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SPECIAL MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA

Cook County Juvenile Temporary Detention Center Advisory Board Meeting
Thursday September 9, 2021
12:00pm-2:00pm

JTDC Advisory Board Members Present: Briana Payton, Dr. Amanda Klonsky, Garien Gatewood, Juandalynn Johnson, Marjorie Berk Moss, Sandra Wortham, Meade Palidofsky, Dr. Dakeda Horton

- I. JTDC Updates
 - a. Updates on JTDC Population
 - i. Juveniles: 151
 - ii. ATs: 25
 - iii. There are currently no youth under the age of 14 in the detention center.
 - b. COVID19 Updates
 - i. As of September 8th, since the start of the pandemic, 110 JTDC residents have tested positive for COVID19. Since the last JTDC AB meeting in July, about 10 residents have tested positive (1 in general population).
 - c. Updates from Board Members
 - i. Questions remain about the management of COVID19 at the JTDC: Are vaccinations happening? What is the protocol? # of vaccinations completed? How many staff are vaccinated? What are the consequences for staff not getting vaccinated? Can you require youth to get vaccinated for COVID19?
 - ii. The JAC will send an email with these questions to Commissioner Moore's and Commissioner Degnen's teams for follow-up.
 - d. Follow-up from 5/18 Meeting with Superintendent Dixon
 - i. The JAC will send the approved letter on behalf of the JTDC AB to Superintendent Dixon and his team.
 - e. Chief Judge Evan's Blue Ribbon Commission
 - i. The Blue Ribbon Commission is taking a holistic look at JTDC and developing ARPA requests. There is currently an open seat on the Commission.
 - f. Due to the need for clarity on who has authority to appoint/reappoint the 5 remaining appointments/reappointments to the JTDC AB, Commissioner Suffredin is developing an amendment to the JTDC AB ordinance to give President Preckwinkle authority with board approval.
 - i. JAC will send the list of Presidential/Commissioner Appointments &

Original Ordinance

II. Presentation: Cook County Juvenile Probation

a. Pre-Trial Youth in Detention

i. Currently, there are approximately 949 youth pending trial. Of those, 350 are not assigned to probation and 599 are connected with Probation. A subset of these youth is in detention.

1. *Expeditor*-a probation officer that gathers additional insight and collaborates with Court actors to get the assigned young person released expeditiously. If released, then whole plethora of services at fingertips.

a. Expeditor provides case management throughout pre-trial

b. Electronic Monitoring

c. Evening Reporting Center-Centers throughout the City of Chicago that provide 3-4 hours of programming and provide transportation.

d. Temporary Shelter

2. *Educational Advocate*-probation officer that works with CPS case managers to help the young person re-enroll in community school and provides other educational advocacy and support.

a. There are 5-10 probation officers specifically trained to work with young people with IEPs.

b. There is a CPS information desk located in Probation staffed with 3-4 individuals during business hours.

3. *Program Referrals*: SCAN DFSS (450 referrals), Mentoring Program-Chicago Bar Association (lowest risk), Community Service, Cook County Health-Care Coordination,

b. Probation-Involved Youth in Detention

i. Currently, there are 80 young people in detention that are also probation-involved.

1. Arrested on a new offense, brought in on juvenile arrest warrant, or violation of probation pending

ii. Probation Programs: Supervision, Regular Probation, Intensive Probation

1. Complete a full social investigation and risk assessment (JRA-University of Cincinnati), then develop an initial case plan

2. The case plan is driven by clients and family.

3. Young people are sentenced to a specific period to Probation (2 years on average), but must be “terminated” by age 21.

a. If violation of probation, sentence can be extended

b. Probation can always recommend early “termination.”

c. Gaps & Challenges:

i. Probation clients are now older on average, so finding programs that accept this age cohort and ensuring that programs are developmentally appropriate is a new challenge.

ii. Probation clients are often ineligible or removed from programming because they are perceived as high-risk/non-responsive/hard to engage.

iii. There is a lack of programs that serve young people assessed as high risk

- and/or charged with more serious offenses.
- iv. There have been other challenges over the past year due to COVID19 and an interest in addressing vehicular hijacking.

III. 2021 Re-Entry Report Plan

- a. Overview
- b. Literature Review of Best Practices
 - i. Literature review completed by JAC fellow. JAC will send around for feedback.
- c. Summary of Current Resources/Processes in Cook County
- d. Youth Voices & Recommendations
 - i. Meade is conducting interviews with youth referred by PBMR today.
 - ii. Marjorie is going to reach out to the Final Five Campaign to ensure we are aligned with their recommendations.
- e. JTDC Advisory Board Recommendations
 - i. At the next meeting, the group will brainstorm recommendations.
- f. 2022 Hearing

IV. New Business

V. Adjourn