

HB356 Pilot Program Study Committee Meeting
Date: November 13, 2015, 12pm-12:45pm

In Attendance:

Ali Abid (Chicago Appleseed Fund for Justice, Justice Advisory Council)

Ray Robinson (Community Representative, Cook County Board President
Preckwinkle)

Karen Conway (Chicago Police Department)

Ed Kaup (Chicago Police Department)

Tom Stoyer [spelling?] (Chicago Police Department)

Kevin Hughes (Cook County State's Attorneys Office)

Jan Johnson (Division of Forensic Services of the Department of State Police)

Tony Iweagwu (Senior Policy Advisor, Office of the Mayor)

Absent:

Matt Burke (Cook County Department of Corrections)

Kevin Hughes (Cook County State's Attorneys Office)

Business

Discussion on status of project

- 2 kits are in place in the 6th district station (XCat units from RedXDefense)
- Training will consist of a e-learning component for all watches of the 6th district
- E-learning component is still in development
- Policy has been finalized, Legal Affairs have reviewed it, Karen Conway will distribute
- How was 6th district arrived at as the location? Through meetings with Patrol; idea was to have district that neither has the most or least amount of drug arrests.
- Who trained the administrators of the pilot? Vice President of Sales from RedXDefense.
- Accuracy level of tests is high, ~99.8%. Turnaround time is 5-10 seconds on results.

- Machine doesn't do a print out. The results will be noted in the case report which is part of the arrest packet which arrives at bond court.
- What is the make up of the 6th district? How many drug arrests do you see in a month? Conversationally related as ~632 arrests in 2014, ~395 of which were misdemeanors. This does not include citations. CPD representatives will send statistics.
- Final order or directive is not online yet. Policy is to not issue the directive till the training is complete. Legal affairs have already reviewed.
- Training will go live by the end of November.
- Where did the CPD get the money from? Organized Crime Bureau.
- When will implementation be rolled out? Mid December to early January.
- Group agreed that trying to roll it out in mid December would be best, so there would be something to report on for the first legislative report.

On moving up time to preliminary hearing

- Will need to work with SAO, (Kevin Hughes representative) on how the agency can work to schedule earlier preliminary hearings now that test results will be available to them starting from Bond Court.
- Also should gauge the role of the judiciary, clerk's office, and public defender's office in setting the preliminary hearing date.
- What is the likely response going to be from judiciary and public defender's office? Open question regarding judicial education and notice to public defenders of the change. Perhaps sending information to Presiding Judge Wright and Public Defender Amy Campanelli.

On data collection necessary for committee reports and gauging program effectiveness

- Statute mandates that jail bed days and times to preliminary hearing being tallied for all those who are sent to CCDOC subject to a field testing drug result.
- Must have a follow-up phone conversation with Matt Burke (CCDOC) and Kevin Hughes (SAO) to work out how best this information can be collected.
- Important to have this worked out soon as first report is due December 31 and pilot should launch before then.

Next Steps

- Schedule a phone conversation, particularly including Matt Burke and Kevin Hughes to address issues relating to data collection moving up preliminary hearing dates.
- Receive and distribute CPD's policy on the program and information on XCat kits.

Meeting minutes prepared by Ali Abid, Chicago Appleseed Fund for Justice

How are we going to determine who is in the pilot program?

Field-Testing Pilot Notes from Phone call November 24, 9:30am.

Discussion regarding tracking the jail days between arrest and preliminary hearing for those in the program. Matt Burke will look into the ability for CCDOC to provide this. Possible question for Kevin Hughes as well.

Discussion regarding how the time to preliminary hearing will actually be scheduled earlier for these individuals. Question for Kevin Hughes.

Discussion regarding creating a control group. The standard time to preliminary hearing for drug offenses is based on 2012 data. Discussed whether CCDOC could get pool average numbers for those not in the control group. Will revisit this discussion soon.