

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

October 2015

Community Corrections – The DCJ auditors arrived at the facility on Monday to begin a full facility audit that includes the Community and IRT programs. There are a total of 5 auditors that will be at the facility for the entire week. We will participate in the exit review on Friday. The facility has not had an audit of this type in 4 years and we are anxious to see how we score. The audit is intense and staff are holding up well.

The referrals continue to be steady and we have not had any community issues that have surfaced that need our attention. We are still supported by law enforcement and Parole.

There is a movement to shorten the length of Parole from 5 years to 2 years. The argument for such a radical change has to do with the projected savings to the state in dollars, officer time on violations, local jail time and related processing costs. The concern for community corrections is the potential dwindling of this type of referrals. It appears to have support from a very wide support group throughout the judiciary and law enforcement. We will keep you updated as information comes our way.

ICHP – The job description for the Executive Directors position has finally been agreed upon and is now posted. There are some board members that want to remove VO from providing financial service and keeping it in-house. The interest is to move away from VO and take on these tasks internally and thus giving the new Executive Director more control. There is no support for this by other board members who wish to continue with the same model. The model in question is similar to what Arnold and CHP use, which has been very successful. At the end of the day there continues to be a power struggle to see who will have control over ICHP going forward.

The Department of Health Policy and Finance has developed a concept paper to help move the discussion on how to guide the Accountable Care Collaborative Phase II. This document is designed to eliminate capitation as we know it today. The model that they want to replace it with is fee for service. As you guessed the proposal is very concerning given that we have been successful in taking risk. The trend to change is very strong in the departments and now that the concept paper is out we will regroup and work to develop a response to this new system of care proposal.

The new RFP will have this payment model and many more changes that we have yet to understand. As you can imagine this creates a very big challenge for the next director of ICHP as both care coordination and behavioral health care are put into one entity.

Building purchase – We purchased the Sigmond building on October 21, 2015. We will start the repairs identified in the property inspection report and hope to have the building available to

emergency services and crisis teams some time in December. The property was purchased with a commercial loan from Alamosa State Bank and we used the duplex apartment units as collateral so that agency funds would not be needed to secure the loan. We hope to put in place an aggressive payment schedule on the loan amount of \$327,000.

2014 Audit – Ron Farmer will be presenting the audit.

Special Guest – Sandy Gutierrez, Executive Director of SyCare will join us for the board meeting.