

Dauphin County Criminal Justice Advisory Board (CJAB) Initiatives

The following is an overview only. It highlights processes we have in place that deliberately address a treatment related need and focus on diversion from the system. This does not include direct federal JAG Awards to Police departments. Did not include the Arnold Prosecution & Equity Research Award. Accelerated Rehabilitative Disposition (ARD) and weekly Bail Review Team meetings for diversion. All of these are not included as they are not explicitly focused on individuals who have a treatment need.

Intercept 0 – Community Services

- Law Enforcement Treatment Initiative (LETI) – Implemented October 2020
- Behavioral Health Unit (BHU) in the District Attorney’s Office – Prosecutor
- Behavioral Health Unit (BHU) in the Public Defender’s Office – Defense Attorney
- MRT Training County/Community Service Providers – Forensic Human Services Grant \$50,000
- Stepping-Up Coordinator/Behavioral Health Programming Administrator (Late Fall, 2018)

Intercept 1 – Law Enforcement

- Police Co-Responders (April 2020 – OMHSAS grant funded 2 CoResponders, Municipal Police donations and County/Federal funding allowed the creation of 5 more positions in 2021. Additional DCED CBDG Grant in 2022 allowed for one more position, for a total of 8 CoResponders currently.)
- Trained CIT Police Officers (October 2019 first LE Certified, now 50% trained (225) – PCCD #30997)
- CIT Train the Trainer Grant (Received October, 2022 – PCCD #37707)

Intercept 2 – Initial Detention / Initial Court Hearing

- Recovery Connections Court (RCC) – April 2021
- Dauphin County Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Abuse Program (COSSAP) – Diversion Programming – Case Manager, Certified Recovery Specialist, Local Coordinator in the District Attorney’s Office (PCCD #36411)
- Pre-Trial Risk Assessment – Allegheny Risk Screen– Pre-Trial Services (November 2018)
- DUI Repeat Offender Program (DROP) (March 2019)
- Team MISA (March 2019)
- Diversion Specialists – Needs Screening at Booking Center (TCU Drug Screen, Brief Jail Mental Health Screen) (Late Fall, 2019)

Intercept 3 – Jails/Courts

- Problem Solving Courts – Drug & Veterans Court (2012) Expansion of Tracks in July 2018, PCCD grant #28679
- Mental Health Court – April 2022, first placement in June 2022.
- Jail-Based Intensive Outpatient Program with Mazzitti and Sullivan (March 2019)
- Behavioral Health Reentry Coordinator (DCP) – Pretrial SUD Focus – (Hired May, 2022 - PCCD #36287)

Intercept 4 – Reentry

- Continue services identified through other program and process channels above and coordinate with other
- Reentry Service organizations. Services offered at the Dauphin County Work Release Center. Newly formed Reentry Coalition is an additional resource helping achieve goals of reentrants.
- Stepping-Up - Severe Mental Health Cases Reentry Coordinator (March 2020 – ONLY sentenced, MISA, D-Roster Cases)

Intercept 5 – Community Corrections

- Specialized Caseloads and Probation Services. Utilization of the ORAS for Case Planning.
- Dauphin County Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Abuse Program (COSSAP 2022) – \$500,000 – Planning Process – Focus on Reentrant Population and those under Community Supervision.