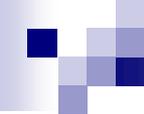




TCOOMMI

Texas Correctional Office on Offenders with Medical or Mental Impairments



Mission Statement

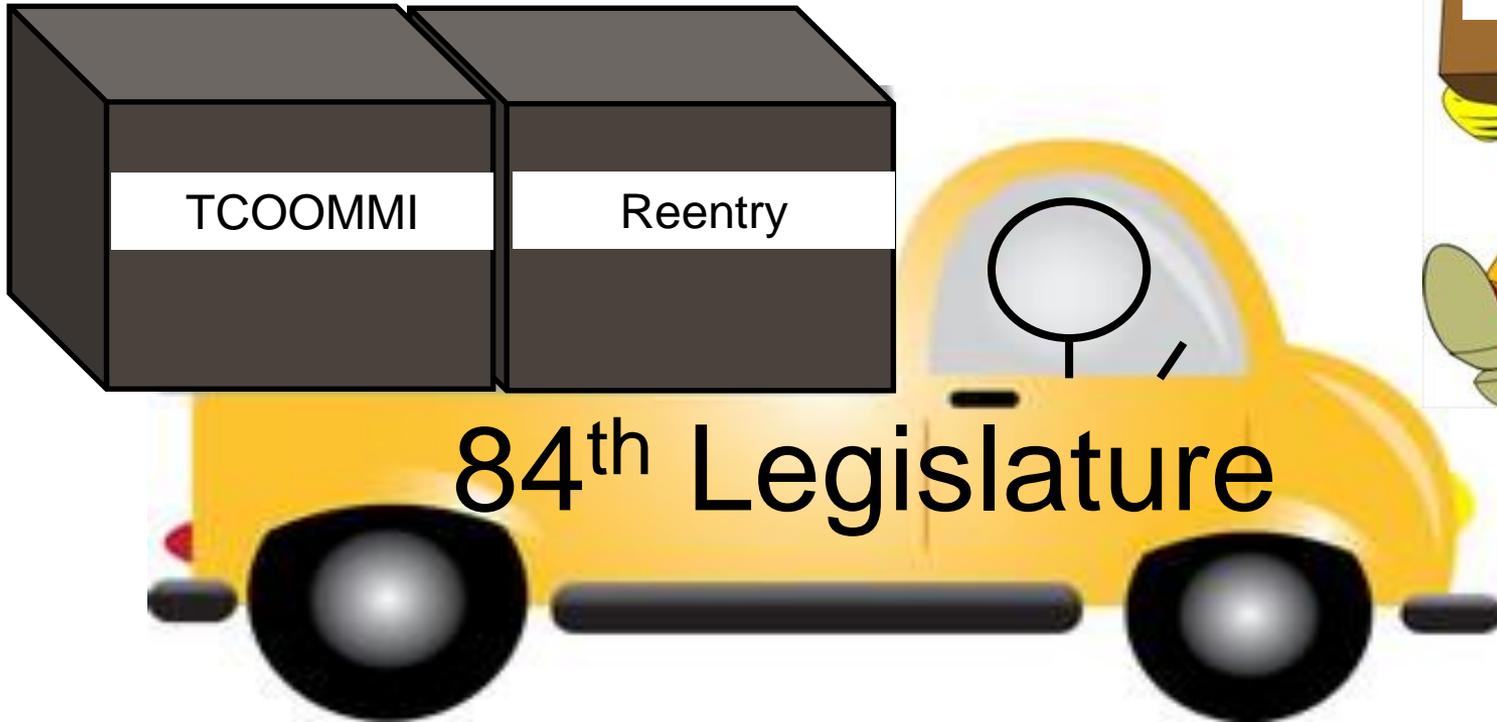
To provide a formal structure of criminal justice, health and human service and other affected organizations to communicate and coordinate on policy, legislative, and programmatic issues affecting offenders with special needs*

* Special needs include clients with serious, chronic and pervasive mental illnesses, intellectual disability, terminal or serious medical conditions, physical disabilities and those who are elderly.

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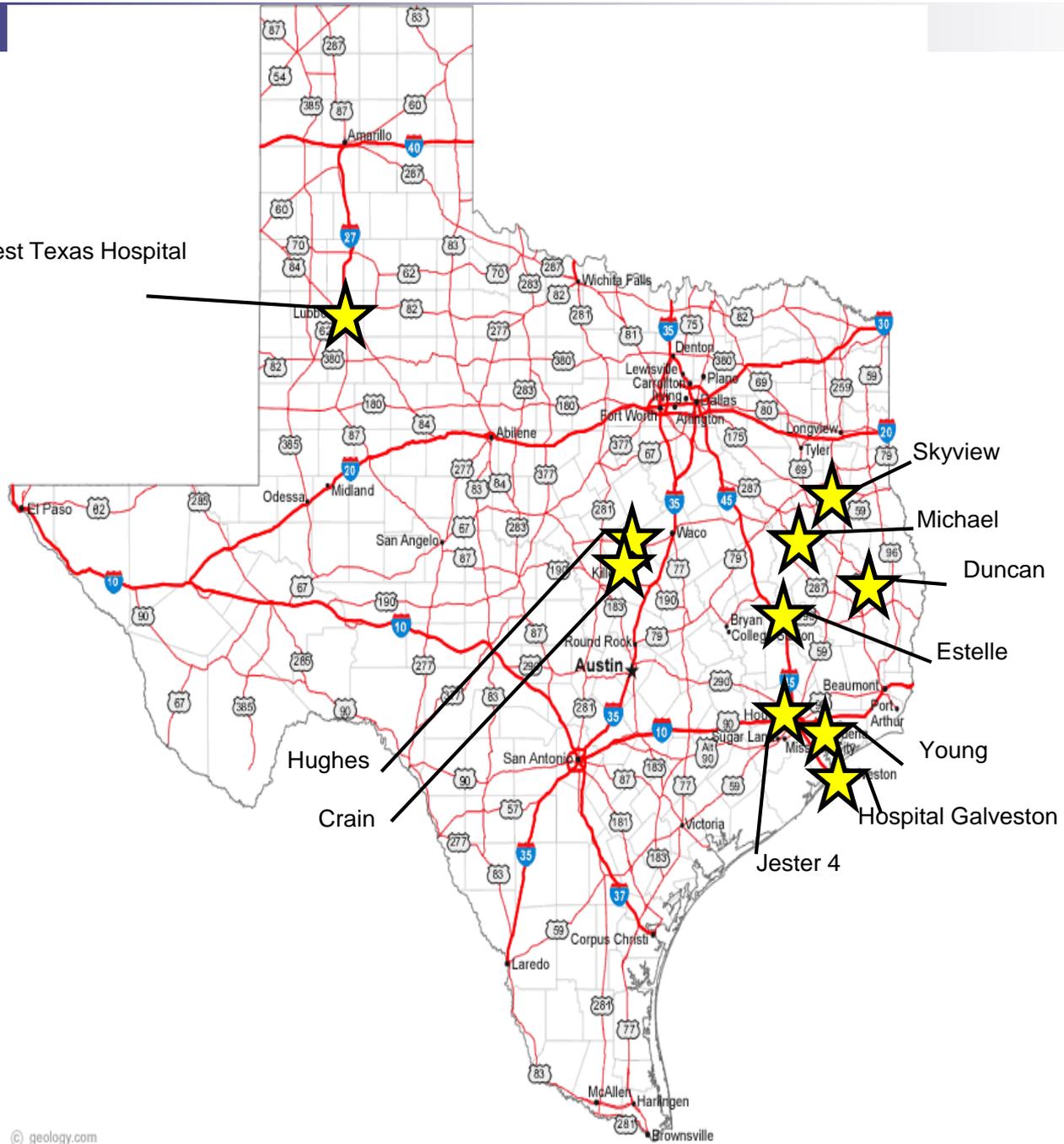
- One of three states with a statutorily mandated coordinating body for clients with special needs.
- The *only* state with Continuity of Care (COC) legislation.
- One of few states with targeted funds for juvenile and adult clients with special needs.
- One of few states with specialized juvenile and adult probation/parole caseloads.
- The most *proactive* state in regulatory, statutory, procedural and programmatic practices for clients with special needs.

Collaborative Effort



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Special
Needs
Case
Managers

Montford/West Texas Hospital



Christina Melton Crain Unit

- Outpatient Mental Health
- Developmental Disabilities Program (DDP)
- Special Needs Substance Abuse Felony Punishment Facility (SAFPF)



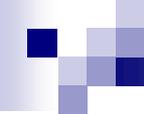
Rufus H. Duncan Unit

- Wheelchair Accessible Beds
- Geriatric



W. J. “Jim” Estelle Unit

- Outpatient Mental Health
- Assisted Living
- Extended Care
- Dialysis
- Geriatric
- Assisted Disability Services (ADS) for vision and hearing
- Special Needs Substance Abuse Felony Punishment Facility (SAFPF)



Alfred D. Hughes Unit

- Outpatient Mental Health
- Infirmary
- Assisted Living
- Mental Health Observation Rooms

Beauford H. Jester IV Unit

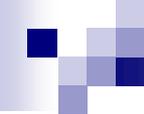
- Outpatient Mental Health
- In-patient Mental Health



Mark W. Michael Unit

- Outpatient Mental Health
- Chronic Care Clinics
- Infirmary
- Hospice





John Montford Unit

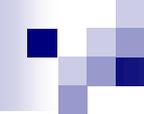
*West Texas Hospital

- Outpatient Mental Health
- Skilled Medical/Surgical
- Long-Term Care
- In-Patient Mental Health
- Geriatric
- Dialysis facility

Skyview Unit

- Outpatient Mental Health
- In-patient Mental Health





Carole Young Unit

- Outpatient Mental Health
- Infirmary
- Skilled Care
- Assisted Living
- Geriatric
- Prenatal and Pregnancy
- Dialysis
- Wheelchair Accommodated Beds

Reentry Case Management

■ Texas Risk Assessment System

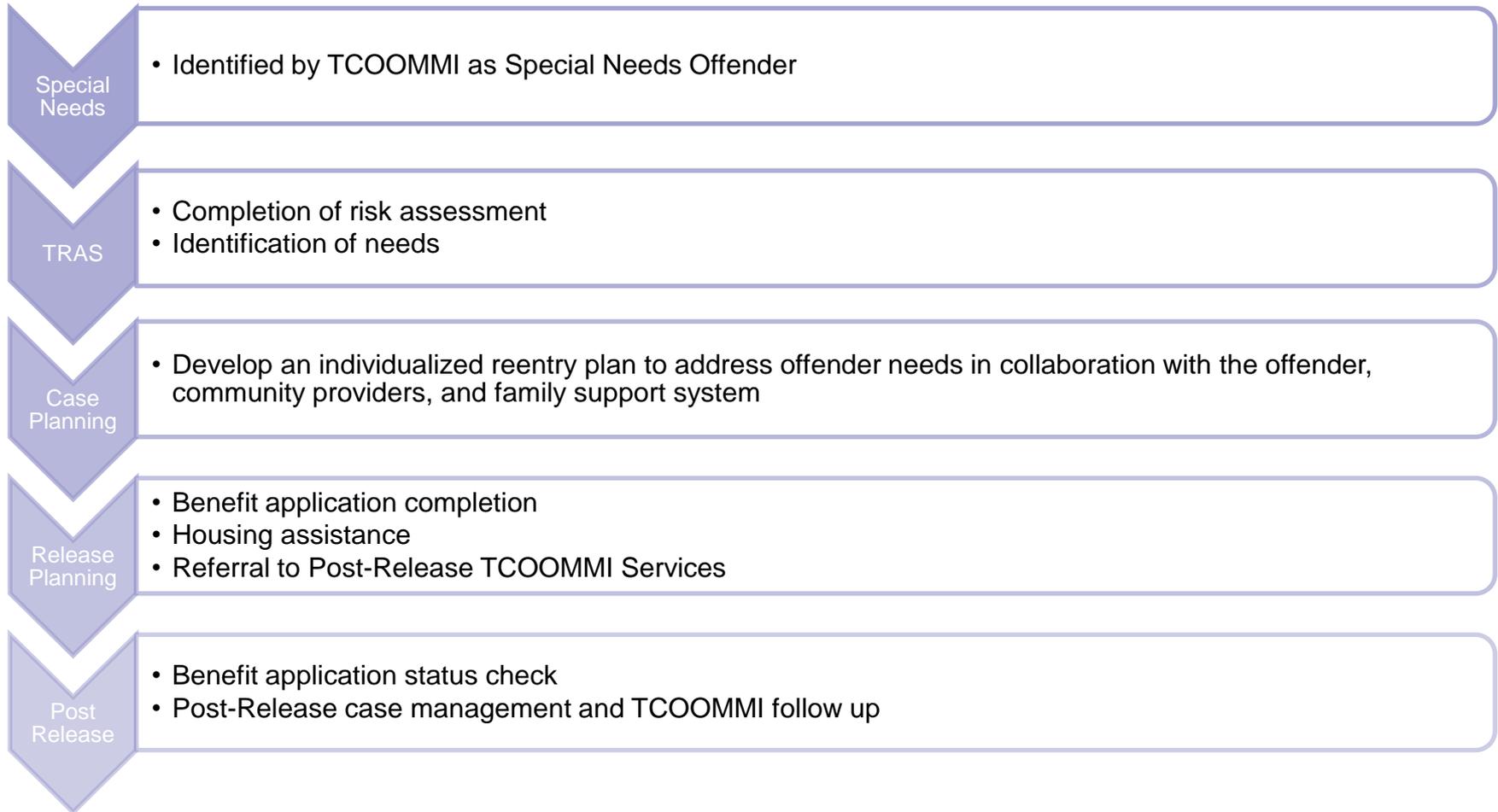
- Tool utilized to assess an offender's risk of reoffending, with case management offered
- Designed to address offender needs in nine key areas recognized as necessary for successful reentry
- Eligibility
 - Must have a target release date within six months, or sentence completion date within six months
 - No active ICE or felony detainers (excludes State Jail Detainers)
 - Must plan to reside in Texas upon release from TDCJ



Special Needs Reentry Case Management

- Federal Benefit Application Completion
- Federal Benefit Status Check
- Community Resource Referrals
- Housing Assistance to Meet Medical/Mental Health Need
- Referral to Post-Release TCOOMMI Services

Offenders on Continued Supervision



Flat Discharge Offenders

Special Needs

- Identified by TCOOMMI as Special Needs Offender
- Identification of needs

Case Planning

- Develop an individualized reentry plan to address offender needs in collaboration with the offender, community providers, and family support system

Release Planning

- Benefit application completion
- Housing assistance
- Referral to community resources

TCOOMMI at a Glance

- Established in 1987.
- Enabled by Health and Safety Code, Chapter 614.
- Addresses all aspects of the criminal justice continuum:
 - Juvenile Continuity of Care;
 - Adult Continuity of Care;
 - Probation Case Management;
 - Parole Case Management;
 - Jail Diversion and Court Resource; and
 - Competency restoration while awaiting trial (46b commitment)

Community-Based Adult Programs

TCOOMMI funds a Continuity of Care (COC) Program designed to provide a responsive system for local referrals from parole, probation, jail, family and other related agencies.

TCOOMMI Program Service

Continuity of Care (COC)

- A responsive system for special needs clients releasing from TDCJ.
- Serves local referrals from parole, probation, jail, family and other related agencies.
- Pre-release identification and provide community referral.
- Pre-release appointment setting for COC appointments.
- Pre-release veterans coordination.
- Post release screening and linkage to appropriate services.
- Psychiatric and medication services.
- Coordination and ongoing collaboration with supervising officers.
- Benefits application assistance.
- Jail Screening to assess current mental health needs.

Qualifying Diagnoses

- Bipolar Disorder
- Major Depressive Disorder (MDD)
- Schizophrenia
 - Schizoaffective Disorder
- Psychotic Disorder
- HB1908 - effective 9/1/2015 – PTSD, Anxiety Disorder, Delusional Disorder and any other mental health diagnoses that are severe or persistent in nature on case by case basis.

TCOOMMI Program Services

Case Management

- Intensive Case Management (ICM)
 - 3.5 hours of comprehensive team oriented services.
 - Focusing on High Risk-Moderate Risk/High clinical needs of clients.
 - Caseload ratio of 25-1.

- Transitional Case Management (TCM)
 - 1.5 hours of transition/step down oriented services.
 - Focusing on Moderate Risk/Moderate clinical need of clients.
 - Caseload ratio 75-1.

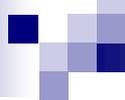
Demonstrate more appropriate and cost effective alternatives to incarceration.



Components of Case Management include, but are not limited to:

- Case Management;
- Rehabilitation/Psychological Services;
- Substance Abuse Treatment;
- Psychiatric Services;
- Medication Monitoring;
- Linkage to Hospice and Medical Services.

*Not all services are available in every county



Section 614.013

Health and Safety Code

Memorandum of Understanding

In accordance with Health and Safety Code Section 614.013, TDCJ entered into a formal agreement, also known as a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), with the Department of State Health Services (DSHS), the Department of Public Safety (DPS), LMHAs, and Community Supervision and Corrections Department (CSCD), to institute a continuity of care and service program for offenders with mental impairments in the criminal justice system.

Section 614.017, Health and Safety Code

614.017 Exchange of Information

An agency shall:

- (1) receive information relating to a special needs offender regardless of whether other state law makes that information confidential, if the agency receives the information to further the purposes of this chapter; or
- (2) disclose information relating to a special needs offender, including information about the offender's identity, needs, treatment, social, criminal, and vocational history, supervision status and compliance with conditions of supervision, and medical and mental health history, if the agency discloses the information to further the purposes of this chapter.

Section 614.017

Health and Safety Code

Exchange of Information

- Information obtained under this section may not be used as evidence in any criminal proceeding, unless obtained and introduced by other lawful evidentiary means.
- Individuals that have had prior mental health services in a community setting are identified through a CARE Match between DSHS and DPS. TDCJ reviews this data for determination of prior services in a community based setting for COC purposes.

Why These Community-Based Programs Work

- Joint staffing between local and state criminal justice (CSCD, Jail, Parole, Probation), the local mental health authority (LMHA) and other treatment providers as well as juvenile justice when appropriate;
- Cross-training (courts, CSCDs, treatment providers);
- Co-location of staff to improve coordination and communication regarding services for clients;
- Identification and referral process;
- Sharing of relevant information (HSC 614.017)