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## Criminal Justice Services Board (CJSB) Executive Committee

March 4, 2020

#### Members Present

Ms. Tonya Chapman, Chair Mr. David Johnson Mr. Jagdish Katyal The Hon. Bryan Porter, Vice-Chair Colonel Gary Settle Chief Kelvin Wright Members Absent
Chief Craig Branch
Sheriff Vanessa Crawford

#### I. Call to Order

Chairman Tonya Chapman called the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Criminal Justice Services Board to order at 2:00 p.m. A quorum was present.

# **II. Approval of Minutes**

Colonel Gary Settle made the motion to approve the minutes from the October 29, 2019, Executive Committee meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Jagdish Katyal. Chief Kelvin Wright abstained. The motion passed.

# **III. Grant Approval**

Grant Funding Approval for Peer-Supported Critical Incident Stress Management (CISM)
 Solicitation

Mr. Tracey Matthews, Law Enforcement Grant Supervisor, Department of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS), gave a summary of the CISM grant solicitation.

The Virginia Law Enforcement Assistance Program (VALEAP) offers a multi-faceted approach to the provision of stress management support to Virginia law enforcement professionals including police officers, deputies, communications officers and their families through Post Critical Incident Seminar and Critical Incident Stress Management services.

These services are intended to mitigate the adverse effects of incident-specific and cumulative stress inherent to the Law enforcement profession, which profoundly impact a law enforcement professional's performance, health and career longevity.

The proposed project includes:

- Hosting three (3) Post Critical Incident Seminars (to include lodging, meals and mileage);
- Providing Critical Incident Management Services (CISM) to law enforcement personnel;
- Training additional CISM staff through the International Critical Incident Stress Foundation (ICISF).

Mr. David Johnson made a motion to approve grant funding in the amount of \$99,055 for the CISM grants as recommended by DCJS staff, to begin March 25, 2020, and end June 30, 2021. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bryan Porter and approved unanimously.

• Grant Funding Approval for Pilot Telemedicine Project for Child Abuse Examinations (Victims of Crime Act Funding)

Ms. Laurel Marks, Juvenile Services Manager, Department of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS), gave a summary of the Telemedicine Project for Child Abuse Examinations grant solicitation.

Under the leadership of Dr. Robin Foster, MD, Child Protection Team Medical Director and Pediatric Emergency Department Attending Physician, the Children's Hospital of Richmond at VCU proposes to pilot the use of telemedicine to expand support related to child maltreatment screening by increasing accessibility to a physician who is board certified in child abuse and advanced-practice nursing providers who are trained in forensic interviews and exams. The proposed model would provide support 24 hours per day, 7 days per week, 365 days per year. Currently, the team is proposing that screening for physical abuse cases and alleged sexual assault cases that do not require physical evidence recovery kits (PERK) will be conducted in the nearest Child Advocacy Center, Monday-Friday, from 8am-5pm. Between 5pm and 8am, child physical abuse cases would be screened in the VCU Health Community Memorial Hospital emergency department. Screening for child sexual assault cases requiring a PERK will occur in the emergency department. Pilot localities include Mecklenburg County, Brunswick County, and portions of Lunenburg and Halifax Counties. The proposed Telehealth project meets a priority recommendation first set forth in 2017 by the CASA/CJA Advisory Committee. Upon successful completion of the pilot, conversation will take place about how to make this resource available across Virginia.

Chief Wright made a motion to approve grant funding in the amount of \$350,000 for the Pilot Telemedicine Project for Child Abuse Examinations as recommended by DCJS staff. The motion was seconded by Mr. Katyal and approved unanimously.

The standards have not been updated since 2016, and there are changes in the Code and in practice that need to be updated. DCJS is recommending that an Ad Hoc committee be established for this reason. The committee will begin their work in June and will bring their suggestions before the full CJSB at the October meeting. Ms. Chapman approved of this committee.

### **IV. Public Comment**

No public comment was provided.

# V. Adjournment

Chief Wright made a motion, seconded by Colonel Settle, to adjourn at 2:12 p.m. The motion was passed unanimously.