

FVSN Meeting Minutes

Dates: November 3rd and 4th 2015

Host: Clackamas County

November 3rd Attendance: Brad Mondoy (Jefferson), Laura Richie, Jerry Garza (Multnomah), Josh Gordon, Leo Garcilano (Yamhill), Beth Zuber, Rachel Crum (Lane), Angie Fontaine (Linn), Tyler Fredrickson (Marion), Barry Hazel, Patricia Mckerrow (Clatsop), Justin Bendele (Deschutes), Dominic Del Bosque (Washington), Nicki Edge, Trisha Elmer, Shannon Barkley, David Rice, Dawn Pemberthy (Clackamas).

JEFF HANSON (DOC) – Jeff says they are working towards a DV designator to be installed in the DOC 400 (this will not be available in OMS). This is an opportunity for FVSN to provide valuable input into what we would like to see with this designator and Jeff asked a few questions of the group.

First, what do we want to define as DV, is it intimate partner violence only or are we going to include other family violence cases? The majority agreed that this should be specific to IPV.

Second, how are we going to define DV offenses, do we take just your traditional DV offenses or do we look at situations surrounding an offense, say the charge is Burg 1, but it was DV related?

Third, do we want to go back over stock population or just designate new offenses? Majority agreed it would not take too much work to go back on our caseloads and add the designator, it would be a few simple key strokes in DOC 400.

The reason for this designator is to be able to track data, look at recidivism rates among the different risk levels, see if there is a difference in rates in cases where tx has been completed, being able to pull cases by the crime, number of DV offenders in a county, ect... At this point, this data does not exist.

Jeff says there can be multiple designators; say the offender is both gang and DV. The designator would stay on as long as the case it is assigned to stays active, but there would be access to view past designators.

Jeff suggests this body come up with what we would like to see as the parameters of the designator, one that all counties can be consistent with, and present this to the directors of the

counties. Jeff would like to see a policy that all counties can adopt and commitment from counties to designate these cases if we are to have valid data to track.

Dominic, Denise, David, Laura, Tyler (Voluntold), and Jeff will participate in a sub-committee to work on the designator.

DV ACADEMY - The majority would like to see a split week of basic and advanced concepts for the academy week. Some suggested topics are working with victims, more research on effective BIPs, how to interview new partners, safety planning, how and where to record/track victim info, stalking training, legal updates, and how to use social media in PV reports. Many people stated they would like to see an added scenario day, not just a home visit scenario, but maybe an office visit with a difficult victim, or a court testimony scenario.

Dominic, Denise, Tyler, Angie, Rachel (as long as she doesn't have to teach ☺), Shannon, Brad, and Laura will form a subcommittee to explore the curriculum.

DV IRT – The final proposal is ready to be submitted to the OACCD executive team in February.

BUILDING HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS (Patricia Warford) Yamhill County. Patricia stated in her presentation that of DV offenders who do no treatment, 35% will not reoffend, with treatment; it only goes up to 40% not reoffending. Her approach is to look at situational violent episode verses the domestic terrorist and look at alternatives to a one size fits all treatment program to try and do better than a 5% increase. Their program focuses on building skills in both partners to help with their communication and conflict resolution. This program is designed for couples who are determined to stay together and the goal is to give them tools to create a healthy relationship.

November 4th Attendance: Brad Mondoy (Jefferson), Denise Pena, Laura Richie, Jerry Garza (Multnomah), Josh Gordon, Leo Garcilano (Yamhill), Beth Zuber, Rachel Crum (Lane), Angie Fontaine (Linn), Tyler Fredrickson (Marion), Justin Bendele (Deschutes), Dominic Del Bosque (Washington), Nicki Edge, Trisha Elmer, Shannon Barkley, David Rice, Dawn Pemberthy (Clackamas), Chris Hoover (Columbia).

S.A.F.E, Melanie Lowenkamp - Stop Abuse For Everyone

There are 26 modules that can be completed in 26 sessions or split into 52 sessions. For the 52 sessions, there are extensions activities that will make the group time 60-90 minutes. The program is based on Stages of Change and Cognitive Behavior Therapy and consists of

classroom learning and homework. The program comes with Interactive Journals, a Facilitators Guide, and Pre/Post Tests. For more information, Melanie can be reached at

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DV SWEEP October 21, 2015 –

The Northwest: 2,379 Attempts, 320 Warrants served, and 764 Law Enforcement agencies participated including DA's investigators and Victim Advocates.

Oregon: 839 Attempts, 122 Warrants served, and 255 Law Enforcement agencies participated.

DV AWARENESS MONTH

Jefferson - had DV offenders assist in putting up Purple Ribbons around town.

Clackamas - did outreaches in the rural areas, put purple lights in the downtown areas and set up a display at the library.

Marion – did a reach in at OSP with about 100 DV offenders. Talk centered around the contact with victims that is allowed inside the institution vs what type of contact they will be allowed once released back into the community. Needless to say it didn't go very well, there was much gripping about not being allowed contact once out. Marion states they are committed to going into the institutions every October to talk to DV Offenders.

NEXT PO ACADEMY IN FEBRUARY – Denise has fought hard and has been granted an hour at the academy to discuss Victims' Rights. This is in addition to the 2 hrs of DV 101, which comments have said, is not enough time to teach this complicated topic.

COUNTY UPDATES

JEFFERSON: Their new Courthouse should be completed July/August of 2016

WASHINGTON: 9 people in background for 4-5 new PO positions. 1 internal promotion to supervisor. 1 grant funded position for "parents only", working with DHS to keep the families intact, most are Downward Departure cases. They are looking at the numbers to potentially install a DV/SO caseload. Currently doing CPC's on their DV TX providers.

CLACKAMAS: Opening for 1, possibly 2 supervisor positions, just closed a posting for 6 new POs. They are opening a Transition Center out of the jail for MRT classes, job search, ect... and this is open to people who are not on supervision as well.

MULTNOMAH: They have a new deputy director, creating a vacancy for district manager. There are 6 candidates, all internal. Just finished second DV fatality review for the year. They are actively recruiting for 3 open PO positions.

COLUMBIA: 2 new PO hires, they have just started doing EPICS, created a VA Court and are looking at possibly a Mental Health Court in the future.

DESCHUTES: 3 new POs, they outgrew their office and had to take over new space. The DV unit now has a new PO.

YAMHILL: 1 New PO hire, 1 more pretrial and 1 PO Aid. They started a 32 week DV MRT program that attempts to motivate offenders for DV TX, this does not substitute for a BIP program.

MARION: hiring 6 or 7 new POs, promoted 2 internals and have 1 new DV PO.

NEXT MEETING – Scheduled for February 2-3 2016 in Florence

FUTURE MEETING - May 3-4 2016, possibly in Yamhill

