Identifying Barriers to Dual Diagnosis Treatment

Mental Health Court 2nd Judicial District, Reno

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Mental Health Court

Mental Health Court is a multi-jurisdictional, community-based program that provides court supervision and services to mentally ill defenders through cooperation of state, county, and local non-profit service agencies to promote engagement in treatment, improve quality of life, decrease recidivism, and increase community safety and awareness.

Overview of MHC Data and Demographics

- 198 enrolled
 - 11 Graduates
 - 4 Discharged
 - 9 AWOL
 - 95 Active
 - 81% white
 - 10% black
 - 3% native amer.
 - 3% latino
 - 3% asian

- Age range 19 to 57
- Average age: 35.1
- 50% Male/Female

Bipolar	35%
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- Depression 20%
- Schizophrenia 18%
- Schizoaffective 17%
- Other Disorders 10%
- Co-occurring D/O 85%

Current Substance Abuse Inpatient Services

- Bristlecone Family Resources (Reno)
- Step 2 (Reno)
- New Frontier (Fallon)
- Sierra Recovery Center (Tahoe)

- Vitality Center (Elko)
- Community
 Counseling Center
 (Carson City)
- Salvation Army (Reno)
- Reno-Sparks Gospel Mission (Reno)

Current Co-occurring Disorder Programs

- Northern Nevada Adult Mental Health Services Co-occurring Substance Abuse Groups (outpatient)
- Family Counseling Center's CORE Program (outpatient)

Current Co-occurring Disorder Inpatient Programs

Currently, there are none in existence

Barriers to Treatment

- Few programs available to treat co-occurring disorders on outpatient level
- No programs available on inpatient level
- Substance Abuse providers have no resources to appropriately deliver treatment to the cooccurring population
- Facilities not set-up for medication management, crisis intervention, and proper treatment planning that includes mental health issues

Case Studies

Synopsis of three cases

What is needed?

- More Resources to address and treat cooccurring disorders effectively
- More Outpatient Programs
- The development of an Inpatient Program(s)

Thank you for your time

Any Questions?