

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



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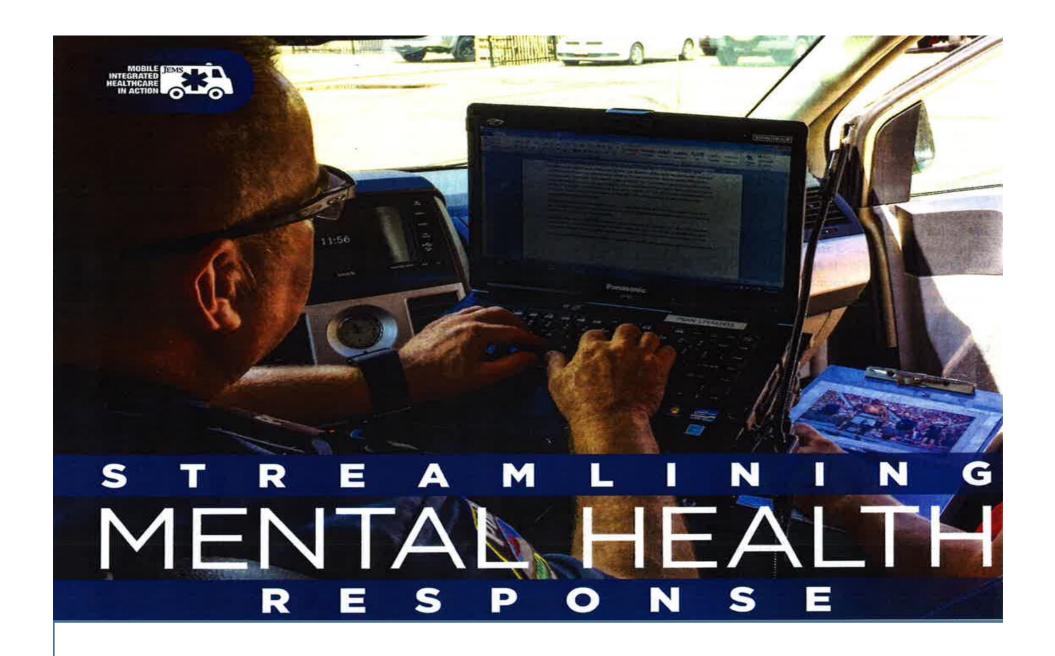








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The program would team Minneapolis officers with nental health professionals.



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RIGHT CARE PROGRAM





- Rapid
- Integrated
- Group
- Healthcare
- Team



Behavioral Health

Program Components



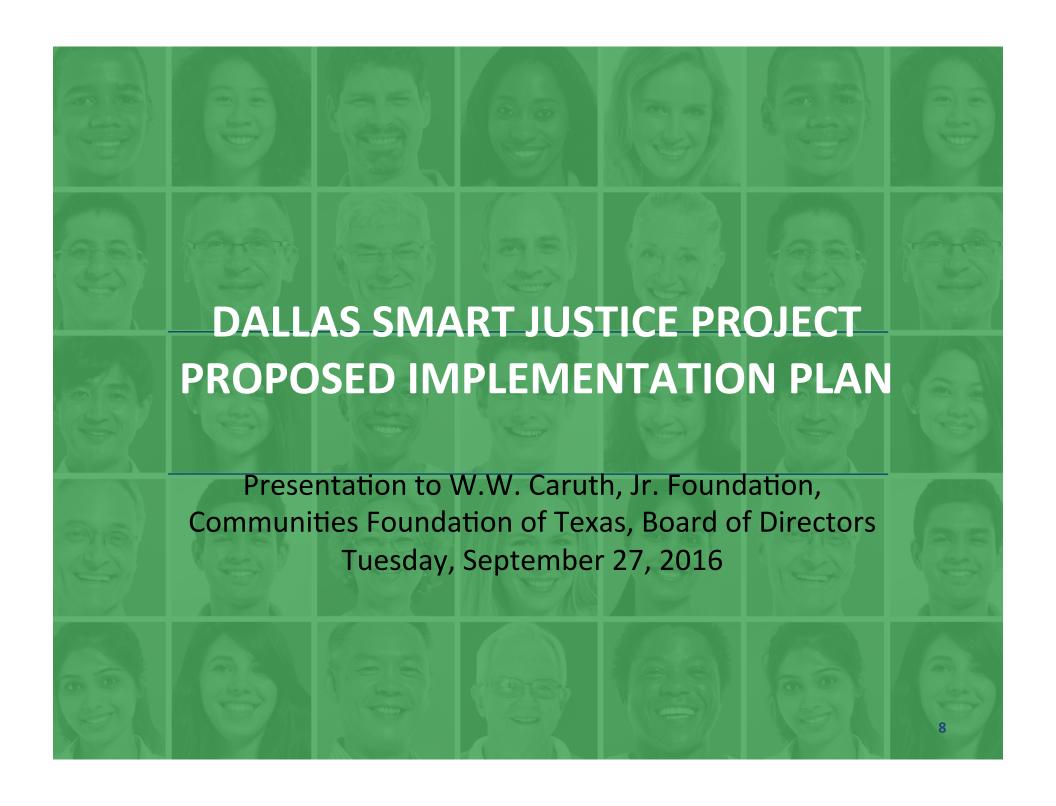
Dispatch Operations

- 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



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