

Community Task Force

Monday, March 21, 2022

AGENDA

Purpose of the Task Force: To review and recommend preferred system improvements after the incident and death of Cedric Lofton

Goal of the Task Force: Develop recommendations for improvements and changes to the existing system standards and performance of Department of Children and Families (DCF), law enforcement, and youth corrections programs

Today: Hear from Ascension/St. Joseph and Sedgwick County District Attorney to better understand how to improve systems for foster children going through a mental health crisis

1. Updates

- KORA requests – include names, emails, other contact information?
- Public comments – emails

2. Presentation

- Robyn Chadwick, Ascension Via Christi St. Joseph hospital president and executive leader for its Behavioral Health Services
- Marc Bennett, Sedgwick County District Attorney

3. Draft recommendations: Timeline and Process

- Timeline
- Systems
- Homework
 - Review and identify – “not moving forward”
 - Indicate where more clarity is needed
 - Consider whether the recommendation is short- (within 6 months) mid- (7 to 18 months), or long-term (more than 18 months) priority

4. Next week

- Homework review
- Recommendations for Foster Care + Mental Health + 911