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ADULT REDEPLOY ILLINOIS OVERSIGHT BOARD REGULAR MEETING

Monday, November 13, 2017, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Thompson Center, Room 2-025, 100 W. Randolph, Chicago Stratton Building, Room 621, 401 S. Spring, Springfield

Welcome and Introductions

Chair Khari Hunt welcomed members and guests to the quarterly Adult Redeploy Illinois Oversight Board (ARIOB) meeting. Chair Hunt called the meeting to order at 1:34 p.m. and asked ARI Program Director Mary Ann Dyar to call the roll.

ARI Oversight Board Member Attendance	Present	Telephone	Absent
John Baldwin, Acting Director, IDOC			X
Walter Boyd, Community Representative			X
Lori Roper, designee for Amy Campanelli, Cook County Public	X		
Defender			
Jason Chambers, McLean County State's Attorney	X		
Emily Cole, designee for Kim Foxx, Cook County State's Attorney	X		
Khari Hunt designee for James T. Dimas, Secretary, IDHS	X		
Craig Findley, Chairman, PRB	X		
Lavone Haywood, Chief Probation Officer, Adult Probation			X
Department, Circuit Court of Cook County			
Mark Ishaug, Chief Executive Officer, Thresholds	X		
John Maki, Executive Director, ICJIA	X		
Angelique Orr, Director, PSI Correspondence	X		
Jim Chadd, designee for Michael Pelletier, Illinois State Appellate	X		
Defender			
Hon. James M. Radcliffe (Ret.), Associate Director, Lawyers	X		
Assistance Program			
Kathy Saltmarsh, Executive Director, SPAC	X		
Kathy Starkovich, Deputy Director – Probation, 18th Judicial Circuit,	X		
DuPage County			
Brent Stratton, Chief Deputy Attorney General, Office of the			X
Attorney General			
Michael Torchia, Director, Sangamon County Court Services	X		
Department			

Also present were:

Dr. Megan Alderden, ICJIA Research Director

Lisa Castillo, ICJIA Associate General Counsel

Kimberly Chorney, Resource & Treatment Coordinator, Office of the Cook County Chief Judge

Mary Ann Dyar, ARI Program Director

Lindsey LaPointe, BPI Senior Project Manager for Justice Reform

Dr. Lynne Mock, ARI Research Director

Adriana Perez, ARI Program Manager

Katie Pieper, Problem Solving Courts Project Manager, Office of the Cook County Chief Judge

Laura Scherkenbach, ARI Policy & Project Coordinator

Khyrah Simpson, ARI Intern

Nate Inglis Steinfeld, SPAC Research Director

Hon. Thomas R. Sumner (Ret.), ARI Technical Assistance Provider

Angie Weis, ICJIA General Counsel and Chief of Staff

Jennifer Coleman, Cook County States Attorney's Office Narcotics Bureau Chief

LaKanya Davis, ICJIA Intern

Matt Kindler, Illinois Center of Excellence Assistant Director (Telephone)

Bridget Kiely, TASC Administrator (Telephone)

Paula Wolff, Illinois Justice Project Director

Chair Hunt reviewed the three goals of the Oversight Board meeting:

- 1. Review progress by Cook County's HOPE program in its corrective action plan (CAP) process. (Vote on action as it relates to the CAP and the SFY18 funding contingency, if applicable).
- 2. Vote on funding recommendations from the Site Selection & Monitoring Committee for planning/implementation grants for new sites and supplemental funding awards for existing sites.
- 3. Review SFY17 year-end data, with a presentation from the ARI Research Manager.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Motion: Mr. Findley moved to approve the minutes from the ARIOB regular meeting from August 14, 2017. Ms. Starkovich seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Program Director and Committee Reports

Ms. Dyar highlighted activities from the last quarter (July – September 2017), referencing the Program Director report in the meeting materials. She noted that data were collected from 20 sites (39 counties) in operation during the first quarter of SFY18, July 1-September 30, 2017. Sites reported serving a total of 1,309 people last quarter, including 171 new enrollments, she said. She reported of those served, 75 successfully exited the program and 70 unsuccessfully exited the program, of which 43 were sent to the Illinois Department of Corrections (IDOC), for a total diverted of 1,266 people. These diversions represent an estimated \$5.9 million of cost avoidance to the state for the quarter, she said, adding the numbers are subject to database verification. Ms. Dyar also shared that current ARI sites had not yet received first payments of SFY18 funds due to a backlog in the Comptroller's Office and noted the payment delay of 3.5 months will have an undetermined impact on site activity.

Ms. Dyar said a second grant monitor will join ARI and that they are formalizing the contractual policy and project coordinator position. Ms. Dyar introduced new ARI intern Khyrah Simpson, a University of Chicago's School of Social Service Administration student who assisted with the Smart Decarceration Initiative 2nd National Conference, attended by ARI staff. ARI staff also attended the ICJIA Opioid Conference in November 2017.

Ms. Dyar reported on a survey about sites' use of pleas, fees, and fines and on efforts to inform sites about new legislation that expands criminal records sealing eligibility. She noted that Cabrini Green Legal Aid presented on the topic of records relief at the recent All-Sites Summit.

Ms. Saltmarsh reported that the Outreach, Technical Assistance & Communication Committee met by telephone (no voting) on August 24, 2017, to discuss supporting technical assistance for Cook HOPE and other sites with corrective action plans (CAP).

Ms. Orr provided an update on the Site Selection & Monitoring Committee which met on November 8, 2017, to develop funding recommendations based on responses to two funding opportunities offering up to \$1 million: new planning and implementation grants and supplemental grants for existing sites.

Mr. Steinfeld provided an update on the Performance Measurement Committee, which met November 7, 2017 to discuss the Cook HOPE program CAP.

Discussion of and Vote on Corrective Action Plan

Ms. Dyar and Mr. Steinfeld presented a Cook HOPE CAP status report to address concerns with fidelity to evidence-based practices, procedural justice, and teamwork/collaboration. This is the second CAP for Cook HOPE; the first required increasing risk levels of participants served by the program, he said.

Ms. Dyar reported that following the August ARIOB meeting, a letter was sent to Chief Judge Timothy Evans notifying him of the deadline of November 1, 2017, for the finalization and substantial implementation of the policies and procedures manual (PPM) in the CAP. The deadline was met, she said, and ARI reviewed assessment and sanctions/incentives data to monitor implementation of the PPM. Ms. Dyar acknowledged the hard work of Cook HOPE staff which led to this progress, but noted ongoing concerns with judicial leadership and collaboration with the team.

Ms. Dyar reported that the Performance Measurement Committee agreed to let the CAP expire in February 2018 under continued monitoring of PPM implementation. She said ARI anticipates continued funding through June 30, 2018, but not into the next fiscal year (SFY19) unless the core administrative issues are addressed. ARI's technical assistance providers, Judge Radcliffe and Judge Sumner, reported on concerns with the program's judicial leadership and the population served. Ms. Cole said the state's attorney's office fully supports the Cook HOPE program and its high-risk, low-need population, which is not served by other diversion programs.

Ms. Orr asked about the demographics of the population served and for clarification on what happens after the CAP concludes. Ms. Dyar explained the CAP will expire in February and funding is expected to continue until the end of the fiscal year; thereafter, funding decisions will be subject to a competitive process. Mr. Maki said the mandated competitive funding process will help evaluate a program's past performance and other qualitative data related to institutional leadership and culture. Ms. Roper urged the Oversight Board to consider the needs of the participants currently receiving services.

Ms. Perez explained that the Grants Accountability and Transparency Act mandates a competitive notice of funding opportunity process, which allows for two years of subsequent funding based on program performance. Ms. Weis noted that if funding were discontinued through this process, notice would be provided. Ms. Cole noted the importance of a transition plan.

Board members discussed the review and selection process of the future funding opportunity. Ms. Weis explained the Board will have a role in approving funding recommendations based on scores provided by reviewers, including grant and research staff. She said ARI staff will have a more distant role to avoid conflict. Ms. Wolff expressed concerns about aligning the new review process with the Crime Reduction Act, ARI's enabling statute, and suggested that individuals with a comprehensive understanding of ARI be involved in the process and ensure that the funding process is designed intentionally and strategically.

Discussion of and Vote on Funding Recommendations

Ms. Dyar reported that, based on a SFY18 appropriation of \$8.2 million, with approximately \$6.2 million for renewal grants to 20 sites and about \$1 million for administrative expenses (including an external evaluation), \$1 million was available through the end of the fiscal year to bring on new sites that had completed the planning process, offer planning grants to other interested jurisdictions, and provide supplemental funding to continuing sites. Funding recommendations were made for up to \$758,438 subject to fiscal and legal review for allowability, reasonableness, and necessity, and were for a funding period of January 1, 2018, to June 30, 2018.

Motion: Ms. Cole moved to approve the following planning grant funding recommendations totaling up to \$36,190:

- LaSalle County for up to \$22,975
- McHenry County for up to \$13,215

Mr. Maki seconded. The motion passed by unanimous vote with a recusal by Ms. Starkovich.

Motion: Mr. Findley moved to approve the following implementation grant funding recommendations totaling up to \$543,989, subject to contingencies identified in prior reviews of the local plans:

- 4th Judicial Circuit for up to \$56,555
- Perry/Washington Counties (in the 20th Judicial Circuit) for up to \$86,623
- Adams County for up to \$257,319
- LaSalle County for up to \$118,354
- Sangamon County for up to \$25,138

Mr. Ishaug seconded the motion. The motion passed by a unanimous vote with a recusal by Mr. Torchia.

Motion: Mr. Ishaug moved to approve the following funding recommendations for five supplemental funding awards totaling up to \$178,259:

- 20th Judicial Circuit for up to \$9,665
- Boone County for up to \$3,600
- DuPage County for up to \$16,056
- Sangamon County for up to \$61,800
- Will County for up to \$87,138

Mr. Findley seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote with recusals my Ms. Starkovich and Mr. Torchia.

Ms. Dyar noted the possibility of releasing another supplemental funding opportunity or exploring investments that will benefit the entire network with remaining funds.

Presentation of SFY17 Data

Dr. Mock reported on high-level performance metrics for the sites. These metrics encompass reduction goals, the target population, as well as completeness and timeliness of data. She said according to the review of new enrollments, 7 of 22 sites met reduction goals and added the result may be due to the budget impasse. Ms. Dyar noted the totals were based only on new enrollments and did not include active/currently served participants, which had been traditionally counted toward the goal, and did not

account for program capacity issues. Dr. Mock reported that 14 of 22 sites targeted the appropriate number of high/medium risk clients; however, missing data requires follow-up; 14 of 22 sites met the completeness measure, defined as at least 80 percent of the data measures requested; and 12 of 22 sites submitted timely data. Dr. Mock explained these data are meant to strengthen the feedback loop to sites; to be a useful and informative tool for sites to examine their progress and change over time. Dr. Alderden recommended further clarification on past and current definitions.

Dr. Mock reported an ARI program enrollment increase during the first three quarters of 2017, primarily due to increased enrollments in intensive supervision probation with services (ISP-S) programs. She said most clients were male and white with an average age at time of enrollment of 35 years. The number of clients served during SFY17 was down from prior years, she said. In addition, she noted the percentage of individuals who exited successfully in SFY17 was similar to that reported in prior years, at approximately 40 percent. A variation was seen in successful exit rates by program type she said.

Mr. Ishaug requested clarification about the emerging adult population within the Cook HOPE program. Dr. Mock explained that a more detailed analysis can be done looking at age distribution. Ms. Orr asked if any ARI sites reduced or altered services over the years. Ms. Dyar responded that during the budget impasse especially, those changes were tracked. Mr. Ishaug praised the usefulness of the dashboards and expressed surprise about the lack of timely data submissions. Dr. Mock explained that sites use different types of software, have different staffing for data submission, and other issues that contribute to submission delays. Dr. Alderden added the expectation of timely data from sites was not previously explicitly stated.

Dr. Alderden spoke of the need to update the antiquated data collection process. Chair Hunt encouraged contacting the state's Department of Innovation and Technology for input. He also expressed interest in learning more about the variation in exit rates. Ms. Starkovich mentioned the importance of standardizing operational definitions across the network, especially for successful/unsuccessful exits. Ms. Saltmarsh asked about the possibility to track re-arrest and IDOC admission information for participants who have exited successfully and unsuccessfully. Dr. Mock said with a careful time frame, it may be possible. Ms. Dyar added ARI may expand its operational definition of recidivism to include re-arrest, reconviction, and return to IDOC. Dr. Alderden said that definition expansion would include a research project to fully understand program level activities and changes in recidivism numbers; however, such a project would be difficult with limited staff resources currently consumed with data collection and management. Dr. Mock noted how cooperative sites are in providing data. Ms. Dyar encouraged members to submit research questions and noted interest in looking at racial equity.

Strategic Plan Update

Ms. Dyar briefly described efforts to integrate strategic plan goals and objectives in different aspects of operations, including at the committee level. She highlighted progress in developing an evidence-based practice inventory and planning an external evaluation.

Old/New Business

There was no old business. In new business, ARI staff proposed tentative meeting dates for 2018.

Adjournment

Motion: Mr. Maki moved to adjourn the meeting at 3:40 p.m. Ms. Orr seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

(Approved 2/20/18)