

Regional Crisis Coalition Coordinator Scope of Work

Purpose

The primary purpose of the regional crisis coalition coordinator will be to work with jurisdictions in North Central Montana to develop a regional coalition, with the mission of analyzing, planning, and implementing sustainable strategies that will improve crisis diversion systems across the region. Those jurisdictions invited to participate in this project will include Blaine, Chouteau, Glacier, Hill, Liberty, Pondera, Teton, and Toole counties, as well as the Blackfeet Nation and Chippewa Cree Tribe.

This a 3-year planning grant and the total funding for this project is \$75,000 estimated work time is 15 hours a week. Funds will include the costs of Regional SIM Mapping.

Collaborate with Key Community Partners

- Build necessary partnerships with regional, tribal, and local entities involved in Crisis Diversion
- Key community partners will include, but are not limited to:
 - County and Tribal Public Health Departments
 - County, Tribal, and City Law Enforcement and Dispatch
 - County and Tribal Emergency Medical Services
 - County and Tribal Medical Centers
 - Existing County and Tribal Behavioral Health Coalitions and Local Advisory Councils
 - Other healthcare providers
 - Other mental health providers
 - County and Tribal Justice Systems
 - Individuals with lived experiences
- Conduct outreach to key partners in the form of phone calls, emails, and in-person visits
- Ensure the inclusion of all key partner voices in meetings, assist local jurisdictions in establishing or supporting existing behavioral health coalitions in outreach efforts to key jurisdictional partners

Establish and Maintain a Regional Crisis Coalition

- Coordinate regular meetings of a Regional County-Tribal Crisis Coalition, including coordinating virtual or in-person meeting spaces, sending out meeting reminder notices, setting an agenda, and facilitating flow of meeting.
- Develop formal cooperation agreements between key partners, such as MOUs.
- Work with key local partners to establish and ensure an understanding of the roles & responsibilities of the Coalition
- Guide the Coalition in following the CrisisNOW Model to decrease inappropriate jail admissions, and hospital emergency services admissions, decrease client relapse in crisis situations, and assist community members in a crisis situation to have someone to call, someone to respond to, and somewhere to go.

Lead the development and provide ongoing maintenance and updates of a Regional Crisis Coalition website to communicate with the public about how the Coalition works and how they can participate Facilitate

Planning of a Regional Crisis Response System

- Through the established Regional Crisis Coalition, facilitate an analysis of existing systems within the region, including a Sequential Intercept Model mapping process (in coordination with expert consultants) and gap analysis.
- Work with regional health departments to access necessary local background information; policies and procedures; and ongoing information to enable a comprehensive planning process.
- Assist key partners in establishing regional and jurisdictional data collection of indicators that will be used to drive Coalition work and focus.
- Account for and support existing, functional systems within the region in the planning process.
- Develop a robust strategic plan for a regional crisis coalition with timelines and strategies for sustainability beyond the grant period

Implement a Crisis Response System

- As time allows, work with crisis response partners to implement system elements that are effective and sustainable for our rural communities as well as functional across jurisdictional lines and tribes. Examples may include, but are not limited to:
 - Mobile crisis response units
 - Streamlined entry into area receiving facilities
 - Peer supports
 - Training for existing first responders
- Improved utilization of 988
- Address ownership and sustainability of the crisis response system, beyond the grant period

Grant Management and Check-In

- Participate in regular check-in meetings with the Pondera County Health Department Director and provider reports on work completed and planned activities.
- Submit a monthly invoice to Pondera County Health Department indicating that track hours and summarize activities for grant reporting for the Crisis Diversion Grant