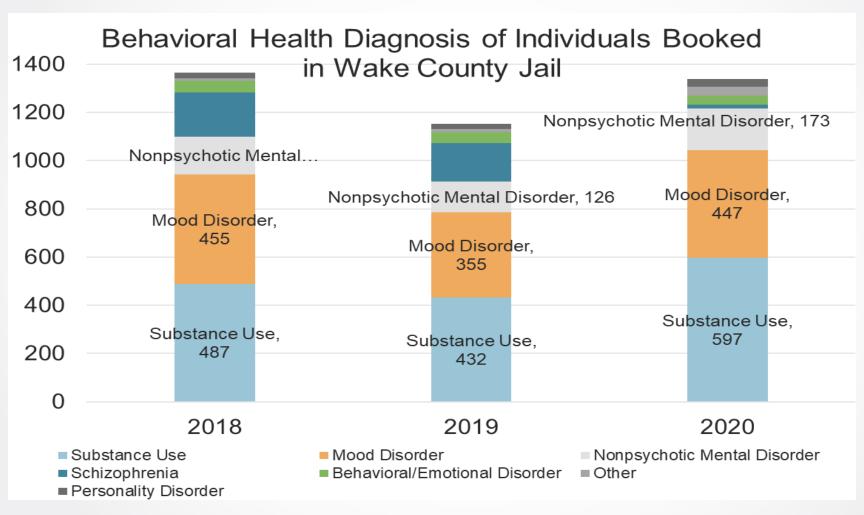
### Focus Area Review: Criminal Justice

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## Community Aspirations as Pertain to the Criminal Justice System

- Criminal Justice System as a Last Resort
  - Community commitment to divert away from the criminal justice system individuals suffering from mental illness and substance use disorders in all cases where it is appropriate.
- Individuals living stable healthful lives within our community
  - Community commitment to supporting those suffering with behavioral health needs such that we end recidivism.

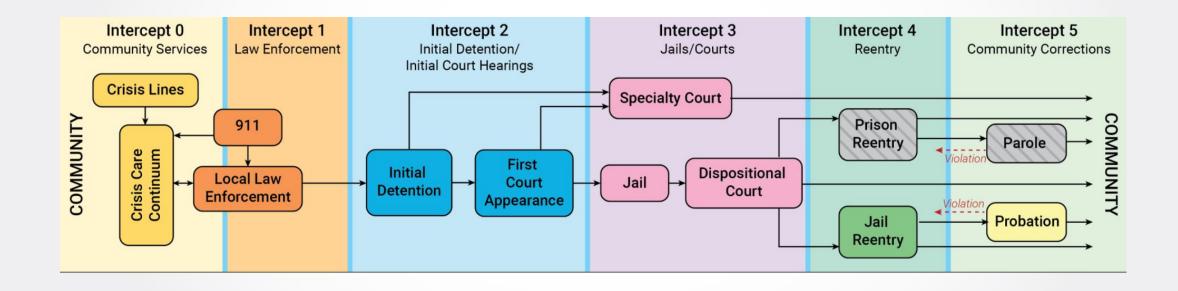
## Criminal Justice Measure – Individuals Booked in Wake County Jail known to Behavioral Health System 2018 - 2020



## Top Diagnosis – CJLeads Data (FY20)

Diagnosis (ICD)	Consumers	
Opioid dependence, uncomplicated	282	
Alcohol dependence, uncomplicated	144	
Bipolar disorder, unspecified	102	
Schizoaffective disorder, bipolar type	102	
Schizophrenia, unspecified	90	
Major depressv disorder, recurrent severe w/o psych features	83	
Post-traumatic stress disorder, unspecified	83	
Major depressive disorder, recurrent, moderate	75	
Cocaine dependence, uncomplicated	70	
Major depressive disorder, single episode, unspecified	69	
Alcohol dependence with withdrawal, unspecified	44	

# Where are key opportunities to intervene?



#### **Criminal Justice**

#### **Key Achievements- Pre Arrest Diversion**

- Launched enhanced mobile crisis program with EMS
- Opened Behavioral Health Urgent Care
- Increased capacity at WakeBrook
- Implemented NC CARE360
- Supported Oak City Cares Opening
- Newly created ACORNS unit within the Raleigh Police Department

### **Criminal Justice**

#### **Key Achievements- Improved Court interventions**

- Support of Mental Health Deferral Program
- Continued Funding for Wake County Recovery Court
- Created Court Liaison social worker position
- Creation of Behavioral Health/Criminal Justice Collaboration
- Expanded case management at detention center

### **Criminal Justice**

#### **Key Achievements- Reentry**

- Launched post-release intensive case management program
- Supported funding for 281 new permanent supportive housing units
- Piloted transitional supportive housing program

## Measuring Success: What should we measure to demonstrate results?

- Rates of arrests and incarcerations of individuals known to behavioral health system
- Lengths of stay of individuals known to behavioral health system
- Recidivism of individuals known to behavioral health system
- Participation in pre-trial programs to avoid incarceration
- Other key measures?

#### **Criminal Justice Initiatives**

Reduce the number of people with mental illnesses in jail.

Α	Expand pre-charge diversion programs for juveniles and adults.
В	Improve pre-conviction diversion programs.
С	Improve coordination between post-conviction, recidivism-reduction programs with NC probation and parole programs
D	Expand availability of substance use disorder treatment, including medication assisted treatment (MAT) within jail.
Е	Provide access to medication upon release from jail.
F	Increase mental health training for criminal justice staff.
G	Create an intensive case management team that assists public defenders, district attorneys, jail command staff, and judges with inmates who have complex behavioral health needs.
Н	Improve re-entry program linkages to social determinants of health resources, mental and behavioral health resources, and substance use recovery resources.
I	Continue advocating for Medicaid to be suspended rather than terminated when an individual is incarcerated.
J	Connect peer support specialists with case management teams and inmates prior to release. Inmates should meet with peer supports while they are still incarcerated.