

PATH4Services Court



*Superior Court of California
County of Santa Clara*

Beyond the Bench 23
December 2, 2015

Purpose

- A multi-agency collaborative approach to provide coordinated services for co-occurring juvenile offenders
 - Court
 - DA
 - Defense attorney
 - Probation
 - Behavioral Health
 - CB organizations



Juvenile Court History





- Juvenile Drug Treatment Court
- Juvenile Mental health Treatment Court(CITA)

Dual Diagnosed Youth

- Substance abuse disorders
 - Counseling
 - Detox or residential
- Mental Health diagnosis
 - Assessment
 - Hospitalization
 - Medication

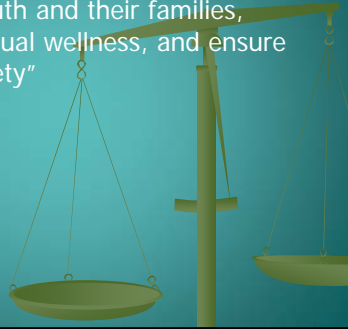
Coordination of Services

- Assessment
- Treatment services
- Recovery Support
- Integrated Community services



Goals

"To empower youth and their families, promote individual wellness, and ensure community safety"



Evidence Based Practices

- Cognitive-Behavioral Therapy
- Motivational interviewing
- Seven Challenges Program
- Mentor Program
- Multidisciplinary team



Eligibility Criteria

- Legal Criteria
 - At least 14
 - Sustained 602 petition (usually not 707b,273.5 or 243e)
 - Usually not drug sales case
 - No felony sex offense history
- Clinical Criteria

A pattern of substance use that appears to be contributing to delinquency and/or

 - A diagnosis of a mental health disorder (brain condition with a genetic component)
 - Major depression
 - Bipolar disorder
 - Schizophrenia
 - Severe mood or anxiety disorder
 - ADHD

■ Screened Youth Jan-Nov 2015

- 57 INTERVIEWED
- 27 ACCEPTED

Not accepted reasons:

- Not interested
- Lack of Family support
- Received new petition
- Higher need level
- Left county



Process

Probation interview

- Suitability
- Juvenile's and family interest
- Releases

Clinical Assessment

- Referral to Chemical Dependency Counselor
- Treatment recommendation

Screening Committee

- DA
- Public Defender, Alternate Defender
- Probation
- Behavioral Health
- Coordinator



• Dispositional Report

- Coordinator prepares report
- Informs implementation team of acceptance and terms of recommended treatment
 - Resources identified and matched with needs



• Dispositional Court Hearing

- Court action
 - 6 months to 1 year
 - Probation officer assigned
 - Court review dates set



Four Phases

- Phase one—weekly
- Phase two--bi-weekly
- Phase three—tri-weekly
- Phase four--monthly

- Graduation

Results 2015

- 31 juveniles
- 19 successful graduates
- 5 re-arrests
