

# Stepping Up Peer Exchange: Tulsa County, Okla.

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## Agenda

### Thursday, November 21st

**8:00 am** Participants meet in the lobby of the Hotel Indigo Tulsa Downtown Group will meet in the lobby of the Hotel Indigo Tulsa Downtown and travel by bus to the Tulsa County Election Board at 555 North Denver Avenue, where breakfast and coffee will be served.

**8:30 am – 9:45 am** **Welcome, Framing and Introductions**  
Opening remarks from Tulsa County leaders and participant introductions. *Note: This peer exchange is organized around the Sequential Intercept Model, a conceptual framework used to inform community-based responses to people with mental illnesses and substance use disorders involved in the justice system.*

- **Amy Brown**, Deputy Mayor, City of Tulsa
- **Hon. Vic Regalado**, Sheriff, Tulsa County Sheriff's Office
- **Hon. Cindy Bobbitt**, Commissioner, Grant County, Okla., NACo Central Region Representative

**9:45 am – 10:15 am** **Getting Started with Stepping Up in Tulsa County**  
Learn about how Tulsa County began its Stepping Up initiative and prioritized policy and practice.

- **Jill Young**, Chief Program Officer, Family and Children's Services
- **Michelle Robinette**, Mental Health Coordinator and Accreditation Manager, Tulsa County Sheriff's Office
- **Melissa Baldwin**, Former Criminal Justice Reform Director, Mental Health Association Oklahoma

**10:15 am – 10:30 am** **Break**

**10:30 am – 11:30 am** **Sequential Intercept Map: Intercept 0, 1, 2 - Community Services, Law Enforcement and Initial Detention/Initial Court Hearings**  
Learn about the various services the county and city implemented to assist individuals with behavioral health treatment needs and the process the jail uses to screen for mental illness at booking.



Hospital, Crisis, Respite, Peer and Community Services

- **Krista Lewis**, Chief Program Officer, Adult Mental Health Medical and Crisis Services, Family and Children's Services

First Responders and Emergency Services

- **Michael Baker**, Director - Emergency Medical Services, City of Tulsa Fire Department

Jail Screening

- **Jill Young**, Chief Program Officer, Adult Mental Health Outpatient Services, Family and Children's Services
- **Michelle Robinette**, Mental Health Coordinator and Accreditation Manager, Tulsa County Sheriff's Office

**11:30 am – 12:00 pm**     **Break and travel to Family and Children's Services** (1055 South Houston Avenue)

**12:00 pm – 2:00 pm**     **Lunch and Tour of Family and Children's Services' Women in Recovery Program and CrisisCare Center**  
Learn about the resources available at the Family and Children's Services facility, including a tour of the Women in Recovery and CrisisCare Center spaces. The Women in Recovery program connects previously incarcerated women to mental health and substance abuse treatment as well as educational courses, workforce readiness training and family reunification services. The CrisisCare Center is a 24/7 psychiatric crisis center, which provides mental health screening and assessment, pharmaceutical oversight, behavioral health treatment and a quiet place to recover from a crisis. Lunch will be provided at the Women in Recovery's culinary school.

- **Mimi Tarrasch**, Chief Officer, Women in Recovery
- **Krista Lewis**, Chief Program Officer, Adult Mental Health Medical and Crisis Services, Family and Children's Services

**2:00 pm – 2:30 pm**     **Travel to David L. Moss Criminal Justice Center** (300 North Denver Avenue)

**2:30 pm – 3:30 pm**     **Tour of Jail Mental Health Pod**  
Learn about how the county jail created a Mental Health Pod unit to house individuals with mental illnesses and how the jail uses this unit to provide treatment while an individual is incarcerated and connect these individuals to housing and medication management after jail release.

- **George Roberts**, Assistant Jail Administrator, Tulsa County Sheriff's Office

- 3:30 pm – 3:45 pm**      **Travel to Tulsa County Election Board** (555 North Denver Avenue)
- 3:45 pm – 4:00 pm**      **Break and Refreshments**
- 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm**      **Sequential Intercept Model: 3, 4 - Jails, Court and Reentry**  
 Learn about how the municipal court’s Special Service Docket connects individuals with mental illnesses to case managers and treatment to avoid jail time for low-level offenses.
- **Hon. Gerald Hofmeister**, Municipal Court Judge, City of Tulsa Municipal Court
  - **Komron Takmil**, Assistant City Attorney, City of Tulsa Prosecutor’s Office
  - **Mike Brose**, CEO, Mental Health Association Oklahoma
- 5:00 pm**      **Participants will be transported to Hotel Indigo Tulsa Downtown**
- 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm**      **Dinner at El Guapo’s** (332 First Street)  
 The group will meet in the Hotel Indigo Tulsa Downtown lobby at 6:00 pm. The restaurant is right around the corner from the hotel and we will walk there as a group. Please let a NACo staff member know if you need transportation assistance.

**Friday, November 22nd**

- 8:00 am**      **Participants meet in the lobby of the Hotel Indigo Tulsa Downtown**  
 Group will meet in the lobby of the Hotel Indigo Tulsa Downtown and travel by bus to the Mental Health Association Oklahoma at 5330 East 31st Street, where breakfast and coffee will be served.
- 8:30 am – 9:30 am**      **Justice Involvement in Tulsa County: Equality Indicators and Racial Disparity**  
 Learn about the work Tulsa County is doing to identify and address racial and ethnic disparities in its justice system.
- **Kelly Kruggel**, Director of Communications, Community Service Council
  - **D’Marria Monday**, Visionary President, Block Builderz
- 9:30 am – 9:45 am**      **Break and travel to housing tour** (Altamont Apartments, 12 East 12th Street and Denver House, 252 West 17th Place)
- 9:45 am – 11:00 am**      **Housing Tour**  
 Learn about and tour two housing initiatives that provide individuals with mental illnesses and/or who are experiencing homelessness connections to treatment and services.

- 11:00 am – 11:30 am**      **Break and travel to Mental Health Association Oklahoma (5330 East 31st Street)**
- 11:30 am – 12:30 pm**      **Sequential Intercept Model: Intercept 5 - Community Corrections and Support**  
Learn about how Tulsa County leverages peer support in various community-based programs that provide individuals with mental illnesses connections to treatment and housing to help reduce recidivism.
- Programs of Assertive Community Treatment (PACT)
    - **John Ayers**, Senior Program Director, Family and Children’s Services
  - Frequent Utilizers and the Altamont Bridge Program
    - **Jessica Kelly**, Homeless Outreach and Rapid Response Clinical Coordinator, Mental Health Association Oklahoma
  - First Step Male Diversion Program
    - **David Phillips**, Executive Director, First Step Male Diversion
- 12:30 pm – 1:00 pm**      **Closing remarks and lunch**  
Boxed lunch will be available to those who need to leave early.
- **Hon. Karen Keith**, Chairwoman, Tulsa County Board of Commissioners
  - **Mike Brose**, CEO, Mental Health Association Oklahoma
- 1:00 pm**      **Meeting Adjourns**

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