

NEW MEXICO SENTENCING COMMISSION

April 26, 2017 MINUTES JISC

JUSTICE INFORMATION SHARING COUNCIL

10.00 a.m.

**Justice Information Division
2905 Rodeo Park East, Building #5
Santa Fe, New Mexico**

JISC Present	Members	JISC Members Absent	Others Attending	NMSC Staff
Regina Chacon, DPS, Chair		Jaime Flores, LOPD	Jerry Brinegar, NMCD	Linda Freeman
Tony Ortiz, Chair	Vice	Aaron Jones, NMAC	Damien Bradford, AODA	Conner Tuttle
Genevieve Grant, AOC			Steve Harrington, AOC	
Pamela Smyth, NMCD			Matthew Mitchell, DPS	
Brandy Toward, AODA (on phone)			Sonya Abeyta, DPS	
Jeremy Howard, CYFD			Tom Starke	
			Dr. Tom East	

Welcome: Regina Chacon, Chair, called the meeting to order at 10.10 a.m. Committee members, guests, and staff introduced themselves.

Approval of minutes for the October 18, 2016 meeting. The minutes for the previous meeting were approved.

Staff report. Jerry Brinegar provided the JISC members with an update on the NMCD's offender case management system. \$7.3 million has been released for the department to begin work on implementation, including issuance of a request for proposals. Mr. Brinegar would like to provide a more comprehensive briefing at the next JISC meeting.

Discussion regarding progress on the criminal records database and provision of information to the Judiciary. Regina Chacon and Matthew Mitchell briefed JISC members on this continuing effort. Her briefing and the ensuing discussion included the following topics:

- the Department has identified requirements for the system;

- a pilot project is underway in the First Judicial District and nine judges in that district are receiving criminal history reports;
- in the near future, DPS will begin to provide criminal history information to courts in San Miguel county and Guadalupe county;
- DPS will provide notice to the Administrative Office of the Courts as this project is rolled-out to more judicial districts; and
- DPS has two FTE vacancies in the group assigned to work on this project. Due to the current hiring freeze, those positions cannot be filled until the hiring freeze is lifted.

Briefing on the Health Information Exchange and discussion regarding potential for information sharing. Tom Starke and Dr. Tom East briefed the committee. Dr. East is the Director for the New Mexico Health Information Collaborative the New Mexico Health Information Collaborative, which enables health information sharing through the NM Health Information Exchange. Mr. Starke explained that he works with the Santa Fe Behavioral Health Alliance's and it's goal is to get people with mental illness and co-occurring disorders out of the criminal justice system. Mr. Starke and Dr. East would like to use the New Mexico Health Information Exchange, and it's information sharing capability, to inform treatment providers and service agencies of each client's justice-imposed conditions of release. Currently, behavioral health system case managers and managed care organization care coordinators can't effectively guide their clients if they don't know the justice conditions. Consequently, Mr. Starke and Dr. East would like to get access to the Consolidated Offender Query for health care professionals. During the ensuing discussion, the following topics were raised:

- there are currently 1,800 outstanding warrants issued by the Santa Fe municipal court. A significant number of those warrants are issued to people with mental health challenges;
- primary interest is in the current justice information regarding offenders, not criminal histories;
- in the future, information can flow in both directions and health care information can be made available to justice agencies, including jail and prison officials; and
- the Justice Information Sharing Council (JISC) will take this request under advisement and vote on it at a future meeting.

Next meeting. The next JISC meeting will be held on July 26, 2017, at 10.00 a.m. The meeting will be held in Santa Fe.

Adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 11.20 a.m.