MECKLENBURG COUNTY

Criminal Justice Services

Pretrial Service Re-Entry Services Research & Planning



Recovery Courts Business Management Forensic Evaluations Unit

SJC-DV Strategy

Goal: Identify individuals with high lethality concerns and offer targeted domestic violence education to reduce ongoing intimate partner violence, reduce domestic violence re-arrest, and to promote community safety.

Judicially Driven Referral for DV Pretrial Supervision

- ➤ Domestic violence education classes offered to those who screen "in" as high lethality on the LAP.
- Pretrial Services to obtain this information when in court and presented by the ADA.
- Service is at **no cost** to client, funded through the Safety + Justice Challenge.

DV Pretrial Case Manager

- Two-week "Orientation" phase of intensive contact to coordinate services.
- ➤ Attendance/participation reported and monitored by the DV Pretrial Case Manager.
- ➤ If a client refuses DV education classes, they will remain on Intensive supervision for at least 90 days. If fully compliant, they may be reduced to Standard supervision after 90 days there will not be a further reduction.
- Once "Orientation" phase is complete, client will be supervised at a Standard level, unless there is reason to believe a higher level may be more appropriate.

^{*}participation/non-participation in DV programming will not be included in criminal case.

Coordination and Connections with Advocates and Providers

- ➤ Weekly staffing's with CJS clinicians regarding DV/high lethality pretrial cases.
- ➤ Engagement with community/judicial victim advocacy programs to address systemic issues.
- ➤ Implementation Committee to meet and regularly review process, identify what is working, and where adjustments may be necessary. Members to include: CJS staff, DA representative, PD representative, member of victim advocacy group (such as Safe Alliance), CMPD DV Unit Sgt, DV Judge. This committee will also establish appropriate measures of success and ensure accurate and timely data reporting is available.