Present.** Stephen Meyer, Judge Michael Haakenson, Faun Moses, Judge Karl Hanson, Josh Smith, Judge Alan Bates, Commander Erik Chellevold, Kate Luster, Joshua Grube. Troy Enger, Jacki Gackstatter, and David O’Leary.
- 3) **Committee Members Absent.** Chief David Moore, Lori Luther, Dorothy Harrell, Supervisor Rick Richard, Sherrick Anderson and Sheriff Troy Knudson.
- 4) **Staff Members Present.** Elizabeth Pohlman McQuillen, Justice System Manager; Dr. Kendra Schiffman, HSD Analyst; Gina Koehl, Deferred Prosecution Director.
- 5) **Others Present.** Michael Gutjahr and Patrick Roberts; JusticePoint; Kelly Mattingly, State Public Defender’s Office; Jonah Beleckis, Janesville Gazette.
- 6) **Approval of Agenda.** Judge Bates moved approval of the agenda, second by Judge Hanson. ADOPTED.
- 7) **Approval of Minutes of March 11, 2021.** Commander Chellevold moved the approval of the minutes of March 11, 2021 as presented, second by Ms. Luster. ADOPTED.

Chair Smith introduced Patrick Roberts with JusticePoint.

8) **Discussion and Possible Action on EBDM Change Targets.**

Behavioral Health Information Sharing – Ms. Luster said they met yesterday. They finalized decisions on how to manage the CSIS (Crisis Strategy Information Sheet) in Spillman. They updated the fact sheet and workflow and slightly modified the MOU. The decision was the CSIS will remain in Spillman until the client requests removal at which time Rock County IT will remove the CSIS. The updated MOU will go through contract review and then obtain updated signatures. Ms. Pohlman McQuillen will send emails to Law Enforcement partners with the information.

Risk Assessment/Pretrial – They met yesterday. Mr. Gutjahr shared current pretrial supervision data with the committee. They have 152 active participants through 5/10/21,

capacity is 165. Average time in the program is approximately 200 days. The pandemic has extended the time in the program. 583 PSA's have been conducted. 12% would have been affected by the NCIC search. Mr. Gutjahr said they will begin sending a monthly active client list to the Public Defender's Office. Since it's been almost a year, Judge Hanson said they are looking at re-evaluating the criteria. They talked about the need for ongoing training for stakeholders. Ms. Pohlman McQuillen said the state pretrial workgroup is working with the Wisconsin Counties Association to put together short educational videos. This got put on hold during the pandemic. There have been several retirements in the District Attorney's Office. Mr. O'Leary will speak with his staff on how they would like to proceed with training.

Risk Reduction Interventions- Ms. Koehl said they met yesterday. She shared data that has been collected through 4/30/21: 164 individuals assessed, 129 eligible, 115 completed, 85 represented. Ms. Moses asked for data on case type for represented individuals.

They are working on policies and procedures for the new Enhanced Deferred Prosecution Program. They reviewed the Wisconsin State Diversion standards and we are adhering to the standards. Ms. Koehl said the workgroup needs two questions answered. 1) Is our Enhanced Deferred Prosecution Program going to be a pre-plea or post-plea program? 2) What is the disposition or outcome for individuals that successfully complete the program? Ms. Koehl said she spoke with Mr. O'Leary and he prefers the program to be post-plea. He believes part of taking responsibility is entering a plea. Our previous program operated pre-plea but focused on low risk individuals. The new program would be more focused on moderate risk individuals. They looked at several other counties which all operate post-plea with a hold open agreement. Mr. O'Leary would like to see a dismissal upon successful completion. Ms. Koehl said they are looking to start a small pilot program of about ten people who are not on probation. Thinking 4 Change training was shut down during the pandemic, so they plan to use the resources they have available during the pilot program. Mr. Enger would like to see the program open to individuals on probation. The committee discussed the benefits to pre-plea and post-plea. It was decided that the decision of running the program either pre-plea or post-plea will be sent back to the workgroup to discuss further.

Stakeholder Outreach and Education- They have not met.

- 9) **Update on State EBDM.** Ms. Pohlman McQuillen said the state pretrial workgroup has been working on a webinar through the Office of State Courts aimed at the judiciary. Additionally, there are two webinars to wrap up the technical assistance through EBDM on pretrial through CEPP. She emailed the committee about webinars that are available for the committee.

- 10) **Citizen Participation and Announcements.** Mr. Enger said Probation and Parole staff are returning to their physical offices on July 6th along with face-to-face meetings.
- 11) **Future Meeting Date:** Thursday, July 8, 2021, at noon, location TBD. Chair Smith asked the committee if this date would work for the group because of its proximity to the holiday. Chair Smith said he would not be available on the 8th. Judge Bates, Vice Chair, said he would be available on the 8th to run the meeting. Ms. Pohlman McQuillen will send out an email to the committee to confirm the date.
- 12) **Adjournment.** Mr. Meyer moved to adjourn at 1:20 P.M., second by Mr. O’Leary.
ADOPTED.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tracey VanZandt
Secretary

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Rock County
Evidence-Based Decision Making Committee Notes
Thursday, July 8, 2021
Meeting held via Zoom

- 1) **Call to Order.** There was no quorum.
- 2) **Committee Members Present.** Stephen Meyer, Judge Michael Haakenson, Faun Moses, Josh Smith, Judge Alan Bates, Commander Erik Chellevoid, Kate Luster, Troy Enger and Chief David Moore.
- 3) **Committee Members Absent.** Jacki Gackstatter, David O’Leary, Judge Karl Hanson, Joshua Grube, Lori Luther, Dorothy Harrell, Supervisor Rick Richard, Sherrick Anderson and Sheriff Troy Knudson.
- 4) **Staff Members Present.** Elizabeth Pohlman McQuillen, Justice System Manager; Dr. Kendra Schiffman, HSD Analyst; Gina Koehl, Deferred Prosecution Director; Sara Herzig, Public Safety Systems Coordinator.
- 5) **Others Present.** Michael Gutjahr, Niki Leicht, and Patrick Roberts, JusticePoint.
- 6) **Discussion and Possible Action on EBDM Change Targets.**

Behavioral Health Information Sharing – Ms. Luster said they met yesterday. They have finished revising the Memorandum of Understanding. It will now go to stakeholders for signatures. They will be presenting at the next Chiefs meeting. They will be looking at ways to track increased diversion and involuntary hospital admissions.

Risk Assessment/Pretrial – Mr. Meyer spoke about how sanctions are working now. There are currently at 167 active participants; capacity is 165. Ms. Pohlman McQuillen has been in contact with the Department of Justice as the grant is underspent therefore, we are asking for an additional case manager for 2021. Money would have to be set aside in the 2022 Rock County budget to fund the additional case manager. If we add an additional case manager, capacity could be bumped to 230 clients. Now that court is being held, some clients may start dropping off. Mr. Gutjahr expects 15 to 20 participants to be completing over the next month. As more meetings will be taking place in person, they will be looking at modifying the reporting conditions. Mr. Gutjahr shared a report with updated data. There are 42 in-custody clients that are not included in the 167 active participants (but would be if released prior to the disposition of their case). Ms. Pohlman McQuillen shared the updated Wisconsin Pretrial Release Conditions Matrix.

Risk Reduction Interventions- Ms. Koehl shared data that has been collected to date. 176 individuals have been screened. 143 have met the criteria. 27 scored medium risk which would be eligible for the new deferred prosecution program. They discussed a pre-plea versus post-plea program. They reached out to Patrick Roberts from JusticePoint for any research or data that he had on pre-plea versus post-plea. Based on the data, they believe the best approach moving forward would be following a post-plea program. Ms. Moses does not agree with this, but she also does not want to stop progress on the program. There is a TAD grant opportunity for opening a diversion program with a substance abuse tie. The grant is 100% competitive. The grant could provide up to \$125,000 per year. If awarded the grant, we would have to decide how best to use the funds. Option one could be to ask to use the funds for a substance abuse case manager or option two could be to funnel the money to JusticePoint to provide LSI-R: SV screens/full LSI-R assessments.

Stakeholder Outreach and Education- They have not met. Mr. Gutjahr has created two pretrial informational documents for distribution.

- 7) **Update on State EBDM.** Ms. Pohlman McQuillen thinks they may be meeting this month. Technical Assistance has ended. She will find out if the previous webinars were recorded.
- 8) **Citizen Participation and Announcements.** None.
- 9) **Future Meeting Date:** Thursday, September 9, 2021, Location TBD.
- 10) **Adjournment.** Ended by acclimation at 2:13 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tracey VanZandt
Secretary

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