

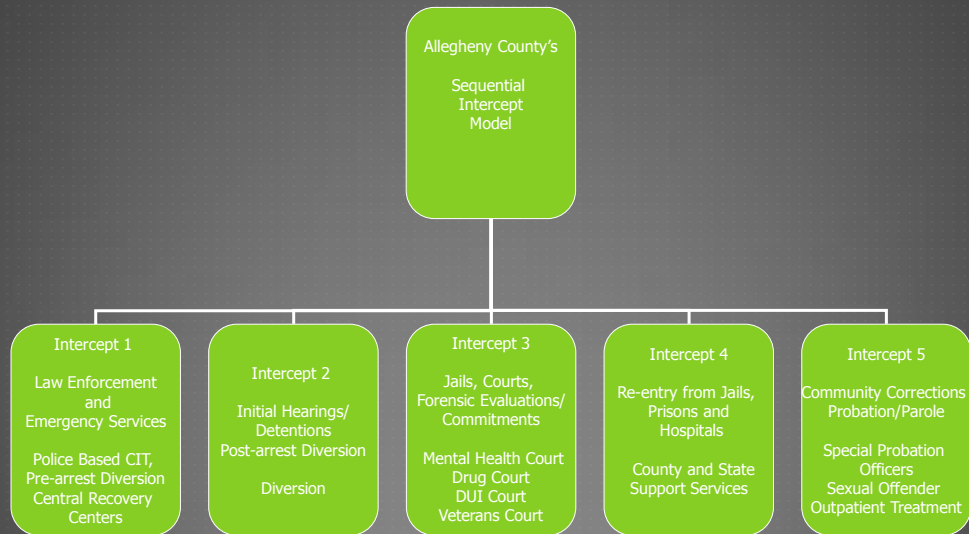
# UTILIZING THE SEQUENTIAL INTERCEPT MODEL - IMPROVING OUTCOMES OF THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE POPULATION

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## GETTING TO KNOW YOU...

## ALLEGHENY COUNTY'S JUSTICE-RELATED SERVICES FOR INDIVIDUALS BASED ON THE SEQUENTIAL INTERCEPT MODEL



ALLEGHENY COUNTY OFFICE OF BEHAVIORAL  
HEALTH JUSTICE RELATED SERVICES

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## JUSTICE RELATED SERVICES

DEVELOPED IN THE 1980'S AS ALLEGHENY COUNTY FORENSIC SERVICES

- ▶ Support for men and women with
  - ▶ mental illness and/or
  - ▶ substance use disorders and
  - ▶ who are involved with the criminal justice system
- ▶ is provided
  - ▶ during and following court proceedings
  - ▶ during and following incarceration
- ▶ to promote successful transition back into the community and reduce the likelihood of returning to incarceration by providing access to
  - ▶ treatment
  - ▶ supports
  - ▶ recovery-oriented programs

## CREATION OF SPECIALTY COURTS

### ▶ Mental Health Court

- ▶ Established in 2001 as a collaboration between the Allegheny County Department of Human Services Office of Behavioral Health and the Offices of the Court of Common Pleas, District Attorney, Public Defender, and Adult Probation.
- ▶ Designed to promote community-based mental health treatment in lieu of incarceration for persons with mental illness who have been charged with a misdemeanor and/or non-violent felony in Allegheny County.

### ▶ Drug Court

- ▶ Established in 1998. Candidates are identified by the District Attorney's office or may be referred by their defense attorney to the DA's office. They are screened by Adult Probation for eligibility of Intermediate Punishment.
- ▶ Designed to engage users of illegal drugs who are involved in the criminal justice system (level 3 or 4 offenders) in an intensive drug treatment program as an alternative to incarceration to help them become drug-free and return to a productive lifestyle.

## CREATION OF SPECIALTY COURTS

### ▶ DUI Court

- ▶ Established in 2005. Candidates are identified by the District Attorney's office or may be referred by their defense attorney to the DA's office. They are screened by Adult Probation for eligibility of Intermediate Punishment.
- ▶ Designed to engage users of alcohol and illegal drugs who are involved in the criminal justice system in an intensive drug treatment program as an alternative to incarceration. Participants have been charged with their third DUI in a 10 year time period.

### ▶ Support

- ▶ Established in 1998.
- ▶ Helps persons with mental illness who are involved with the criminal justice system take advantage of all services available to them in the most effective way. Eligible individuals are referred from either the behavioral health or criminal justice system.

## HISTORY OF CROMISA

- ▶ Original Target Population
- ▶ Provider
- ▶ Locations
- ▶ Treatment Model
- ▶ Closure

THERAPEUTIC COMMUNITY MODEL

RECOVERY ORIENTED SYSTEM OF CARE

# CAPITALIZING ON A RECOVERY ENVIRONMENT

## CORE

## JRS AND CORE – COMMON GOALS

- ▶ Reducing Recidivism
- ▶ Staying in Treatment
- ▶ Addressing Mental Health Recovery in conjunction with Drug and Alcohol Recovery
- ▶ Life Skills
- ▶ Independence

## ALL JUSTICE-RELATED SERVICES INCLUDE:

- ▶ **Assessment and treatment plan**
- ▶ **Service Planning/Written Service Plan Presented to the Court**
- ▶ **Service Coordination referrals**
- ▶ **Housing Options**
- ▶ **Referrals for Treatment and other supports**
- ▶ **Contingency Funds for: Housing Support, Clothes, Transportation, State ID, Vital Records, Initial Court cost**
- ▶ **Assistance with reinstatement or obtaining Medicaid and SSI Benefits**
- ▶ **24 Hour availability of Justice-Related Services Team for Crises**
- ▶ **Follow-up and Monitoring in the Community**

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## IDENTIFYING ROLES

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## CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES

## CASE STUDY

- ▶ Referral – “Typical” individual
- ▶ Intake and Engagement
- ▶ Interaction with Specialty Courts and Probation/Parole
- ▶ Communication and Troubleshooting
- ▶ Transition to Community Services
- ▶ Follow up

## OUTCOMES



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