

Youth Justice Oversight Committee

Behavioral Health Work Group Minutes (April 21, 2023)

I. MEETING DETAILS

April 20, 2023 from 11am-1pm ET IGCS Conference Center, Room F Minutes By: Mindy Pickett, Staff

II. ATTENDEES

Members present in-person:

- Bartnick, Cheryl Allen County Probation
- Baumer, Keena Indiana Medicaid (FSSA)
- Becker, Amber Division of Mental Health & Addiction (FSSA)
- Blackmon, Sirrilla Division of Mental Health & Addiction (FSSA)

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- James, Waylon Indiana Department of Child Services
- Pratt, Alicia Tippecanoe County Public Defender
- Simmons, Brittany Indiana Office of Court Services

Members present electronically:

- Davis, Ann Indiana Association of Resources & Child Advocacy
- Harlan-York, Jessica Division of Disability & Rehabilitative Services (FSSA)

Members absent:

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- Dauss, Dr. Kristen Indiana Department of Correction
- Frantz, Zoe Indiana Council of Community Mental Health Centers
- Frazer, Rebekah Indiana Department of Education
- Hulvershorn, Dr. Leslie Indiana University School of Medicine / DMHA (FSSA)
- Mehta, Dr. Crystal Indiana Department of Correction

Staff present:

- Nick Parker, Indiana Office of Court Services
- Mindy Pickett, Indiana Office of Court Services

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

February 23, 2023 minutes approved by consent of committee Posted to Teams Site (Meeting 7)

IV. GROUP DISCUSSION

- Discussion on the workgroup report
 - Sirrilla Blackmon, Chair, created a powerpoint on the deliverable regarding developing criteria for the use of diagnostic assessments via telehealth. The powerpoint proposed streamlining the current draft report. The workgroup agreed to the proposal as outlined in the powerpoint presentation, including questions and efforts that need to be considered before making a referral for a diagnostic assessment to DOC.
 - The group reviewed and discussed feedback from a judicial officer on diagnostic assessments. Workgroup members discussed their experiences in obtaining diagnostic assessments from DOC for delinquent youth.
 - The workgroup plans to get additional data from DOC on the amount of youth who were housed at DOC for the purpose of a diagnostic assessment in 2022.
 - Additional ideas and parameters regarding the use of telehealth were discussed including the use of a private area in detention centers and identification/verification of the youth on camera.
 - The group was asked to review the current draft report and provide feedback as soon as possible prior to our next meeting. The current draft is going to be restructured to make our recommendations delineated and a revised draft will be circulated to the group prior to our next meeting. A vote on our final draft will occur at the May 8th workgroup meeting.

V. UPCOMING MEETINGS

Monday, May 8, 2023 from 11am-1pm ET IGCS Conference Center, Conference Room F