Mental Health Core Service Agency Advisory Board:
Access to Treatment Subcommittee Report
Cecil County Community Health Advisory Committee
January 15, 2015

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MD 2014 Goal 2652.6
Data Source: Maryland Health Services Cost Review Commission (HSCRC) Statewide Outpatient Data Files.

Overview of activities:
July 2014 – December 2014

Establishment of a Crisis Intervention Team
- The Mental Health CSA Advisory Board’s Access to Treatment subcommittee focused on the development and implementation of Crisis Intervention Teams (CIT) for Cecil County. CIT is a collaborative community effort enjoining law enforcement, first responders, and other local community agencies together for the common goals of safety, understanding, and appropriate service to the behavioral health population and their families.

- On September 10th Matt Watkins and Carol Masden of Affiliated Santé Group (ASG) delivered the first four hour CIT training to 10 supervisory police officers within Elkton Police Department and 2 Core Service Agency staff.

- In October, staff from Cecil County Health Department and Union Hospital, along with Matt Watkins and Carol Masden of Affiliated Santé Group attended the International Crisis Intervention Team Conference held in Monterey California.

- In December, Matt Watkins and Gwen Parrack (CCHD) attended the Chiefs of Police meeting to provide an overview of CIT and recruit participation for the next trainings.

- Two more CIT trainings are scheduled for 2/5/15 and 2/12/15 at Cecil County Health Department.