

Incarceration Prevention Reduction Task Force Behavioral Health Ad Hoc Committee Meeting

March 31, 2016

Whatcom County Health Department, 509 Girard Street, Lower Level,
Bellingham WA
3:00 – 5:00pm

AGENDA

Time	Topic	Purpose	Responsible	Attachment
3:00pm 5 minutes	1. Welcome and Introductions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review agenda • Review January 21, 2016 Meeting Summary 		Anne Deacon	Summary
	2. Review SIM Template	Discussion	Anne	Template
	3 Evaluating Program needs	Discussion	Anne	
	4. Criminogenic Risk Factors	Discussion	Anne	
	5 Next Steps – Phase II Objectives	Discussion	Anne	
	6 Behavioral Health Ad Hoc Meeting Schedule	Decision	Anne	
	6. Meeting Schedule <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Task Force Meeting – April 04, 2016; 311 Grand Avenue, Rooms 513/514 9 – 11am 	Information	Anne	
	7 Public Comment		Anne	
5:00pm	8. Adjourn		Anne	

Incarceration Prevention and Reduction Task Force

Behavioral Health Ad Hoc Committee

Meeting Summary, January 21, 2016

Whatcom Alliance for Health Advancement

800 East Chestnut, LL, Bellingham WA 4 – 6 pm

Attendance

Present	Representing
Bernstein, Jill	Citizen representative
Deacon, Anne	Whatcom County Human Services
Finkbonner, Julie	Lummi Nation
Foster, Vince (proxy for Chris Phillips)	PeaceHealth St. Joseph Medical Center
Morgan, Irene	Restorative Community Coalition
Polidan, Randy	Unity Care NW
Absent	
Gribbin, Susan	Consumer
Manering, Byron	Brigid Collins
Parks, Jeff (proxy for Sheriff Elfo)	Whatcom County Sheriffs' Office
Walker, Kathy (proxy for Dave McEachran)	Whatcom County Prosecutor's Office
Winter, Greg	Opportunity Council
Guests	
Sharon Grier	Lummi Counselling Services
Chris Lewis	Lummi Tribal Council Member
Nickolaus Lewis	Lummi Tribal Council Member
Matt McGrath	Lummi Counselling Services
Staff	
Mowery, Perry	Whatcom County Health Department
Wight, Dean	WAHA, Lead Facilitator

Meeting Summary

1. Call to Order

Anne called the meeting to order.

The meeting summary from December 17, 2015 was reviewed by the Committee

2. Phase One Report Review

The Ad Hoc Committee discussed the Draft Phase One Report and provided thoughtful feedback. Key concerns included:

- Improve clarity
- Focus on the continuum of care
- Focus on early (pre-booking) interventions and Recovery Support Services
- Emphasize the critical importance of workforce development

Dean Wight and Anne Deacon will collaborate on summarizing key elements and representing the work of the committee.

3. Lummi Behavioral Health Program

Matt McGrath and Sharon Grier from Lummi Behavioral Health shared information regarding programs and services currently offered at Lummi Counselling Services.

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Successes include:

- Medication Assisted Treatment program
- Involvement in the local schools
- Child focused/family driven community support programs
- Drug Court
- Intensive Outpatient Services.

Challenges and gaps in service delivery:

- Lack of inpatient treatment beds and distance to available bed space
- Reentry for the tribes
- Sentences > one year served in county jails
- Internal challenges with the way that their codes/laws are written
- Workforce development and recruiting staff

Future Work/Future Opportunities

- Pre-trial/pre-charging diversion programs
- First-time offender programs
- Expanding MAT to include Vivitrol
- Opportunity to improve communication with the Whatcom County Jail
 - Improved information re. bookings into jail
 - Mental health needs of tribal members incarcerated
 - Release planning
- More information sharing re. broader community resources

4. Phase Two Ad Hoc Goals

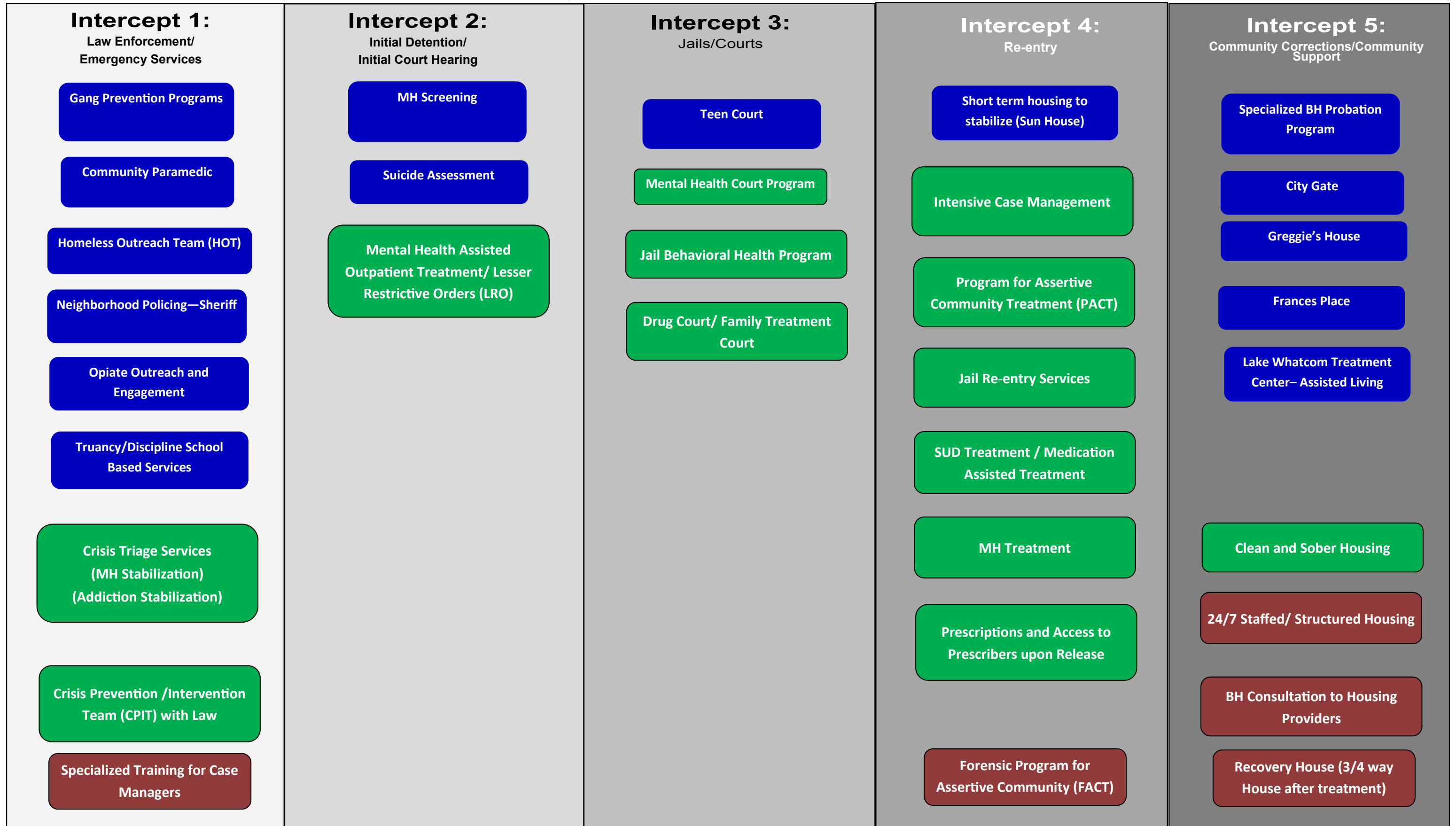
Noted that there will be a June 2016 deliverable and a November 2016 Phase Two Report.

Dean will distribute the revised Draft Phase One Report to the Task Force.

5. Meeting Schedule

Task Force Meeting, February 01, 2016, 311 Grand Avenue, Rooms 513/514, 9 – 11am

Whatcom County Behavioral Health Sequential Intercept Map



Key:

 Programs already in place

 Programs which need improvement

 Programs which have yet to be developed

1. Whatcom County Health Department

2. North Sound BHO

3. Whatcom Alliance for Healthcare Advancement