



Interdisciplinary Partnerships: Community Mental Health & Law Enforcement Collaboration Webinar

March 26th, 2021
10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

In the midst of a global pandemic, the related economic downturn, and a renewed focus on racial justice, mental health, and public safety, the intersection of law enforcement and mental health have come to the fore in public discussion and debate. Our organizations, representing Michigan's law enforcement professionals, prosecuting attorneys, and community mental health (CMH) systems, want to underscore the ideas of continuously examining best practices, as well as taking the opportunity to enhance longstanding partnerships between law enforcement, mental health systems and communities throughout Michigan and to recommend strengthening those partnerships.

When placed on the shoulders of law enforcement, the list of community needs burdens them with an ever-growing list of expectations from the public – expectations beyond the core responsibilities and capacities of any law enforcement professional.

As we look forward to shared strategies that enhance the capacity to respond to a variety of crisis situations, Michigan communities have developed innovative and effective partnerships between local law enforcement agencies and community mental health systems – the public mental health system designed to provide high quality, evidence-based and community-centered mental health services. These partnerships focus the appropriate resources and personnel on the issues at hand in any given crisis call - by applying law enforcement approaches when needed, mental health and human services approaches when needed, and partnering together as needed.

This webinar will explore interdisciplinary partnership and collaboration efforts from three innovative Michigan communities.

Webinar Registration Cost: FREE (*Registration for this webinar is made available by the Michigan Department of Health & Human Services.*)

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