### Justice Process & Intervention Opportunities Map

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**COUNTY JAIL** 

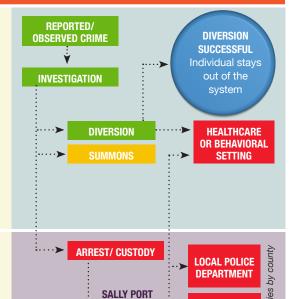
## COMMUNITY SERVICES/ PRE- SYSTEM ENTRY

# THE SYSTEM

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### POINTS OF INTERVENTION:

- Offer evidence-based trainings to prepare law enforcement to interact and engage with individuals with Autism, I/DD or MH diagnoses
- Introduce individual to police and local crisis staff
- Assess individual for potential risk and develop strategies to mitigate
- Prepare card with emergency contacts and numbers to keep in wallet
- Ensure they understand the meanings of, "you have the right to remain silent" and "you have the right to an attorney"
- Reduce rates of recidivism with supports for housing and employment
- Teach the importance of sharing diagnoses and self disclosure
- Utilize social stories as a strategy to assist in preparing for justice scenarios



**PROCESSING** 

[Can take up to 10 hours]

### POINTS OF INTERVENTION:

- Respond to crisis and/or police department
- Contact emergency diversion unit, mobile crisis, or peer specialist
- Encourage police to take individual to stabilization unit, walk-in service or respite instead of jail
- Prep individual for processing phase
- Contact the jail and ask them for their process for how you can stay up to date on the current status of the individual (website, phone number, etc.)

### POINTS OF INTERVENTION:

- If State supports are not involved, they need to be at this level. Contact defense counsel so they have the appropriate contact information and request that you (and anyone else identified) be added to the individual's visitor list
- Review updates to case, including information about the defense counsel by locating the docket sheet: https://ujsportal.pacourts. us/DocketSheets/CP.aspx
  - \*De-identify: name, MJ#, and MDJ# for consults
- Engage the public defender or private defense counsel in (1) identifying necessary medication the individual may need and (2) offering helpful information for the interview with the Behavioral Unit and (3) explain the importance of utilizing social stories as a strategy to assist in preparing for justice scenarios (provide resources, if necessary)
- Identify if a competency evaluation is needed or already occurring
- Inform defense counsel of services being put into place and discuss what progress the participant is able to make in order for a dismissal or a withdrawal to occur
- Discuss completion of a Petition of Competency Evaluation and ARD with the defense before the Adjudication phase

CHARGES FILED
Felonies or Misdemeanors

PRELIMINARY ARRAIGNMENT

BAIL OR DETENTION HEARING

CRITICAL TIME OF INTERVENTION!

6 WEEKS

PRELIMINARY HEARING

(occurs within 10 days of the arrest, unless postponed)



Transfer out of the MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT COURT

to the COURT OF COMMON PLEAS

PRE-TRIAL SERVICES

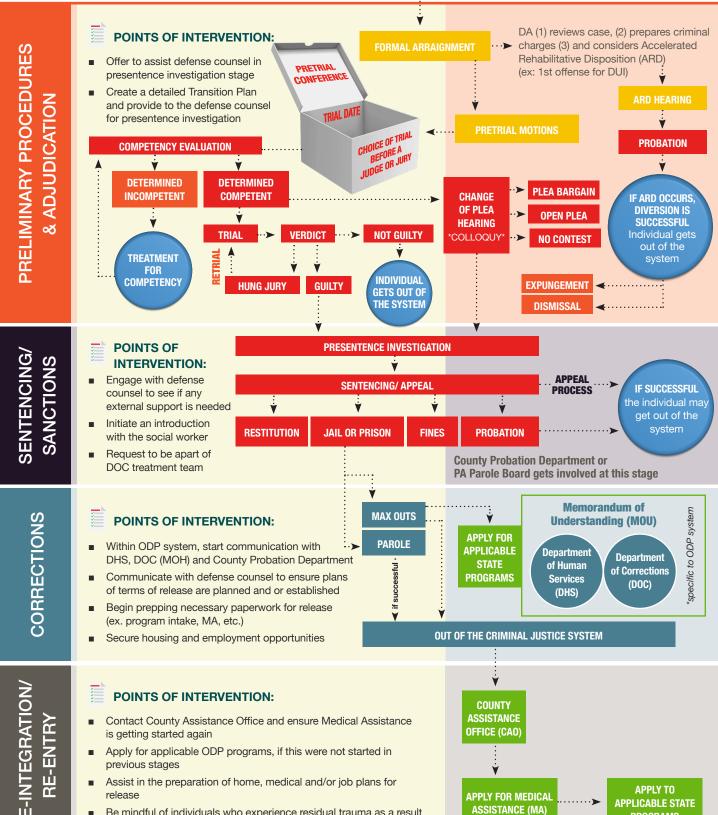
**PROSECUTION** 

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### RE-INTEGRATION/ ENTRY 귭





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Be mindful of individuals who experience residual trauma as a result

of the experience and ensure strategies are in place to address it

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