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Section 1: Agenda

Judicial Commission on Mental Health

State Bar of Texas, Texas Law Center, Austin, Texas

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AGENDA

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| 9:30 Welcome and Announcements | Hon. Barbara Hervey |
| 9:40 Legislative Update | Hon. Bill Boyce |
| 10:20 Executive Director Report <ul style="list-style-type: none">• NAMI Annual Convention: Texas Session• Bench Book• Summit<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Curriculum Committee○ Screening of <i>Ernie and Joe</i>• Budget Approval<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ MH Courts Grants○ Ideas for Judicial Training on Available Resources• Supreme Court Rules: Emergency Detention | Kristi Taylor
Adrienne Kennedy
Regan Metteauer
Emily Miller
Hon. Brent Carr
Belinda Swan |
| 10:50 Input from Commissioners on Rulemaking | Prof. Brian Shannon |
| 11:20 Break | |
| 11:30 HHSC Updates

Texas Forensic Implementation Team Update | Comm'r. Sonja Gaines
Comm'r. Mike Maples
Asst. Comm'r. Harvey |
| 12:10 Working Lunch | |
| 12:30 Collaborative Council Highlight: TCOOMMI | April Zamora |
| 12:50 Summary: Critical Points Round Table | Adrienne Kennedy
John Petrila |
| 1:10 JIR Report | Hon. John Specia (Ret.) |
| 1:20 Announcements <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Commissioners• Collaborative Council | |
| 2:30 Adjourn | |

Section 2: Commissioners and Collaborative Council

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Texas Department of Criminal Justice

Section 3: Minutes – April 5, 2019

**JUDICIAL COMMISSION ON MENTAL HEALTH
MINUTES OF MEETING
April 5, 2019
9:30 a.m. – 2:30 PM
State Bar of Texas – Texas Law Center
Austin, Texas**

Commissioners	Attended	Did Not Attend
Hon. Jeff Brown, Co-Chair, Supreme Court of Texas	✓	
Hon. Barbara Hervey, Co-Chair, Texas Court of Criminal Appeals	✓	
Hon. Bill Boyce, Vice Chair, Justice, Fourteenth Court of Appeals	✓	
Camille Cain, Executive Director, Texas Juvenile Justice Department		✓
Hon. Brent Carr, Judge, Tarrant County, Criminal Court No. 9	✓	
Terry Crocker, Chief Executive Officer, Tropical Texas Behavioral Health	✓	
Gerald Davis, President and CEO, Goodwill Industries of Central Texas		✓
Hon. Francisco Dominguez, Judge, El Paso County, 205th Judicial District Court	✓	
Hon. Camile DuBose, Judge, Medina County, 38th Judicial District	✓	
Dr. Tony Fabelo, Senior Fellow for Justice Policy, Meadows Mental Health Policy Institute	✓	
Sonja Gaines, Deputy Executive Commissioner for Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities	✓	
Hon. Ernie Glenn, Drug Court Magistrate, Bexar County	✓	
Hon. Sid Harle, District Court Judge, Bexar County, 226th Criminal District Court	✓	
Courtney Hjaltman, Policy Advisor, Office of the Governor		✓
Hon. Joan Huffman, Senator, District 17, Texas Senate	✓	
Dr. Andrew Keller, President and CEO, Meadows Mental Health Policy Institute	✓	
Adrienne Kennedy, President, National Alliance on Mental Illness	✓	
Hon. M. Sue Kurita, Judge, El Paso County Court at Law No. 6	✓	
Beth Lawson, Chief Executive Officer, StarCare Specialty Health System	✓	
Major Mike Lee, Mental Health & Jail Diversion Bureau, Harris County Sheriff's Office	✓	
Mike Maples, Deputy Executive Commissioner for Health and Specialty Care System	✓	
Dr. Octavio Martinez, Executive Director, Hogg Foundation for Mental Health	✓	
Hon. Stacey Mathews, Judge, Williamson County, 277th District Court	✓	
Chief James McLaughlin, Executive Director, Texas Police Chiefs Association		✓
Beth Mitchell, Supervising Attorney, Disability Rights Texas	✓	
Tom Mitchell, Director of Jail Diversion Services, The Harris Center for Mental Health/IDD	✓	
Hon. Joe Moody, Representative, District 78, Texas House of Representatives		✓
Hon. Roxanne Nelson, Justice of the Peace, Burnet County Precinct 1	✓	
Hon. Robert Newsom, Judge, Hopkins County	✓	
Denise Oncken, Bureau Chief, Harris County District Attorney, Mental Health Bureau	✓	
Hon. Harriet O'Neill, Justice (Ret.), Harriet O'Neill Law Office		✓
Dr. William Schnapp, Mental Health Policy Advisor, Harris County	✓	
Prof. Brian Shannon, Paul Whitfield Horn Professor, Texas Tech University School of Law	✓	
Reginald Smith, Policy Analyst, Texas Criminal Justice Coalition	✓	
Hon. Polly Jackson Spencer, Judge (Ret.), Bexar County Probate Court	✓	
Hon. Cynthia Wheless, Judge, Collin County, 417th Judicial District Court	✓	

	Attended	Did Not Attend
Collaborative Council		
Hon. Mark Allen		✓
Trey Apffel		✓
David Aronofsky	✓	
Hon. Mark Atkinson		✓
Hon. Daphne Previti Austin		✓
Lauren Bledsoe	✓	
Jay Brandon		✓
Dr. Virginia Brown	✓	
Geoff Burkhart		✓
Hon. Nelda Cacciotti	✓	
Angel Carroll		✓
Seth Christensen		✓
Hon. Rex Davis		✓
Leah Davies	✓	
Alyse Ferguson	✓	
Lesli Fitzpatrick	✓	
Gilbert Gonzales	✓	
Greg Hansch	✓	
Dr. Courtney Harvey	✓	
Elizabeth Henneke		✓
Colleen Horton	✓	
Angelita Hunter	✓	
Trina K. Ita		✓
Hon. Dave Jahn	✓	
Lee Johnson	✓	
Windy Johnson	✓	
Louise Joy		✓
Hon. Evelyn Keyes	✓	
Veronica Longoria		
Chris Lopez	✓	
Mike Lozito		✓
Trish McAllister		✓
Jennifer Marshall		✓
Lela Mays		✓
Joanna Mendez	✓	
Allen Place		✓
Shea Place		✓
Terry Qualls	✓	
Janis Reinken	✓	
Michelle Romero		✓
Melissa Schank		✓
Jonas Schwartz	✓	

	Attended	Did Not Attend
Dr. Brigid Sheridan		✓
Matt Smith		✓
Lt. Scott Soland	✓	
Jeanne Stamp		✓
Hon. Charles Stephens	✓	
Gloria Terry		✓
Rick Thompson		✓
Haley Turner		
Hon. Ryan Turner		✓
Sally Uncapher		
Keona Ugwuh		✓
Dee Wilson		✓
Dennis D. Wilson		✓
Steve Wohleb	✓	
Julie Wayman		✓
Thea Whalen		✓
Brandon Wood		✓
Chris Yanas		✓
April Zamora	✓	

Attending Committee Members and Guests

- Lupe Armijo
- Amy Befeld
- Kelsey Bernstein
- Isabel Casas
- Diana Claitor
- Marti Cockrell
- Mary Cunningham
- Julia Egler
- Leon Evans
- Hon. Drue Farmer
- Dr. Lynda Frost
- Kevin Garrett
- Steven Gonzales
- Aaryce Hays
- Ramey Heddins
- Kelsey Lammons
- Richard Morrison
- Nicholas Mosser
- Hon. Rita Noel
- Amy Page
- John Petrila

Phil Ritter
Sandra Talton
William Turner
Justin Wood

Attending JCMH Staff

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Belinda Swan, Executive Assistant

Attending OCA Staff

David Slayton

Attending Children's Commission Staff

Tina Amberboy
Jamie Bernstein
Jocelyn Fowler
Monica Mahoney

Welcome and Announcements

Justice Jeff Brown welcomed everyone in attendance. He announced that he has been nominated to a Federal bench by the President and that he is scheduled for a confirmation hearing on Wednesday, April 10, 2019. He then introduced Judge Barbara Hervey.

Judge Hervey expressed her congratulations and introduced Judge John Specia.

Judge Specia shared that Texas Workforce Commission Executive Director and JCMH Collaborative Council Member Larry Temple passed away. He shared that Mr. Temple was a champion for people with challenges and that he worked for many years providing opportunities for people with behavioral health and IDD issues. Judge Specia stated that Mr. Temple will be missed.

Judge Hervey then introduced JCMH's new staff attorney, Regan Metteauer. Regan comes to the JCMH from the Texas Municipal Court Education Center where she served as program attorney since 2012. She was involved with mental health training including a mental health summit and two sequential intercept model mappings, one for Tarrant County in 2016, and one in Denton County in 2018. Regan received her law degree from Baylor University and her undergraduate degree from Sam Houston State University.

Judge Hervey then introduced new members of the Collaborative Council: Jonas Schwartz of the Texas Workforce Commission, Judge Rita Noel of Grayson County, and Sally Uncapher of Bexar County. Judge Hervey shared that the Collaborative Council meets monthly via teleconference to provide input on JCMH projects and to share announcements. The Collaborative Council also works on JCMH committees and shares the JCMH's work with their organizations and vice versa. She then recognized Collaborative Council members in attendance and thanked them for their dedication.

Judge Hervey provided an overview of the meeting agenda and notebook materials. She advised that the notebook is also available for review online on the JCMH website.

Each Commissioner then provided a brief introduction and update about their respective organizations.

Commissioner Updates

Hon. Sid Harle, Regional Presiding Judge for the 4th Judicial Region, Bexar County, shared that since becoming a JCMH Commissioner, he has become a point of contact regarding mental health resources for individuals or their family members who are involved in the criminal justice system. He also noted that in his new role, he consistently encounters mental health issues as the root causes for many criminal cases. He stated that mental health issues are issues in every county.

Hon. Stacey Mathews, 227th District Court, Williamson County, shared that mental health issues have become the number one focus in Williamson County. The county's current task force is a collaborative group that includes judges, service providers, community providers, local schools, and the local mental health authority. The group meets monthly and recently held a two-day SIM training. Attendees included members of every law enforcement agency in the county. A post-meeting report will be completed soon, and a follow-up meeting is planned. The group is working to implement the JCMH's model. Judge Mathews added that Matt Smith has been hugely instrumental in the county's successes. She also added that they have created a diversion program with a focus on substance abuse, mental health, and IDD for young adults, ages 17-24. She added that she hopes any research to come out of the program will be of benefit to the Commission.

Matt Smith, Assistant Executive Director and Director of Mental Health Services, Williamson County Juvenile Services, introduced himself and shared that he will be co-presenting with Judge Mathews later in the meeting.

Alyse Ferguson, Collin County Mental Health Managed Counsel Program Coordinator, shared that she is presenting on her county's competency restoration program later in the meeting.

Beth Lawson, StarCare Lubbock, shared some of her organization's recent accomplishments. StarCare recently named a director for forensic mental health services, Dr. Sarah Dingus. Additionally, her organization has been awarded a coordinating grant to assess and support both mental health and physical medicine. Finally, she shared that StarCare has hired a family nurse practitioner to conduct physical screenings. She pointed to an example of a client who was treated for high blood pressure during a psychiatric appointment, allowing the client to be able to proceed with obtaining needed mental health treatment. She has also initiated an informal judicial education tract, taking local judges to national and state level trainings.

Jerry Davis noted that he has retired after working for Goodwill Industries for 25 years. He continues to provide executive coaching for various organizations, including a local start-up with focus on mental health issues. He also continues to serve as President of Workability International, the world's largest body representing providers of work and employment services to people with disabilities.

Denise Oncken, Mental Health Bureau Chief, Harris County District Attorney's Office, provided an overview of Harris County's Emmet Mental Health Diversion Center. She shared that since its inception seven months ago, 940 individuals have been pre-charged and diverted. She noted that beginning May 1st, Harris County District Attorney Kim Ogg is expanding pre-charge diversion to include low level misdemeanors. Additionally, Ms. Oncken noted that Harris County is working toward creating an outpatient competency restoration program.

Major Mike Lee, Harris County Sheriff's Office, noted that Harris County is working to expand capacity for their law enforcement in-crisis, neuro-psychiatric center, which has been in operation since 1999. He noted that over the last 20 years, law enforcement has processed over 100,000 people

at the center, most often in lieu of going to jail. He is working with County officials to open at least one or two more crisis facilities.

Major Lee also noted that Harris County opened a joint processing center in February, allowing both the City of Houston and Harris County to book defendants in one location. The center includes a diversion desk that is staffed by the local mental health authority. In addition to providing assessments, the center provides a hotline available to officers 24 hours a day, seven days a week. These efforts allow officers an additional point to recognize and address mental health issues.

Harris County has also initiated a telepsych program for their patrol officers. Currently, 20 deputies have iPads in their patrol units that are linked to the local mental health authority in real time. The County has also received a grant that will allow the County and the University of Houston to conduct a one-year evaluation of the program. Major Lee added that this project has vast potential, not just for Harris County, but for the entire state, especially the state's rural areas.

Adrienne Kennedy, National Alliance on Mental Health, expressed that the Commission's efforts to include and address family members and other lived experience experts in its work is an incredible step in a brilliant and bold direction that is drawing national attention.

She also announced that Justice Bill Boyce will be presented with the 2019 Sam Cochran Criminal Justice Award on June 21st at NAMI's National Convention.

Tom Mitchell, Harris County Jail Diversion Center, shared that March was a record month for the center with 168 diversions. He added that when law enforcement officials bring a client to the center, the client's handcuffs are removed, and the individual is then greeted by a peer, a licensed counselor, or a social worker. The average length of stay is 4.5 days, but an individual can stay between 12 and 14 days. The center houses 12 recliners and 29 beds, a primary care physician, and a psychiatrist. The center also works closely with the sobering center.

Hon. Robert Newsom, Hopkins County, added that the Commission has impacted his county positively. Judges and other county officials are working together to discuss mental health issues and to update their forms. He shared that while they may not have the resources of larger counties, but he is excited about their ongoing efforts to address mental health.

Hon. Camile DuBose, 38th District Court, shared that her district includes three counties, and that serving on the Commission has improved her awareness of the needs of the people that appear before her. She added that next week, officials in her district are conducting their first mental health task force meeting in Uvalde County. The meeting will include representatives from the local hospital district, mental health facility, community health facility, school districts, and other stakeholders.

Dr. Bill Schnapp, Meadows Foundation, announced that Harris County has opened an inpatient unit within the psychiatric hospital for juvenile probation, which is greatly needed.

Hon. Francisco Dominguez, 205th District Court, shared that his court has seen many of the same problems discussed by the Commission. To that end, his district is working toward establishing a felony mental health court, with an expected September start date. In anticipation, his county has worked to gather information and research recidivism rates and other pertinent data.

Hon. Polly Spencer shared that Bexar County has seen successes in the mental health area due to increased and ongoing collaboration. She anticipates continued and more widespread collaboration in the future. She also added that the Center for Health Care Services has been active in trying to promote addressing both physical and mental health needs, as Beth Lawson described is happening in her county.

Chief James McLaughlin, National Police Chiefs Association, shared that mental health continues to be one of the biggest issues facing law enforcement. He added that his organization's upcoming annual conference will help to address this issue. They expect over 500 attendees, including police chiefs and assistant chiefs from across the state. The conference will include a mental health panel, which he hopes will help to disseminate accurate information, especially for some of the smaller counties in the state that may not have access to resources.

Dr. Tony Fabelo, Meadows Mental Health Policy Institute, introduced himself and noted that Dr. Keller would provide their organization's update.

Amy Befield, Deputy Committee Director, Senator Huffman's Office, provided an update on Senator Huffman's behalf. She noted that the filed budget directive combines 7.5 billion in funding for mental health purposes across 21 different state agencies, including via Senate Bill 63.

Senate Bill 63, co-authored by Sen. Huffman, provides 100 million in new funding, an additional 59 million to increase outpatient community mental health treatment capacity, and also includes an increase of 22.5 million to continue community mental health grant programs. *[See S.B. 11]*

Amy added that SB 362, which is a civil commitment mental health reform bill, came from the Judicial Council's Chapter 574 working group recommendations. She noted that the as-filed version of the bill was discussed at the last Commission meeting and that since then, a large stakeholder meeting was convened which resulted in several changes and a committee substitute. She thanked everyone who assisted with the changes to SB 362, including several in attendance. The bill passed unanimously out of committee and is headed to the floor for full consideration. She stated that the bill will be accompanied by funding, thanks to HHSC's diligent work to provide measurements to ensure that private psychiatric facilities with community beds will be able to provide medication for patients.

Dr. Andy Keller, Chief Executive Officer, Meadows Mental Health Policy Institute, highlighted that the Commission has enabled collaboration and continued commitment to mental health issues. He added that there is national interest in the work of the Commission, as he has seen in recent meetings across the country. He added that the Commission may consider inviting representatives from organizations across the country to its annual summit to collaborate, gain more momentum and resources, and to influence national discussion.

Regarding legislation, he added that the exceptional item in place for additional in-patient beds is one of the most important, and that advocates are needed to continue to highlight the importance of allocating funds to these issues.

Dr. Keller also added that his organization will host its annual Engage and Excel Summit September 26-27 in Austin. He stated that it is a cross-discipline event that has had tremendous support from the judiciary, law enforcement, and the criminal justice and general justice systems. He welcomed everyone to participate and to contact his office regarding assistance to cover registration costs if needed.

Terry Crocker, Tropical Texas Behavioral Health, shared that his organization is the local mental health authority for the lower Rio Grande Valley. He added that there is a great need for services in the area and that his organization is near capacity. He thanked HHSC for their continued efforts to address these issues.

He added that his organization was honored to be recognized on a national basis for their excellence in whole-person care, including primary care, substitute services, and mental health services.

He added his appreciation for Judge Carr and Judge Cacciotti and their dedication to assisting with his organization's assisted outpatient treatment program.

Hon. Brent Carr, Tarrant County Criminal Court No. 9, shared that Tarrant County currently has approximately seven judicially-involved, mental-health-based programs. The mental health program is in its sixteenth year and has had almost 500 graduates. His county's veterans program is in its eleventh year and has had about 300 graduates. Additionally, the county's sex trafficking program is in its ninth year, with approximately 50 graduates. He added that Judge Nelda Cacciotti is supervising and consolidating the county's competency restoration efforts into a single docket. Judge Carr added that if anyone needs a consultation regarding any of the aforementioned programs, he and Judge Cacciotti are happy to assist.

Hon. Cindy Wheless, 417th District Court, Collin County, shared that her court gives preference to juvenile delinquency cases. As such, two of the more prominent issues her court encounters are sexual abuse and trafficking. In response, she has created a Girls Empowerment Court, which aims to prevent, identify, and eliminate child sex trafficking.

Hon. Roxanne Nelson, Justice of the Peace, Burnet County and Associate Judge, City of Burnet, asked that the Commission keep in mind that rural Texas has needs that cannot be met in the same way that those in Harris County can be met. She recommended that the Commission spearhead a resource guide that clearly lists LMHAs by region that could then be shared with local stakeholders. She noted that local LMHAs tend to be the biggest mental health partner in rural areas. She also suggested that the Commission continue to share the JCMH Bench Book, as it serves as an invaluable tool. She noted that July's TAC Conference would be a great opportunity to do so.

She also noted that the National Judicial College is creating an online module using some of the materials that have been created through funding by the Texas Justice Court Training Center. The module will be widely used around the nation.

Finally, Judge Nelson noted that rural communities do not have the resources to create mental health or veterans courts. She asked if the Commission could afford the possibility of creating traveling judges, much like has been done for child support enforcement, that could visit rural counties to assist.

Mike Maples, Deputy Executive Commissioner for the Health and Specialty Care System, HHSC, shared that the legislature has funded an additional 350 beds. The first renovations to buildings to carry-out this initiative will begin in June; 70 beds have been added to the Kerrville facility for maximum security; and 40 beds have been added to the San Antonio facility for non-maximum-security forensics, in addition to plans for a new hospital in Houston.

Additionally, new construction of the Austin State Hospital and the San Antonio State Hospital is still being worked through budget discussions, as is planning for new beds beyond those two areas. Mr. Maples noted that repairs to crumbling infrastructure must be a top priority to avoid taking beds offline in the near future.

Mr. Maples noted that the makeup of the state hospital system is continuing to grow with individuals that are being committed for competency restoration, or for not guilty by reason of insanity judgments. He emphasized that it is important to focus on processes that will enable the most efficient use of available beds rather than only adding new beds.

He also highlighted SB 562 and SB 1389 and stated that his organization will continue to work with the Meadows Foundation and the Judicial Commission regarding these two bills. He noted that SB 1389 offers guidelines and parameters around how long people are committed for competency restoration, an issue that state facilities continue to encounter.

Sonja Gaines, Deputy Executive Commissioner, IDD and Mental Health Services, HHSC, provided an overview of the HHSC Strategic Plan Update. She noted that the Strategic Plan Update is the result of collaboration across 23 state agencies. Several points of interest include its highlight on IDD. The Strategic Plan Update includes foundational information that serves as a precursor to a strategic plan specifically for the IDD population. In addition to the foundational information, her organization has conducted a survey of family members, consumers, and service providers from across the state; the survey garnered more than 3,000 responses. The survey results and coinciding SWOT analyses will serve as a preview for the work to be done on the IDD strategic plan.

Ms. Gaines added that her agency also received more than \$100 million in funds to address the opioid crisis. The funds will be used to focus on prevention, recovery, and treatment. Additionally, her agency continues to focus on funding for inpatient beds, especially for IDD crisis, and residential treatment centers for at-risk children and their families.

Dr. Courtney Harvey, Associate Commissioner for the Health and Human Services Commission's Office of Mental Health Coordination and Chair of the Statewide Behavioral Health Coordinating Council, introduced herself and noted that she will provide a presentation later in the meeting regarding SAMHSA.

Hon. John Specia (Ret.), introduced himself. He stated that he serves as the Jurist in Residence for the Commission.

Judge Barbary Hervey, Texas Court of Criminal Appeals, Co-Chair, Judicial Commission on Mental Health, shared that she is proud of the training her court's grantees have undertaken. She also stated that the Commission's Bench Book continues to serve as a popular resource and that more copies will be printed and made available in the coming weeks.

Judge Specia added that the Bench Book will be updated to reflect legislative changes and other improvements. He noted that updated versions will be available online and printed copies will be made available every two years.

Lt. Scott Soland, Fort Bend Sheriff's Office, announced that the Texas CIT Association will host its annual conference from May 2-4 in South Padre Island. He added that the conference is for law enforcement officers, mental health professionals, and attorneys. He noted that scholarships are available, and that more information can be found on the Texas CIT website:

www.texascit.org.

Judge Hervey introduced Alyse Ferguson.

Alyse Ferguson, Chief Attorney, Collin County Mental Health Managed Counsel, provided a presentation regarding Collin County's Mental Health Managed Counsel Program.

Her presentation can be found on the JCMH website:

<http://texasjcmh.gov/media/1599/apr-5-2019-collin-county-mhmc-program.pdf>

Judge Hervey then introduced **Hon. Nelda Cacciotti, Judicial Staff Counsel/Mental Health Magistrate, Tarrant County.**

Judge Cacciotti provided a presentation regarding local competency restoration programs implemented in Tarrant County. She highlighted some of the programs' challenges and successes.

Her presentation can be found on the JCMH website:

<http://texasjcmh.gov/media/1638/apr-5-2019-tc-competency-restoration.pdf>

Judge Hervey then introduced **Dr. Courtney Harvey, Associate Commissioner for the Health and Human Services Commission's Office of Mental Health Coordination and Chair of the Statewide Behavioral Health Coordinating Council.**

Dr. Harvey provided an overview of Texas' participation in the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration's GAINS Center Competency to Stand Trial and Competency Restoration Learning Collaborative.

Dr. Harvey noted that the purpose of this particular learning collaborative is to identify the most common factors contributing to system stressors that are associated with competency to stand trial and the competency restoration process. She also noted that two of the deliverables for this collaborative are to develop a strategic plan to address problems specific to Texas and to identify methods for measuring outcomes.

Dr. Harvey added that two communities have been selected to pilot the strategies to be outlined in the Collaborative's strategic plan: StarCare Specialty Health System of Lubbock and MHMR of Tarrant County. Dr. Harvey also outlined several agencies that comprise the Texas team and announced that to date, the Collaborative has held a kick-off meeting and two learning collaborative prep meetings. She then provided an overview of the meetings and noted that many of the questions that arose from the meetings dealt with taking a closer look at the competency evaluation process overall, and specifically data and standardization of clinical assessments and evaluations.

She noted that the next virtual meeting will be held April 30th and May 1st. The meeting will include representatives from other states and will serve as an opportunity to share information.

Justice Boyce then recognized several guests in attendance. He introduced Hal Talton, Chief of Staff for Representative Four Price; Mr. Zachary Hawari from Senator Zaffirini's office; Tina Amberboy, Executive Director of the Texas Children's Commission; Jamie Bernstein, Assistant Director of the Texas Children's Commission, and Jocelyn Fowler, Texas Children's Commission Staff Attorney.

Jocelyn Fowler, Staff Attorney, Texas Children's Commission, provided an overview of a recent Children's Commission report on a statewide collaborative regarding trauma-informed care. She noted that the report can be found on the Children's Commission website. She added that the collaborative is comprised of over a hundred stakeholders representing different areas of child welfare, and that the purpose of the report is to provide a general plan for our state to move the child welfare system toward the direction of trauma-informed care.

Justice Boyce then introduced Shana Fox, Executive Director, Council on At-Risk Youth (CARY). He noted that CARY is a local non-profit whose mission is to empower at risk youth with the skills to avoid crime and violence. He added that CARY provides one-on-one counseling, and anger management and life skills training to children who have had at least one disciplinary referral. The students participate on a voluntary basis, and CARY's program also offers a life skills component for parents as well. Justice Boyce congratulated CARY on their work.

Justice Boyce then introduced Kristi Taylor, Judicial Commission on Mental Health Executive Director.

Kristi Taylor provided an overview of the Commission's budget and pointed to Judge Carr to provide an overview of this year's Summit Curriculum Committee.

Judge Carr announced that this year's Judicial Summit on Mental Health will be held on Monday and Tuesday, November 18-19, 2019, in San Marcos at the Embassy Suites Convention Center. He encouraged everyone to email ideas for presentation topics and potential presenters to either Kristi Taylor or himself. He noted that this year's Summit will include a break-out session that will allow for networking as well as a legislative update and a public defender training from the Texas Indigent Defense Commission.

Kristi Taylor then provided an update on the Commission's Bench Book. She stated that due to demand, additional copies of the first edition have been ordered and will be made available in the coming weeks. She added that an online version is currently available on the Commission's website and that an online version with live links will be made available soon. She added that the second edition of the bench book will include information on competency restoration as well as a focus on rural solutions. Kristi then introduced Adrienne Kennedy.

Adrienne Kennedy, President, NAMI, provided an overview of the Commission's upcoming Critical Points Round Table. Adrienne noted that the round table will provide an opportunity for individuals with lived experience to discuss what worked well and what did not along the sequential intercept model. She added that John Petrila of the Meadows Mental Health Foundation will co-facilitate. She welcomed anyone interested to register to attend. The event will be held on Friday, July 19, 2019, at the Austin Asian-American Resource Center from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Kristi pointed everyone to an informational flyer located in the meeting materials.

Kristi Taylor announced that the Commission is offering scholarships for Commissioners and Collaborative Council members to cover the costs to attend this year's annual NAMI Convention in Seattle. The convention will take place from June 19-22 and will include a focus on Texas and the work of the judiciary. She added that application information is included in the meeting's materials. Judge Hervey added that the Court of Criminal Appeals may have funds available to provide funding for judges to attend as well.

Judge Specia provided information regarding the Commission's current grant opportunity. He shared that the Commission is accepting grant applications to assist with court improvement costs. He noted that the grant funds can be used to purchase equipment, for operational expenses, or for technical assistance such as hiring a consultant to conduct sequential intercept mapping. He added that the grant does not include a match requirement and welcomed everyone with any interest in applying to contact either Kristi Taylor or himself for more information.

Justice Boyce introduced **Judge Cindy Wheless, 417th District Court, Collin County**.

Judge Wheless provided an overview of fitness to proceed and other challenges specific to youth.

Her presentation can be found on the JCMH website:

<http://texasjcmh.gov/media/1600/apr-5-2019-fitness-to-proceed-and-other-challenges-judge-cynthia-wheless.pdf>

Judge Wheless then introduced **Judge Stacey Matthews, 277th District, Williamson County, and Matt Smith, Assistant Executive Director and Director of Mental Health Services, Williamson County Juvenile Services**.

Judge Matthews and Mr. Smith provided a presentation regarding trauma-informed care implementation in a juvenile justice setting.

Their presentation can be found on the JCMH website:

<http://texasjcmh.gov/media/1601/apr-5-2019-innovative-practices-and-tic-from-williamson-county.pdf>

Matt Smith introduced **Julie Wayman, Mental/Behavioral Health Coordinator, Texas Education Agency (TEA)**.

Ms. Wayman shared that thousands of teachers across the state have attended trust based relational training (TBRI) and that several school districts have begun to implement it in the classroom as well.

She added that TEA continues to convene with mental health champions from across the state to share information and develop best practices that are then communicated with schools. She noted that TEA also maintains a website that provides information regarding resources and training. Additionally, TEA's 20 education service centers continue to provide educator training on topics such as trauma-informed care, suicide prevention, positive youth development, and de-escalation and self-regulation strategies. TEA also provides educator-prep programs in colleges and universities across the state. Ms. Wayman also mentioned an upcoming program expansion in 15 districts focused on building awareness, wellness, and resiliency in Texas.

She noted that at least 20 percent of children at age 14 are experiencing a mental health challenge. With 5.4 million children in the state of Texas alone, that can equate to roughly a million children with mental illness. She added that our state's teachers need support, and that TEA continues to work toward that effort.

Ms. Wayman also shared that May is Mental Health Awareness Month. She added that roughly 800 schools are participating this year by creating student artwork and attending various activities.

More information, including TEA's mental health resources can be found here:

[https://tea.texas.gov/About TEA/Other Services/Mental Health/Mental Health and Behavioral H health/](https://tea.texas.gov/About%20TEA/Other%20Services/Mental%20Health/Mental%20Health%20and%20Behavioral%20H%20health/)

Kristi Taylor then provided an overview of legislation that the JCMH continues to track. She noted that the JCMH is currently tracking over 300 bills, however the list will be paired down as the legislative session continues. She also noted that a summary of the Commission's recent Legislative Committee call is available for those interested.

Kristi highlighted the following bills:

- **House Bill 598** expands existing judicial and court personnel training funds to include part-time magistrates.
- **House Bill 601** (combines HB 599 and HB 600), requires certain mental health records be transferred with the defendant.
- **Senate Bill 362** clarifies the Code of Criminal Procedure regarding court-ordered temporary and extended outpatient and inpatient mental health services.
- **Senate Bill 562** relates to streamlining the manifest dangerousness process.

Kristi noted that a full legislative summary will be available at this year's Judicial Summit. She thanked everyone for attending and reminded everyone of the next Commission meeting to be held on Friday, August 16, 2019.

Meeting adjourned.

Section 4: Financial Reports



**Judicial Commission on Mental Health
August 2019 Meeting Financial Report**

FY 2019 BUDGET

FY2019 State General Revenue \$ 1,000,000
FY2019 Available Funds \$ 1,000,000

FY 2019 OBLIGATIONS

	Budget	Expenses To-date	Outstanding Obligations
Indirect	\$ 536,871	\$ (281,070)	\$ 255,801
Projects	\$ 214,402	\$ (28,573)	\$ 185,828
Scholarships	\$ 10,000	\$ (1,470)	\$ 8,530
	<u>\$ 761,273</u>	<u>\$ (311,113)</u>	<u>\$ 450,160</u>

CURRENT FINANCIAL STATUS

State General Revenue Balance August 2019 \$ 688,887
 FY 2019 Outstanding Obligations \$ 450,160
FY2019 Projected End Balance \$ 238,727

August 12, 2019

Section 5: 2019 Mental Health Summit

Judicial Commission on Mental Health Summit 2019

November 18-19, 2019

Embassy Suites San Marcos

Monday, November 18, 2019	Tuesday, November 19, 2019	
<p>7:30 AM – 8:30 AM Registration 8:30- 8:45 Welcome 8:45-9:45 Legislative Update Justice Boyce Break 10:00-11:00 Competency Restoration Prof. Brian Shannon 11:00-12:00 A View from the State Hospital System Dr. Matthew Faubion</p>	<p>Best Practices: Urban 8:30 AM – 10:00 AM New MH Court Requirements MH Jail Diversion Programs Practical Solutions</p>	<p>Best Practices: Rural 8:30 AM – 10:00 AM Regional MH Courts MH Jail Diversion Programs Practical Solutions</p>
<p>12:00 PM – 1:00 PM KEYNOTE ADDRESS: Ms.Tonier “Neen” Cain</p>	<p>12:00 PM – Summit Ends</p>	
<p>1:15 PM – 2:00 PM Jail Based and Outpatient Competency Restoration (Introduction- Dr. Courtney Harvey) Various Programs from around the State</p>	<p>TIDC Mental Health Defense Workshop 12:30 PM – 4:30 PM</p>	
<p>2:00- 2:30 PM Secondary Trauma Judge Ed Spillane 2:30-3:15 Lived Experience Critical Points Presentation Adrienne Kennedy & John Petriola BREAK Facilitated Breakout by County</p>		
<p>3:30 PM – 5:00 PM Reception 5:00 PM – 6:00 PM</p>		



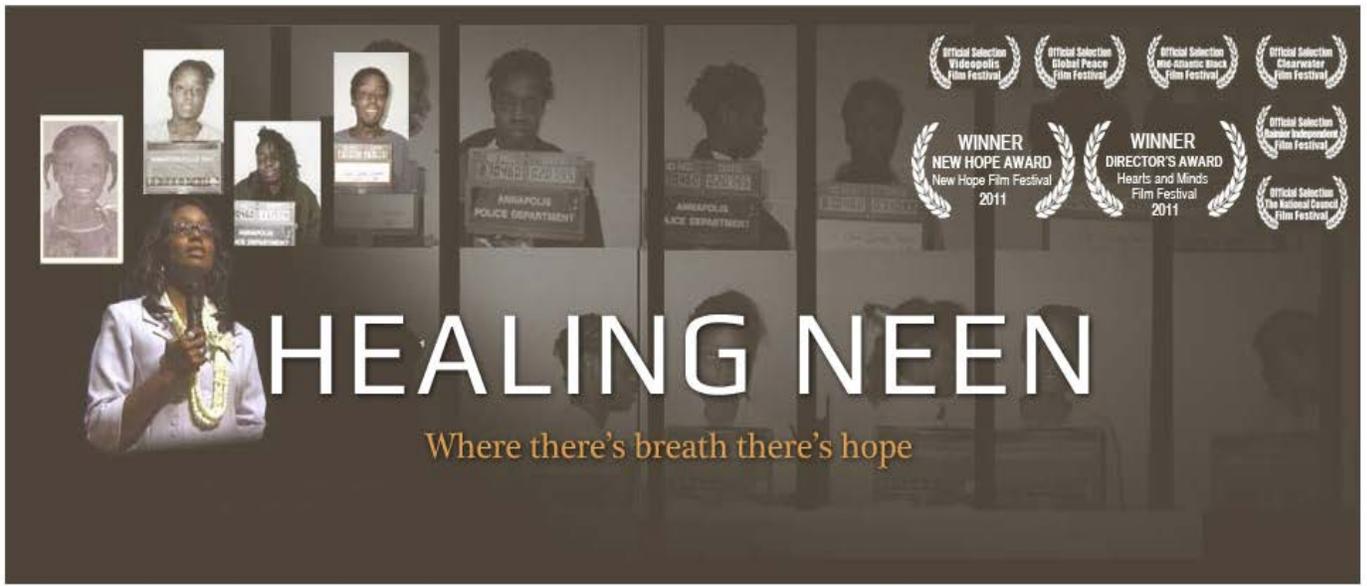
Ernie & Joe follows two police officers with the San Antonio Texas Police Department who are diverting people away from jail and into mental health treatment, one 911 call at a time.



ABOUT

ERNIE & JOE is an intimate portrait of two Texas police officers who are helping change the way police respond to mental health calls. The film takes audiences on a personal journey, weaving together their experiences during their daily encounters with people in crisis. These two officers are not your everyday cops. They are part of the San Antonio Police Department's 10-person Mental Health Unit.

ERNIE & JOE has received generous support from IDA Enterprise Fund, Fork Films, The Lovell Foundation, The Texas Mental Health Collaborative, CT Office of the Arts, and LEF Foundation.



ABOUT

Healing Neen takes viewers on a journey to places and subjects that most find too difficult or uncomfortable to fathom. But it is Tonier “Neen” Cain’s joyous spirit and astonishing inner-strength that leaps through the screen directly into viewers hearts, inspiring renewed hope and compassion for those still living on the fringes.

For two decades, Neen hustled on the streets of Annapolis, Maryland, desperately feeding an insatiable crack addiction and racking up 83 arrests along the way. Rapes and beatings were a routine part of life; home was underneath a bridge or inside the locked cage of a prison. In 2004, pregnant and incarcerated for violation of parole, she was provided the opportunity to go to a community trauma, mental health and addictions program.

Feeling safe for the first time in her life, Neen confronted the haunting childhood memories that she tried to numb with drugs: filth and chronic hunger, sexual assaults by neighborhood men, routine physical and mental abuse dished out by her drunken mother. Realizing for the first time that she had been a victim, she began to heal and reclaim power over her life, embarking on a remarkable “upward spiral,” that has no limit. Today, she works for the National Center for Trauma-Informed Care, dedicating her life to being a voice for those still lost and still silent. Traveling the country to give speeches and work one on one with women in prisons and hospitals, Neen continues to transform her own life while helping others to embrace her motto “where there’s breath, there’s hope.”

Section 5: Presentations



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TCOOMMI

Texas Correctional Office on Offenders with Medical or Mental Impairments

*April Zamora, Director
TDCJ/Reentry & Integration Division - TCOOMMI*

Mission Statement

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To provide a formal structure of criminal justice, health and human service and other affected organizations to communicate and coordinate on policy, legislative, and programmatic issues affecting offenders with special needs*

* Special needs include clients with serious, chronic and pervasive mental illnesses, intellectual disability, terminal or serious medical conditions, physical disabilities and those who are elderly.

TCOOMMI at a Glance

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- ▶ Established in 1987.
- ▶ Enabled by Health and Safety Code, Chapter 614.
- ▶ Addresses all aspects of the criminal justice continuum:
 - ▶ Juvenile Continuity of Care;
 - ▶ Adult Continuity of Care;
 - ▶ Probation Case Management;
 - ▶ Parole Case Management;
 - ▶ Mental Health Diversion and Court Resource; and
 - ▶ Dual Diagnosis Residential Programs

Role of TCOOMMI

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- ▶ The Reentry and Integration Division (RID) is a division established by TDCJ.
 - ▶ RID is a combined effort of both the Reentry Program and Texas Correctional Office on Offenders with Medical or Mental Impairments (TCOOMMI) Program.
- ▶ TCOOMMI provides pre-release screening and referral to aftercare treatment services for special needs offenders referred from the Correctional Institutions Division (CID), SAFFP, local jails, or other referral sources.
- ▶ TCOOMMI monitors, coordinates, and implements a continuity of care system for offenders with special needs.

Qualifying Diagnosis

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- ▶ Bipolar Disorder
- ▶ Major Depressive Disorder (MDD)
- ▶ Schizophrenia
 - ▶ Schizoaffective Disorder
- ▶ Psychotic Disorder
- ▶ HB1908 - effective 9/1/2015 – PTSD, Anxiety Disorder, Delusional Disorder and any other mental health diagnoses that are severe or persistent in nature.

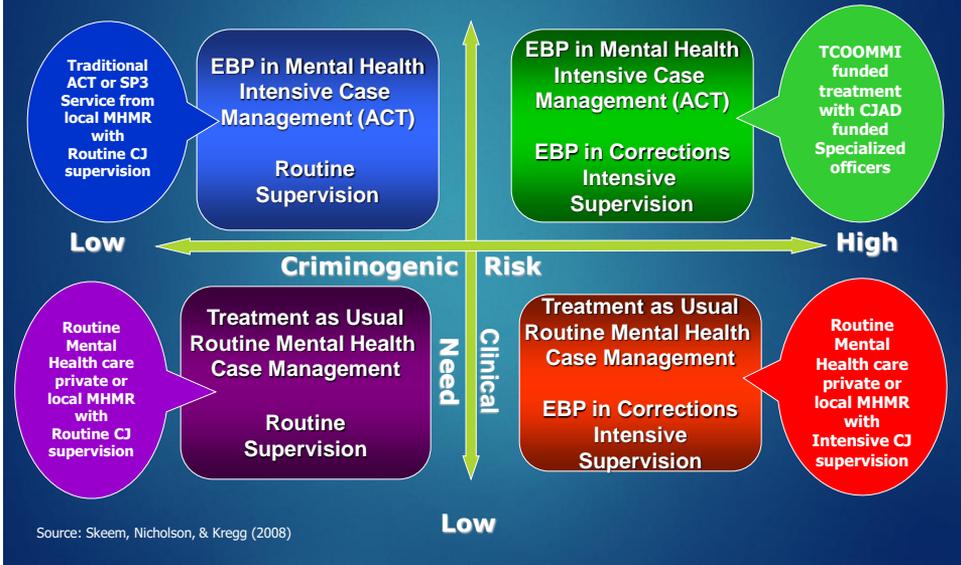
TCOOMMI Service Model

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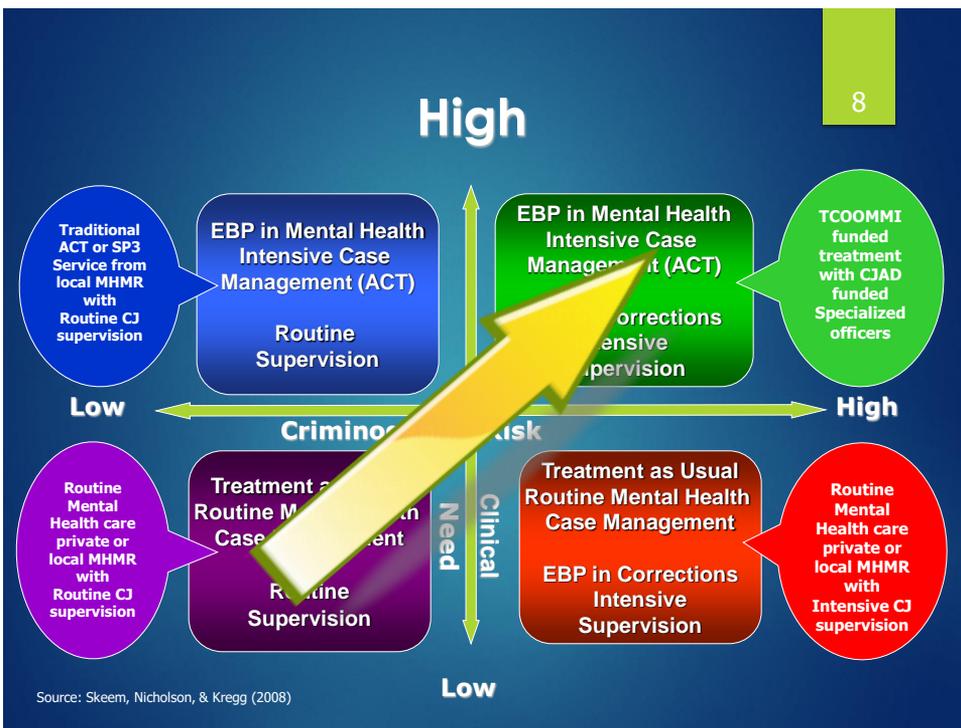
In 2008, TCOOMMI implemented research informed case management processes which include:

- ▶ Treatment Teams/Team Based Services.
- ▶ Psychosocial Rehabilitation services/Rehabilitation is a key element.
- ▶ Support services through Intensive Case Management (ICM).
- ▶ Community based contacts and resources.
- ▶ Intensive outreach and engagement.
- ▶ Smaller more manageable caseload sizes.
- ▶ Criminal Justice focused case managers.
- ▶ Partnership with the Criminal Justice community.
- ▶ A main program goal is to prevent re-arrest and/or re-incarceration.
- ▶ Intensive Case Management targets the most in need clients:
 - ▶ High to High/Moderate Criminal Justice Risk (based on Risk Needs Scores)
 - ▶ High Clinical Need

High



High



TCOOMMI Model

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“Over serving low risk offenders can lead to treatment failure, poor compliance with supervision and recidivism” – J. Skeem

Section 614.013 Health and Safety Code

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Memorandum of Understanding

In accordance with Health and Safety Code Section 614.013, TDCJ entered into a formal agreement, also known as a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), with the Department of State Health Services (DSHS), the Department of Public Safety (DPS), LMHAs, and Community Supervision and Corrections Department (CSCD), to institute a continuity of care and service program for offenders with mental impairments in the criminal justice system.

Section 614.017, Health and Safety Code

614.017 Exchange of Information states...

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An agency shall:

- 1) receive information relating to a special needs offender regardless of whether other state law makes that information confidential, if the agency receives the information to further the purposes of this chapter; or
- 2) disclose information relating to a special needs offender, including information about the offender's identity, needs, treatment, social, criminal, and vocational history, supervision status and compliance with conditions of supervision, and medical and mental health history, if the agency discloses the information to further the purposes of this chapter.

FY 2020/2021 Biennium Funding \$55,172,545

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Why Community-Based Programs Work

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- ▶ Joint staffing between local and state criminal justice agencies (Jail, CSCD or Parole), the local mental health authority and other treatment providers as well as juvenile justice when appropriate;
- ▶ Cross-training (courts, supervising agencies, treatment providers);
- ▶ Co-location of staff to improve coordination and communication regarding services for clients;
- ▶ Identification and referral process; and
- ▶ Sharing of relevant information (HSC 614.017)

Case Management

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- ▶ Intensive Case Management (ICM)
 - 3.5 hours of comprehensive team oriented services.
 - Focusing on Moderate High Criminogenic risk/High clinical need clients.
 - Caseload ratio of 25-1 for the local treatment authority.
 - Utilizes the Texas Resiliency and Recovery (TRR) measure as well as the parole or probation risk measures to identify **High risk/High clinical need**.
- ▶ Transitional Case Management (TCM)
 - 1.5 hours of transition/step down oriented services.
 - Focusing on Moderate Risk/Moderate clinical need clients.
 - Caseload ratio 75-1 for the local treatment authority.
 - Also, Utilizes the new Texas Resiliency and Recovery (TRR) measure as well as the parole or probation risk measures to identify **Moderate Risk/Moderate clinical need**.

Demonstrate more appropriate and cost-effective alternatives to incarceration.



Showing Results

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Recidivism

Offenders with Special Needs Re-incarceration Rate



Showing Results

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Total Admissions to Case Management



86th Legislative Session: Impact

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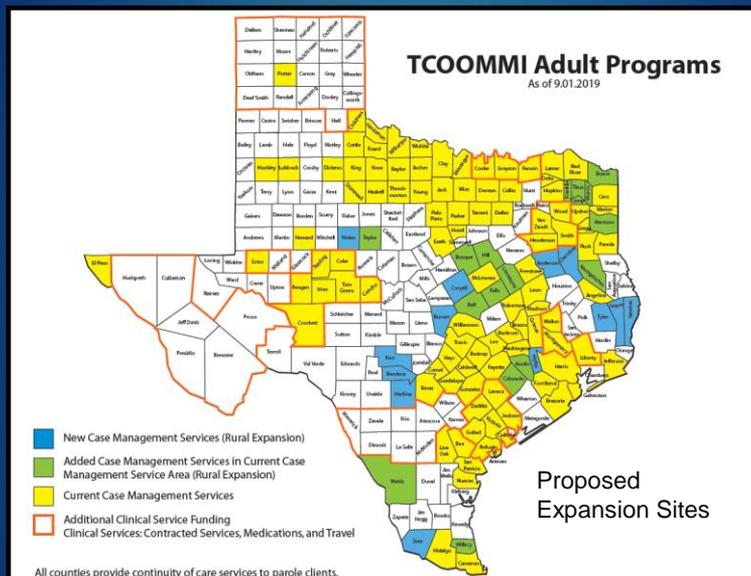


TCOOMMI Programs Expansion

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- ▶ TCOOMMI Expansion – Mental Health Caseloads in Rural Areas
 - ▶ \$4,775,000 - biennium
 - ▶ Serving probationers and parolees
 - ▶ High criminogenic risk and clinical care needs
 - ▶ Colocation required
 - ▶ Reduced caseload sizes
 - ▶ 19 additional caseloads

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Discharge Planning with Special Needs Cases

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- ▶ Continuity of Care – System Impact
 - ▶ SB 562, 86th Legislative Session
 - ▶ PEN Packet Changes → Requiring county jails to provide any mental health records, screening reports, or similar information regarding the offender's mental health upon transfer to TDCJ.

Pen Packet Mental Health Information

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- ▶ Psychological/Psychiatric Evaluation;
- ▶ Screening Form for Suicide and Medical/Mental/Developmental Impairments;
- ▶ Collection of Information Form for Mental Illness and Intellectual Disability TCCP Article 16.22;
- ▶ Crisis screenings and assessments performed by medical staff, contractors, and/or local mental health authority staff;
- ▶ Hospitalization records and associated discharge records as a result of mental illness;
- ▶ Competency restoration information to include inpatient, outpatient, or jail based; and
- ▶ Records concerning mental health treatment and/or recent psychotropic medication administration logs.



House Bill 601

86th Legislative Session

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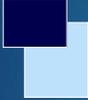
- ▶ History: SB 1326, 85th Legislative Session
 - ▶ On a determination of reasonable cause to believe a defendant has a mental illness or having an intellectual disability → Magistrate shall order the collection of information regarding mental illness or intellectual disability and if applicable, information obtained from any previous **assessment** of the defendant and information regarding any previously recommended treatment on the form approved by TCOOMMI.
 - ▶ Assessment Clarification
- ▶ HB 601
 - ▶ Removal of "Assessment" → "Written Report"
 - ▶ Adds interview to the process of collection of information for purposes of a written report.
 - ▶ In person in the jail
 - ▶ By telephone
 - ▶ Telemedicine medical service or telehealth service

Where Do We Go From Here?

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- Policy Considerations
- Lessons Learned
- Applicability to Other States/Jurisdictions





Thank You



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