

PRYDE

The Juvenile Diversion Program of the Orange County Sheriff's Department



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Background



Pepperdine Resource, Youth Diversion and Education

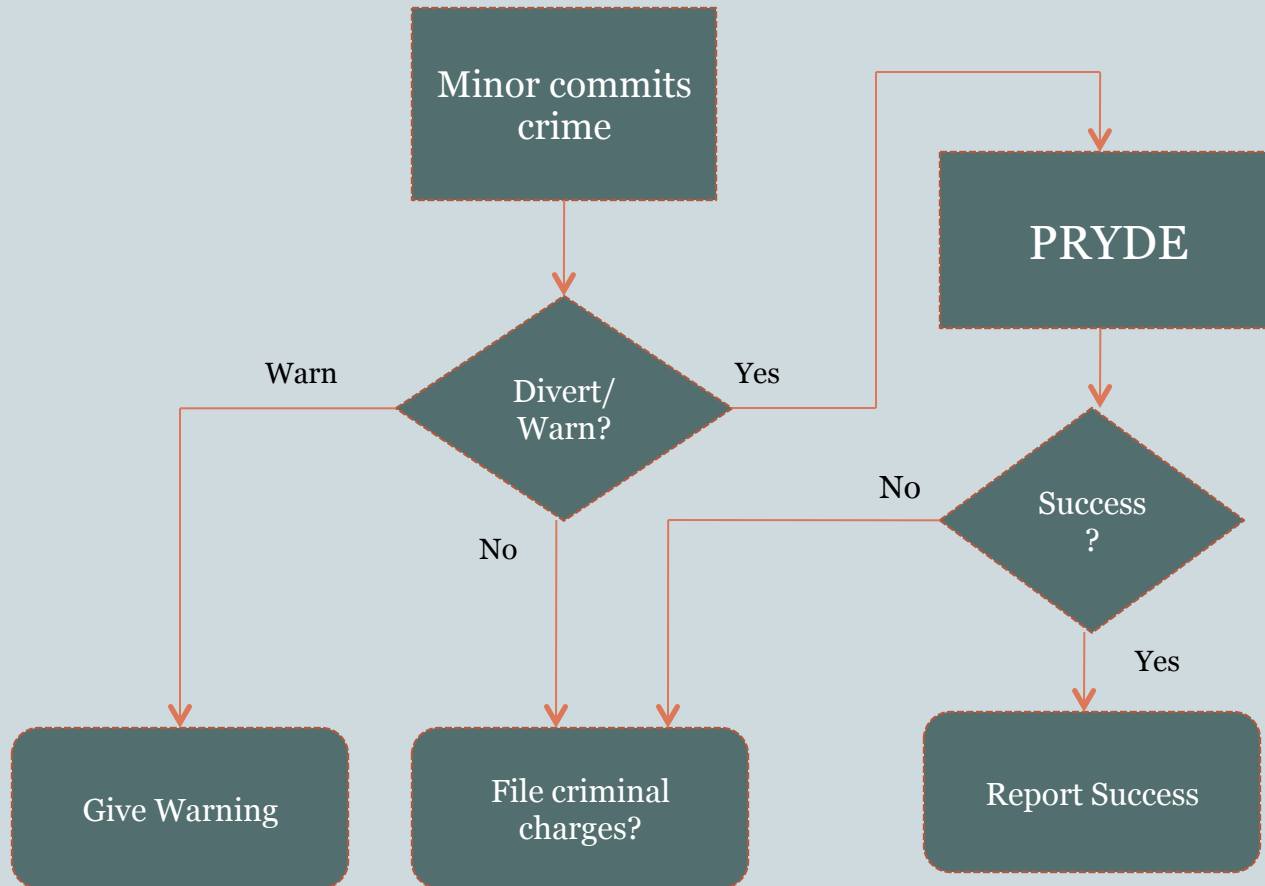
- Pepperdine University Graduate School of Education and Psychology Community Based Clinical Training Program
- Contracted with OCSD continuously since 2001
- Provide Juvenile Diversion counseling and case management services for contract cities and unincorporated areas of Orange County
- Training MFT and Psychology Practicum Students and Interns
- Accept referrals from OCSD, School Districts, Community Agencies and Parents
- Worked with over 14,000 youth and their families

PRYDE Organization



- **Robert Hohenstein, PhD**
 - Director, Clinical Psychologist and Supervisor
- **Kenneth Woog, PsyD**
 - Associate Director, Clinical Psychologist and Supervisor
- **Olga Cervantes, PsyD**
 - Clinical Psychologist, Clinical Supervisor
- **8-20 Interns/Licensed counselors working out of offices throughout the county:**
 - ✦ Lake Forest (SE) , Aliso Viejo (SW) , San Clemente, Yorba Linda, Mission Viejo (THHS)
 - ✦ Bilingual, bicultural (Spanish, Korean, Farsi), others as available

Juvenile Diversion Process



Why Youth Diversion?



- **Goal of Juvenile Justice is Rehabilitation**
 - Behavior disorders, antisocial behavior and substance use
 - Evaluation, case planning, treatment and outcome evaluation
- **Reduce Recidivism**
 - PRYDE has demonstrated improvement over non-diversion
- **Reduce Overall Cost**
 - Reduced costs through Juvenile Court System
 - Pepperdine University ideal partner agency
 - ✦ Highly trained staff of mental health professionals
 - ✦ Professional educators experienced in this population
 - Long term cost reduction through reduced recidivism

Pathways to Antisocial/Criminal Behavior



Peers, School and Community Characteristics

Criminal
subculture

Deviant Peer
Influences

Favorable
attitudes
toward
antisocial
behavior

Dropout

Low School
Achievement

Family / Parenting Characteristics

Low Warmth,
high conflict
Parenting

Chaotic
environment

Individual Youth Characteristics

Low IQ, Temperament &
Attitudes

Psychiatric Pathology

Comprehensive Multimodal Treatment



Peers, School and Community Characteristics

Mentoring

Communicate
with Law
Enforcement
and Probation

Community
Service

Consult with
teachers/ school

Extracurricular
Activities

Family / Parenting Characteristics

Behavioral
Parent Training

Parent
Counseling

Family
Counseling

Aid family with
resources

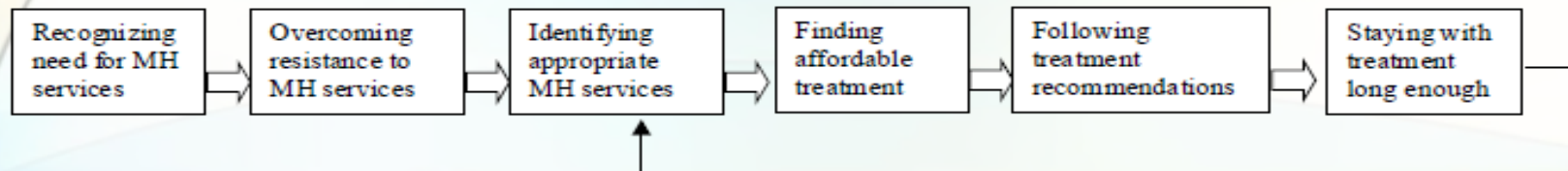
Individual Youth Characteristics

Individual Therapy
Drug/Alcohol Treatment
Classes/Groups

Medication
Counseling
Advocacy

Need for Advocacy in Mental Health Care

Obstacles to Mental Health Treatment



- Delays in treatment increase risk of violence
 - Danger to self or others
- Delays in treatment increase risk of academic, social, legal problems including drug/alcohol abuse, dependency
- Delay in treatment increase family conflict
- Delays in treatment risk limits to parental authority
 - At 18 can't force into treatment

PRYDE Process



- Referrals submitted by OCSD, Schools, School Districts and Authorized Agencies. Parents can call in referral
- Contact families by phone, mail to schedule intake
 - Contact information critical (i.e. phone, apartment #)
- Comprehensive individualized Intake
 - 2 Hour psychosocial evaluation with youth and their family
- Requirements (treatment plan) assigned
 - Counseling, drug/alcohol classes/treatment, community service
- Counseling, case management done by PRYDE Diversion Specialists
 - No charge for any of our direct services to the youth
 - Referrals to outside agencies based on our choice of who best serves the youth and their families – sliding scales and scholarships available
- Monitor and report case progress/status to referring agency

Eligibility: Criminal Referral



- **Ages 11-17 (may have turned 18 after offense)**
 - Younger if suitable upon exception
- **First time offender**
 - Exceptions for tobacco, curfew and by request
- **Crimes other than Traffic and not incarcerated**
 - Citations, Misdemeanors
 - Will take municipal code violations if similar to criminal
 - Non-violent felonies (i.e. caught with knife at school)
- **Serve Contract Cities and Unincorporated Areas**
 - Committed crime within eligible area

Eligibility: Non-Criminal Referral



- **OCSO Non-Mandatory**
- **School Formal, Informal Referral, Parent Referral**
- **Ages 11-17**
 - 18 y/o if High School student
 - Younger if suitable upon exception
- **Identified youth at-risk for potential future law enforcement involvement**
 - May be victim of crime (i.e. bullying victim)
- **Serve Contract Cities and Unincorporated Areas**
 - Attends school within eligible area
 - Lives within eligible area (at least one parent)

Referral Process: OCS D



- Go online to portal
<https://www.wooglabs.net/pryderreferrals.a5w>
- Input referral
- Fax referral form to 949-206-8611
 - Email request for form to woogkm@ocsd.org
- Call 949-206-8600 M-F 9am–5pm
- Submit copy of printed referral confirmation page and reports/citation

Questions

