



Accountability Workgroup
Subgroup on Post-incarceration
Thursday, July 20th, 2023
4:00 PM- 4:30 PM
Government Center, Room 2/3
12000 Government Center Parkway
Fairfax, VA 22035

Members Present: Chris Davies (Staff), Katrina Smith (JDRDC), Jamie Milloy (OAR), Dawn Butorac (Public Defender).

Called to order 4:10 PM due to technological issues.

Jamie Milloy self-nominated as coordinator. Dawn Butorac seconded.

I. Remote attenders:

- a. Zoom link was open, but no participants joined remotely for this meeting.

II. Identify current practices, what is happening already? Pre-trial folks are sometimes reluctant to incriminate themselves in treatment, and their defensiveness has a negative impact on post-incarceration participants.

- a. DV intervention programs make this clear for clients, some of whom are surprised, having been recommended to complete the course by their attorney as a legal strategy.
- b. Clients who are invested in asserting their innocence are not appropriate for a DV intervention program, though programs routinely work with people who are in an early stage of change (precontemplational).
- c. The fact that ADAPT and OAR approach this
- d. "Post-conviction" is a better descriptor than the current subgroup name "post-incarceration", since not all are incarcerated.
- e. Intervention programs might apply to people who cause harm pre- or post-conviction.

III. Brainstorm potential solutions to address needs:

- a. The following things are important specifically for accountability post-conviction or post-incarceration, addressing underlying factors in DV:

- i. Substance use treatment
- ii. Trauma therapy and other mental health treatment
- iii. Housing stability
- iv. Job training
- v. Parenting
- vi. Pro-social peer networks
- vii. Peer-led groups (with organizational support)

IV. Objectives for subgroup identified

- a. Look at assessments to ensure we are asking the right questions
- b. Optimize communication between criminal justice and providers to ensure that people get access to the right resource for them
- c. Intervention and other providers communicate to expand community involvement in accountability

V. How will this workgroup coordinate with other groups that are already working on similar tasks?

- a. This will be addressed in a future meeting.

VI. Brainstorm a timeline to report progress on tasks to the Accountability workgroup.

- a. Plan to report out to Accountability Workgroup at next general meeting October 20, 2023.
- b. This subgroup will meet August 17 and September 21 in the meantime.
- c. For next meeting:
 - i. Chris Davies and Jamie Milloy will bring curriculum overviews for ADAPT and OAR.
 - ii. Jamie Milloy will inquire with Northern Virginia Family Services about their curriculum (the other state certified BIP in Fairfax County).
 - iii. Coordinator for next meeting will lead the subgroup in identifying a timeline and assigning action items to all members toward completion by September meeting.
 - iv. Chris Davies reminded participants not to communicate outside of these meetings outside of one-on-one communications, and reminded members that most of the work of the subgroup will be done independently by its members and delivered back at meetings.

VII. No observers were present for public comment.

VIII. Jamie Milloy motioned to adjourn at 4:35 PM. Dawn seconded.