Continuing to Develop a Plan for Justice-Involved Individuals with Opioid Use Disorder
Category 4A is a planning grant that was awarded to LDH/OBH on September 2017 by the U.S. Dept. of Justice, Office of Justice Program (OJP), and Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA).

The targeted parishes of focus are:

- East Baton Rouge Parish
- Jefferson Parish
- Orleans Parish
- St. Tammany Parish
Primary Goals of the State Plan

1. Engage and retain justice involved individuals with opioid use disorders in treatment and recovery services

2. Increase the use of diversion/alternatives to incarceration (for example, Day Reporting Centers)

3. Reducing the incidence of Overdose deaths
Strategies to Address Top 4 Needs Already Identified

- Expand education and training to criminal justice and treatment practitioners.
- Increase access to transportation for OUD justice-involved individuals seeking treatment.
- Expand residential treatment beds for women and their children.
- Improve better access to recovery support services/treatment by hiring a case manager to go into the jails prior to release to help inmates apply for or reinstate Medicaid.
Expand Education and Training to Criminal Justice and Treatment Practitioners

- Quarterly MAT Trainings and Workshops provided by COAP
- Held at Bienville Building or at public building in East Baton Rouge area
- Very cost effective
- Evaluation
  - Sign In Sheet (Accountability)
  - Pre/Post Test
Increase Access to Transportation for OUD Justice Involved Individuals Seeking Treatment

- Lyft
- Uber
- Lifeline Behavioral Health System
Transportation: UBER

- HIPPA Compliant
- Using the new Uber Health dashboard, medical providers can coordinate pick-ups and drop-offs for their patients.
- When it’s time for a pickup, users are notified via text message (accessible on flip phones and iPhones alike) and given a link to track drivers on a map.
- For riders who don’t use mobile phones, there’s an analog version: Healthcare administrators can provide paper print-outs with passenger pick-up locations, driver license plate numbers and car models.
- The rides can be scheduled minutes before a meeting, or up to 30 days in advance; the costs will be covered by providers themselves.
Transportation: LYFT

- CareMore Health System’s (CA) collaboration with Lyft improves access to care, reduces both transportation cost and wait times by 30%.

- Individuals using the service are now waiting an average of just nine minutes to be taken to or from medical appointments.

- All our drivers have background checks and have the same qualifications a commercial (health care) driver would have, including CPR.

- There is no additional service fee for using this service. The cost of scheduling a ride through the dashboard is based on the time of the booking and is billed directly to the healthcare organization monthly.
Transportation: Lifeline Behavioral Health Systems

- Offers prescheduled Non-Secure and Secure/PEC Trips
- Additional charges for same day appointments, no shows, after hours trips, and cancelations
- Also, additional charges for wait time after 15 minutes and miles over 15
Transportation: UBER, LYFT, Lifetime BHS

Evaluation Plan

- Transport provider to submit Monthly Report to OBH/COAP Grant Program Monitor
- Include # of trips, destinations, mileage, timeliness, missed appointments, and cost
- Customer satisfactory survey after each trip and results provided to OBH
- Treatment providers would be asked to provide data on appointment compliance and treatment completion before and after implementation of new transportation contract
Expand Residential Treatment Beds for Women and Their Children

Reality House

- Provide additional residential tx beds for women who are justice involved with OUD and their child/children
- Est. cost $34,675 alone and $38,325 w/ child (year)
- Evaluation
  - Submit monthly reports to project monitor
  - Quarterly auditing regarding deliverables in the contract with provider
  - Client Evaluation of Self and Treatment (CEST) at intake, 6 months, and completion (inc means and norms for Offender Functioning)
Improve Better Access to Recovery Support Services/Treatment by Hiring a Case Manager to go into the Jails prior to Release to Help Inmates Apply for or Reinstate Medicaid

Enhancing CAHSD Behavioral Health Reentry Program

- A proposal is being developed by CAHSD regarding cost to sustain their re-entry program at the end of the Wilson Foundation grant. Funding to continue or enhance these services could be provided by contract between OBH and CAHSD.
Evaluation of Program

CAHSD to continue self monitoring process

- Submit monthly report to OBH/Grant Program Monitor regarding contract deliverables

- # of individuals enrolled/reinstated Medicaid

- # of individuals being referred to evidence based treatment upon release

- # of individuals who reenter parish jail

- Quarterly onsite visits by OBH
Website

http://ldh.la.gov/index.cfm/subhome/54