



Jail Diversion: Sioux Rivers MHDS Region Programming

Concept: To assist individuals with Mental Health concerns who find them in contact with Law Enforcement in obtaining services necessary to divert them from incarceration and/or recidivism with Law Enforcement agencies.

Partners: Regional Law Enforcement, CMHC/CCBHC Programs, Mental Health Outpatient Programs

Jail Diversion Trainings: Highly recommended that law enforcement attend CIT training sponsored and supported by SR region.

Eligibility for Jail Diversion Services:

- Age 18 or older
- Meets eligibility criteria for regional services based upon SR Management Plan
- Minimum of 30 days incarcerated.
- Individual's Legal: low -level offense, first time offense, misdemeanor, non-violent offenses (some exceptions if agreed upon by SR regional CEO and diversion providers)
- Individual is not on a federal hold.

Workflow

Individual currently incarcerated and has an identified MH concern with following criteria being met:

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Law Enforcement representative contacts Service Coordinator to authorize jail diversion services. (This is not medication management with Flow State. That is a different purpose and workflow)



Service Coordinator:

- Ensure Regional Application is completed, and individual is eligible for services.
- Ensure ROIs are signed to jail and MH provider.
- Contacts MH provider and works to set up evaluation/on-going services.
- Authorizes outpatient MH services and send Notice of Decision to Jail (same as Flow State)
- Contact and Send Notice of Decision to MH provider to ensure payment of services for authorized sessions.



Law Enforcement:

- Contact MH Provider to set up outpatient MH evaluation/therapy based upon regional authorization within one week of referral.



Outpatient MH Provider:

- Works with Law Enforcement to set up outpatient MH evaluation/therapy as authorized and within one week of referral.
- Preference to be seen within the same two weeks of referral due to possible short timeframe.
- Coordinates with Regional Service Coordinator if additional sessions are needed. Works on funding resources post incarceration.

Released from Jail:

- Law Enforcement/MH Therapist inform Service Coordinator
- Service Coordinator continues to follow individual for 6 months working with PO/Parole if applicable.
- Individual continues with MH Outpatient Services- Possible on-going financial support for sessions depending on insurance would need continued authorization on a monthly basis- need to follow through or no authorization continues.