Prevention Efforts (school or community-based) **Hanley Foundation**

Supports prevention programming, education, access to tx, and advocacy for SUD. Programming includes focus on alcohol and marijuana use, active parenting, teen parenting, and grandparent support groups

Botvin Life Skills Training

SUD prevention program Mental Health First Aid provided

by Meridian Trainings conducted in Dixie County for community members, practitioners, and

Dixie County Anti-Drug Coalition

professionals

Offers prevention programming for youth; \$1 million dollar grant in collaboration with Health Dept, Meridian, and Dixie Co Schools to address opioid use

Law Enforcement Program (Dixie Co Schools)

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Crisis Response

Mobile Response Team (MRT) operated by Meridian

- Serves 10 counties: available 24/7: serves youth and adults
- Operates 24-hour crisis line
- MRT is comprised of master's clinicians, care coordinators, peer specialists, and licensed clinician
- Clients can engage through walk-ins, telehealth, or on-site (home/school)
- At time of mapping served 46 unique clients (youth and adults)

Community Acton Team (CAT) operated by Meridian

- Multidisciplinary intensive outpatient treatment team serving Tri-County area (Dixie, Levy, Gilchrist)
- Serves youth age 11 and under who have involvement with DCF, JJ, LE, or prior CSU admission
- At time of mapping serving 33
- Average LOS 6-to-9 months

Services

Initial Contact:

911 Emergency Services

Law Enforcement

Dixie County Sheriff's Office

New leadership in DCSO; possibility for greater collaboration efforts

Cross City Police Department

(Law enforcement was not represented at SIM; therefore, limited data is presented in SIM report and map.)

Baker Act

Children's CSU operated by Meridian located in Alachua County

- Meridian operates two 10-bed CCSUs; one in Alachua Co and one in Columbia Co
- Dixie County youth are primarily transported to Alachua Co.
- Upon intake a screening is conducted, and youth meet with psychiatrist.
- Average length of stay is 72 hours
- There were 36 involuntary Baker Act examinations of Dixie County juveniles in 2018 (16.74% of all Dixie County exams).
- MRT conducts follow-up when youth are released from CCSU.

Marchman Act

Not discussed during the SIM.

If the youth requires medical stabilization, they will transport the youth to an emergency room until stabilized.

Pre-Arrest Diversion

Civil Citation

- Dixie County is interested in revamping the civil citation program for Dixie County youth.
- Previously, the Anti-Drug Coalition supported the civil citation program through grant funding.
- DJJ Civil Citation Data:
- 2018-32 youth arrested; 0 eligible for CC
- 2019-33 youth arrested; 2 eligible for CC

Arrest

- When a youth is arrested, they are booked at the Dixie County
- During booking the LEO will call the Alachua County Screening Unit for a pre-screening to determine if they meet the criteria for secure detention.

Screening Unit Co-located at Alachua Co **Detention Center**

Youth are assessed for MH and **SUD** utilizing Community Assessment Tool (CAT), MAYSI (screens for trauma, depression, MH/SUD) and suicide risk screening. If indicates medical/mental health concerns, the LEO will transport the child to the appropriate facility to be seen by a health care professional.

Detention Hearing

- Occurs within 24 hours of arrest in person or through video conference
- Youth may not be placed into or held in detention care for longer than 24 hours unless the court orders; Youth may remain in detention for 21 days before another hearing is required.
- If youth is released, family may seek MH/SUD svcs and the JPO will provide screening results.

Arraignment

At the hearing a youth is informed of their rights, formally charged by the court, and asked how they wish to plea.

Post-Arrest Diversion **Juvenile Diversion Alternative** Program (JDAP) operated by BAYS

- Youth referred by DJJ and SAO to JDAP program
- JDAP services are based on individual and family needs
- At the time of mapping, DJJ indicated 18 youth received diversion outcome.

DJJ Intake Diversion

Oversees sanctions for youth and monitor progress: individualized services

Alachua County Regional Detention Center

- 42- bed secure detention facility
- Average daily census is 42 youth: average length of stay is 17 days
- Services include education, MH/SUD, and primary healthcare
- Community providers may come to detention center on case-by-case
- If approved, providers will meet with youth on probation and youth incarcerated in an outside area when screening or counseling is needed.
- Since COVID-19, there are no support groups available in the detention center.

Juvenile Court

Dixie County (and Circuit 3) do not have any problem-solving courts for juveniles, there does not appear to be an identified need based on the limited number of youth entering the juvenile justice system.

Teen Court

Dixie County previously operated a successful Teen Court program, with an ordinance that provided funding through ticket fees.

Disposition Hearing

The court determines the sanctions, conditions, and services imposed on a youth.

Dispositional Options

Dispositional options include probation-supervision, commitment, and probation-transition and reentry.

Probation-Supervision

- One juvenile probation officer serves Dixie County youth.
- Average caseload 1:14-15 youth

Commitment

Eligibility determined on a caseby-case basis. The commitment manager will examine family circumstances and determine if placement meets a youth's needs.

Probation-Transition & Reentry (aftercare)

Conditional release/probation following commitment

Reentry

From Secure Detention

- DJJ Screening Unit refers youth to MH/SUD services as needed.
- If youth is involved with DJJ and has a JPO, the JPO will assess youth, determine referral needs, and conduct outreach to community providers.
- The LRT may convene to discuss a youth's release. Members of this team include: DJJ, DCF, Partnership for Strong Families, LSF Health Systems, Meridian, Dixie County Schools, APD, GAL
- The IPT is a team of community partners that develop a comprehensive family service plan to ensure the individual needs of the family are met while safely maintaining children in the home.

Reentry

From Residential Program

- Transition planning from residential treatment begins 60-90 days prior to release.
- . Transition is a collaborative process in which each youth is linked with the appropriate services to successfully reintegrate
- Commitment program provides 30-day supply of medications for youth and gives the parent the remainder of prescribed medications.
- CAT risk assessment, YES Plan
- EEEP is initiated, CRT meetings are scheduled

Transition/Reentry Services Project Connect

Assists with transition back into the community, provides transportation, vocational support, and mentorship

Southwest Keys

Provides Family Functional Therapy

DJJ Probation Orientation

Community Supervision/ **Conditional Release**

DJJ Probation

- The JPO shall refer the youth and family to the appropriate services as identified through the CAT and provide support and follow-up to ensure the completion of sanctions and goals in the YES Plan.
- Youth on probation with MH/SUD needs are referred to services with DJJ contracted providers: White Foundation, Southwest Keys, A New Dawn, Project Connect

Community Services

Mobile Response Team (MRT) & **Community Action Team (CAT)** operated by Meridian

Mental Health First Aid (MHFA)

Anti-Drug Coalition

Outpatient SUD treatment (individual, group, family), mental health group therapy, co-occurring capable group therapy

Meridian Counseling Services

Meridian Targeted Case Management

1 CM serving Dixie Co youth

Project Connect

DJJ transition services provider

Guardian ad Litem (GAL)

Represent children in legal proceedings

Partnership for Strong Families

DCF-contracted provider for child welfare services and case management

White Foundation & A New Dawn & Southwest Keys

• DJJ SUD/MH providers

CDS Counseling

Youth shelter, TANF svcs, 30 and 60-day inpatient program

Ministerial Alliance

Faith-based organization, collaborating with GAL

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