

DOC and ADAP MAT Demonstration Project per Act 195 Section 12

Report to Corrections Oversight Committee

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ADAP and DOC have been meeting and communicating regarding the Demonstration Project and the MOUs

DOC and ADAP met with members of the MAT(methadone and buprenorphine) Work Group on 9/2/14- all former members were invited; in attendance were Dr. Dee, Dr. Ettlinger, Kim Bushey, Barbara Cimaglio, Tony Folland and Seth Lipschutz. Mike Touchette was unable to attend due to a scheduling conflict. Tom Dalton was invited but did not receive the invitation due to a faulty email address (this has been remedied) Dr. Brooklyn was unable to attend due to a scheduling conflict, but sent his regrets (we will try to work with his schedule for future meetings). Tom Dalton was briefed on the WG meeting by Dr. Dee.

Next WG Meeting: TBD but no later than week of 9/15

WG next steps and findings:

Implementation- begin the project within the first week of October; duration of Project Phase I to extend for one (1) year September of 2015. During the Summer of 2015 the Work Group will coordinate and develop a written **report and recommendations** for either a Phase II plan, system-wide roll-out or other, to COC. Additionally a report will be provided to House Committees- Judiciary, Human Services, Corrections and Institutions and Senate Health and Welfare and Judiciary prior to or on January 15, 2015 which will contain such *data* points as may be available at that time.

Sites – NWCF and CCCF both are within the Howard Center Hub region

- ✓ Facilities Executive Mike Touchette and Dr. Ettlinger will be meeting with leadership (security, medical and other stakeholders) of the two sites to develop any site protocols needed, answer questions and to address any concerns
- ✓ Mike Touchette will inform/update all Superintendents regarding to the Demonstration project
- ✓ Dr. Ettlinger will inform/update all CCS Regional Office managers regarding the project

Length of time for extension of MAT from current 30 day limit during incarceration to maximum of 90 days for both detainees and sentenced groups

Interim Revision Memo for Directive 363.01 will state 90 days for these two sites during the term of the Pilot Project; and 30 for all others; persons transferring to an expansion site from a traditional site if within the 30 days will continue to the maximum number of days unless reason for termination and taper.

MOU between DOC/CCS and Hub providers is in the final stages of review by the Hubs following which DOC and ADAP will review as a final draft and then request signature from all Hubs. This will markedly improve continuity and consistency of treatment for individuals entering corrections and for those being released to follow up with their previous OTP. DOC/CCS have recently renewed the MOU as a contingency should the new MOU not be in effect by Oct 1.

Data collection and report- Trudee Ettlinger PhD has developed a study protocol which will involve the monitoring and tracking of all inmate/patients entering and eligible for continued treatment for the purpose of ensuring that treatment is continued according to the protocol but also to collect important outcome data. We will be tracking several data points including but not limited to;

- **Number of persons treated-**
- **Gender of persons treated**
- **Place of residence-county**
- **Place of Hub treatment program**
- **Number of persons continuing treatment following incarceration**
- **Urine Drug Screen (UDS) results on entry**
- **Number of persons in whom treatment was discontinued and reason for discontinuation**

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- Number of persons returning to their OTP following release (Hubs will be asked to track this number and report to DOC)
- Charges related to substance abuse of all individuals entering on MAT-
- Re-incarceration with charges related to substance abuse
- Participation of MAT recipient in DOC mandatory risk reduction Program(s)
- Participation in DOC/CCS strength based psycho-educational support groups
- Budget implications for DOC- transportation and staff costs

Naloxone (Act 195 Section 12 (f))

DOC has met with Mike Leyden EMS for VDH and coordinator for the Naloxone initiative

Outcome- DOC was given educational brochures for its use which can be given to inmates and staff to inform them about naloxone for prevention of death due to drug overdose

Next steps

- Mike will continue to advise and support DOC as we develop our program.
- Tom Dalton has offered to assist in patient and or staff education on use of naloxone and training of staff
- Dr. Ettlinger has found a 18 minute peer video which can be shown to inmates by Health staff or as we are considering via closed circuit TV at sites
- Next steps-
 - ✓ determine a start date- target is in conjunction with MAT Pilot-
 - ✓ determine target group within statutory mandate
 - ✓ develop a budget- anticipated costs if through VDH \$40.00/dose and will need to estimate total number of releasees per month who should receive training and kits