



Probation Intake Diversion

Texas Front-End Diversion Initiative (FEDI)



Program Design

Specialized Officer:

Training:

Mental Health 101

Administration of the
Ohio Scales

Family Engagement

Crisis Management

Motivational Interviewing

- On going coaching and support

Caseload \leq 15

Model:

Initial case/crisis planning &
Medicaid/CHIP screening
within first week of enrollment;

Monthly interdisciplinary case plan
reviews;

Transition from caseload to
community services;

Intensive case management
services;

- Contacts focused on key
"driver" locations

- 3-5 face to face per week

Pre-Post use of evaluation scales



Target Population

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DSM-IV Axis I diagnosis (or potential for diagnosis)

Intake screening:

Maysi-2

Mental health assessment

Family History

Previous treatment

Special Education

Deferred Prosecution

Family Suitability Interview

Current Population

140 Screened

106 Enrolled

50 Discharged

6 adjudicated (12%)

Average age 13

42% African American

*23% Comparison

40% Hispanic



Demonstration Sites

Austin (Travis County) – 2 MH Court

Dallas (Dallas County) – In House
Assessment

Lubbock (Lubbock County) – Care Match

San Antonio (Bexar County) – Family
Partners

Expansion:

Houston (Harris County) – MH Court



Justice System Referral





Detention Experience





FEDI Criteria





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The FEDI experience





Specialized Officer: "Alan"





Case Collaboration & "Keeping Our Family Together"





THANK YOU

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