

Connecticut General Assembly

Police Transparency & Accountability Task Force

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c/o Judiciary Committee, Room 2500
Legislative Office Building
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Hartford, Ct 06106

Improving Police Interactions with The Disability Community Subcommittee

Minutes

Tuesday, April 6, 2021
11:00 a.m., via Zoom

Attendees: Jon Slifka (Chair), Andrew Clark, Lisa Tepper Bates, Chief Jack Drumm, Gretchen Knauff, Sarah D'Agostino (interpreter), Alvin Chege, Tanya Barrett, Annie Scully, Rayla Mattson, Meghan Peterson, Brian Foley, Doris Maldonado, Walter Glomb, Henri Mendoza, Makenzie Ozycz, Ken Barone,

- I.** Convene meeting and welcome
 - a. Chair Slifka convened the meeting at 11:05 am
- II.** Introduction of Members
 - a. Chair Slifka introduced members.
- III.** Review of Minutes from 3/2/21 Meeting
 - a. Minutes from 3/2/21 meeting were approved via voice note.
- IV.** Discussion:
 - a. Update: Social Worker Recommendation reports
Collaboration with a team out of Yale. Hope to have all materials done/preliminary report by April 20th.
 - b. Update: Sequential Intercept Model
Meghan Peterson responded that Sequential Intercept Model study is in process.
- V.** Presentation: United Way CT211
 - a. *Lisa Tepper Bates shared presentation on CT211 services provided by United Way. 2020 statistics we're shared, with healthcare being the top inquiry of the year due to*

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the Covid-19 pandemic. Callers with disabilities were discussed as they self-identified, the top inquiry for disability community was counseling. Disability benefits and cost of living in CT discussed.

- b. Tanya Barrett discussed 211 CT Specialized crisis intervention services. Statistics shared from 2020 included 33% of calls were crisis calls. ACTION line services discussed as well as the Youth Mobile Crisis Intervention Services.*
- c. Doris Maldonado asked what guidelines are in place for providers/schools/mandated reporters? Tanya Barrett responded that they provide services before families have to go to the next level of emergency medical personnel. Meghan Peterson asked if school resource officers from CT are trained in 211 resources. Tanya Barrett responded no, only through DCF. Lisa Tepper Bates followed up that they would like to provide trainings throughout the state. Rayla Mattson asked what the best way to reach 211 was. Tanya Barrett responded that if you can't dial 211 for any reason, they also have a 1-800 number. Gretchen Knauff asked if the 1-800 number worked for out of state callers. Tanya Barrett responded yes. Doris Maldonado inquired further on mandated trainings. Lisa Tepper Bates responded they are open to provide training to any of their providers, but they do not mandate it. Andrew Clark asked where 911 and 211 intersect. Lisa Tepper Bates responded that they are working to create a rubric on when to call 911 versus 211. Meghan Peterson asked if 211 has a public education campaign in the works. Lisa Tepper Bates responded that they have a pilot program in the works.*

VI. Announcement of time and date of next meeting

- a. April 20, 2021 11:30am (Informational session on Social Worker reports)
- b. May 4, 2021 11am

VII. Adjournment

- a. Meeting was adjourned at 12:17 pm.