

Jail to Community Entry Program: The Missing Bridge from Incarceration to Recovery

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Narrative

The Orange County Jail houses 2500-3000 individuals who suffer from complex co-occurring disorders including mental illness, substance use disorders and chronic health conditions. Many of the inmates housed at the Orange County Jail are either facing or at risk of facing homelessness which is compounded with multiple barriers to accessing resources and treatment. Beginning in 2019, the Orange County Jail integrates the Jail to Community Re-entry Program into their mental health services to bridge the gap between incarceration and reentering society. This presentation examines the societal issues in both the institution and the community and the importance of linkage to stability after incarceration and lapses in treatment. There will be an overview in the program's structure, operations, data gathering and evidence based intervention using risk assessment to identify criminogenic factors and matching services for better outcome. The presentation offers an analysis of the data along with addressing the successes, challenges and future recommendations. Lastly, the presentation will examine the impact of COVID 19 on re-entry services, resources, length of stay in jail and contingency plan for future crisis.

BIO

Geoffrey Glowalla, LMFT, MPA, CCHP

Geoffrey Glowalla is a Service Chief for Orange County Correctional Health Services where he oversees the Jail to Community Re-entry Program including developing policies, procedures and guidelines, managing data collection to show program outcomes, supervising program operations and leading a team of clinical and support staff. He was the first Service Chief assigned to JCRP since it's commencement in 2019 and has been working collaboratively with other correctional health departments, the Orange County Sheriffs Department and community stakeholders to drive community impact.

Geoffrey is a Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist and a Licensed Psychiatric Technician who has been working in the mental health field for eight years. He has worked in a variety of settings to include correctional health, private practice, acute inpatient psychiatric care, inpatient behavioral modification, community mental health clinics and full-service partnerships. He holds master's degrees in Counseling Psychology and Public Administration and considers himself a life-long learner.

Geoffrey was born and raised in Santa Ana, CA. He is married with one son and enjoys vacationing every year in the Caribbean. When not traveling, he enjoys exercising as a form of self-care.

Adelene Tsujiuchi, PsyD, LMFT, CCHP

Adelene (Addie) Tsujiuchi is the Mental Health Service Chief II for Orange County Correctional Health Services. She has 14 years of experience working in public behavioral healthcare in Illinois and California as a direct service provider, manager, administrator, program planner, and consultant.

Addie earned a Doctor of Psychology from Ryokan College, LA., and a Master of Arts degree in Clinical Psychology from Wheaton College, IL. She is a licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (MFT) through the California Board of Behavioral Sciences.

Addie's background includes work with the former Chicago Asian Human Services to assist in developing education and human services programs for victims of domestic violence and people living in poverty with mental health issues. Addie moved to Los Angeles in 2007 and she was the direct provider and also the program coordinator for the Full-Service Partnership (FSP) and Conditional Release Program. Since then, she has devoted her career in the field of correctional mental health and has spent the last 9 years providing leadership to the mental health team in Orange County Correctional Health Services. She has dedicated her career to providing effective evidence-based interventions in helping people who are justice involved and have complex mental and behavioral health challenges. Her goal is to be an agent of positive change through the work of research and also as a practitioner.

Learning Objectives

1. Familiarization with the societal challenges and barriers
2. Discuss the basic structure and operations of a re-entry team
3. Identify effective interventions in identifying needs and appropriate linkage
4. Discuss the data collection and outcomes from the first four quarters
5. Analyze the successes and challenges of the process
6. Explore the recommendations for future operations and planning
7. Recommendations for development, implementations and refining of program in correctional jail settings.