RIGHT Care Project
Amid shortage of psychiatric beds, mentally ill face long waits for treatment

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File photo of a hospital’s psychiatric evaluation room by Jim Young/Reuters
STREAMLINING MENTAL HEALTH RESPONSE
Minneapolis police to try buddy system on mental health calls

The program would team Minneapolis officers with mental health professionals.
RIGHT CARE PROGRAM

- Rapid
- Integrated
- Group
- Healthcare
- Team
Dispatch Operations
• 911 center behavioral health triage specialist
• RIGHT Care Response Team
• Specially trained DFR Paramedic
• Specially trained DPD police officer
• Behavioral Health Provider
• Response Vehicle
• On-Line Medical Direction
Goals of the Program

• To better identify behavioral health emergencies at the 911 call center
• To more effectively triage behavioral health emergency calls
• To utilize the RIGHT Care team to engage the community and prevent behavioral health crisis incidents
• To respond the RIGHT Care team to more effectively and safely manage behavioral health crisis incidents
• To better maintain the operational capabilities of Dallas Fire-Rescue and the Dallas Police Department
DALLAS SMART JUSTICE PROJECT
PROPOSED IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

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Questions?