

Douglas County Mental Health Services

Informational Session Agenda

Crisis Response Teams

An Informational Session was conducted in July to hear what resources are available in Douglas County to assist families experiencing youth challenges and in comparison, what tools Sarpy County's Crisis Management Team (CMT) is using to address the needs of some of their behavioral or mental health youth.

From seeing a progressive increase of youth with diagnosed mental health conditions increasing at the Youth Center, we're hoping, the discussion could lead to better pathways to access behavioral/mental health services for families in Douglas County.

Lutheran Family Services

Any law enforcement entity in Douglas, Dodge and Washington Counties can access the Lutheran Family Service program, along with families through the Nebraska Family Helpline and any homeless shelter in those 3 counties.

Additional conversations on how the Douglas County Crisis Response Teams can be used to assist families with behavioral issues are set for further discussion. Douglas County is also recognized by the Stepping Up Initiative as a model county.

Our goal is to look at utilization as well as other prevention options for families limiting the number of youth entering the Juvenile Justice System.

A system point meeting is being scheduled to discuss possible resource options for families.