

MENTAL HEALTH MANAGEMENT UNIT

Sedgwick County Sheriff's Office
Sedgwick County Adult Detention Facility

HISTORY

How it all started

- **Deputy's Report by Captain Jared Schechter - 2008**
- **Sheriff Robert Hinshaw proposed to County Commissioners - 2009**
 - **Projected to take approximately 4 to 5 years**
 - **Primary issue was funding**
- **Sheriff Jeff Easter elected – 2012**
- **CIT Training Detention Specific 2013**
- **Pod 2 was converted for use - 2014**





PURPOSE

Consistent inmate behavior management

Increased structure for population of inmates living with mental illness

- **Psychotropic Medication Management**
- **Daily Activities**
- **Mental Health Support**
 - **Patient involved treatment planning**
 - **Resource support**
 - **Group Therapy**
 - **Counseling**
 - **Referrals**

PROCEDURES

Inmate Identification for placement

- Staff Referrals
- Self Referrals
- Booking medical screen and Mental Health Intake

Each candidate undergoes an assessment

- Chart Review
- Mental Status Exam
- Interview

Not a mental health facility

- Only for arrestees

PROCEDURES

Offenders are managed by sections

- Section B – Females
- Section C – Developmental Disorders, Neurocognitive Disorders
- Section D – More stable, but still vulnerable for general population placement
- Section E – Severe & Persistently in crisis and acutely symptomatic
- Section A is not utilized for Mental Health
 - Section A is a Juvenile section

PROCEDURES

Behavioral Levels

- Level 1 - Un-Racked, transition out of MHMU
- Level 2 - Un-Racked, 30 min checks, decreased coping skills
- Level 3 - Racked, all new offenders for 24 hours, marked behavior problems, seen daily by MH
- Level 4 - Suicide watch, 15 min checks, seen daily by MH
- Level 5 - Crisis

PROCEDURES

Section Programming

Each section receives

- Medication management
- Social skills development
- Basic self care
 - (if applicable)
- Coping skills development
- Program compliance
- Symptom management
- Managing Criminogenic Functioning
- Discharge Planning

DETENTION'S RESPONSIBILITIES

Staffed with 2 CIT Deputies, 24/7

- 2A Deputy- Rounds, talk to inmates, assist with mental health interviews, showers, cleaning
- 2B Deputy – Booth, intercoms, computer, phones, scheduling for court, clinic, mental health, visits

DETENTION'S RESPONSIBILITIES

- *Staff plays important role in operations*
 - Documenting inmate activities and behaviors
 - Maintaining safe environment
 - Promoting a calm environment
- Open communication with Mental Health staff
 - Report behaviors positive and/or negative
 - Remember the Deputies are not Mental Health Care Providers

DETENTION'S RESPONSIBILITIES

- Consistent use of Crisis Intervention Team trained skills
 - Conversations with the inmates
 - Utilize Behavior Management /De-escalation techniques
 - Manage Inmate behavior

DISCHARGE

- Multiple reasons for discharge
 - Reached “maximum benefit” of program
 - Refusal to participate in programming
 - Program removal due to inappropriate behavior
 - Discharge from facility to community
 - Transfer to other facility

CONCLUSION

Thank you for you time.

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