



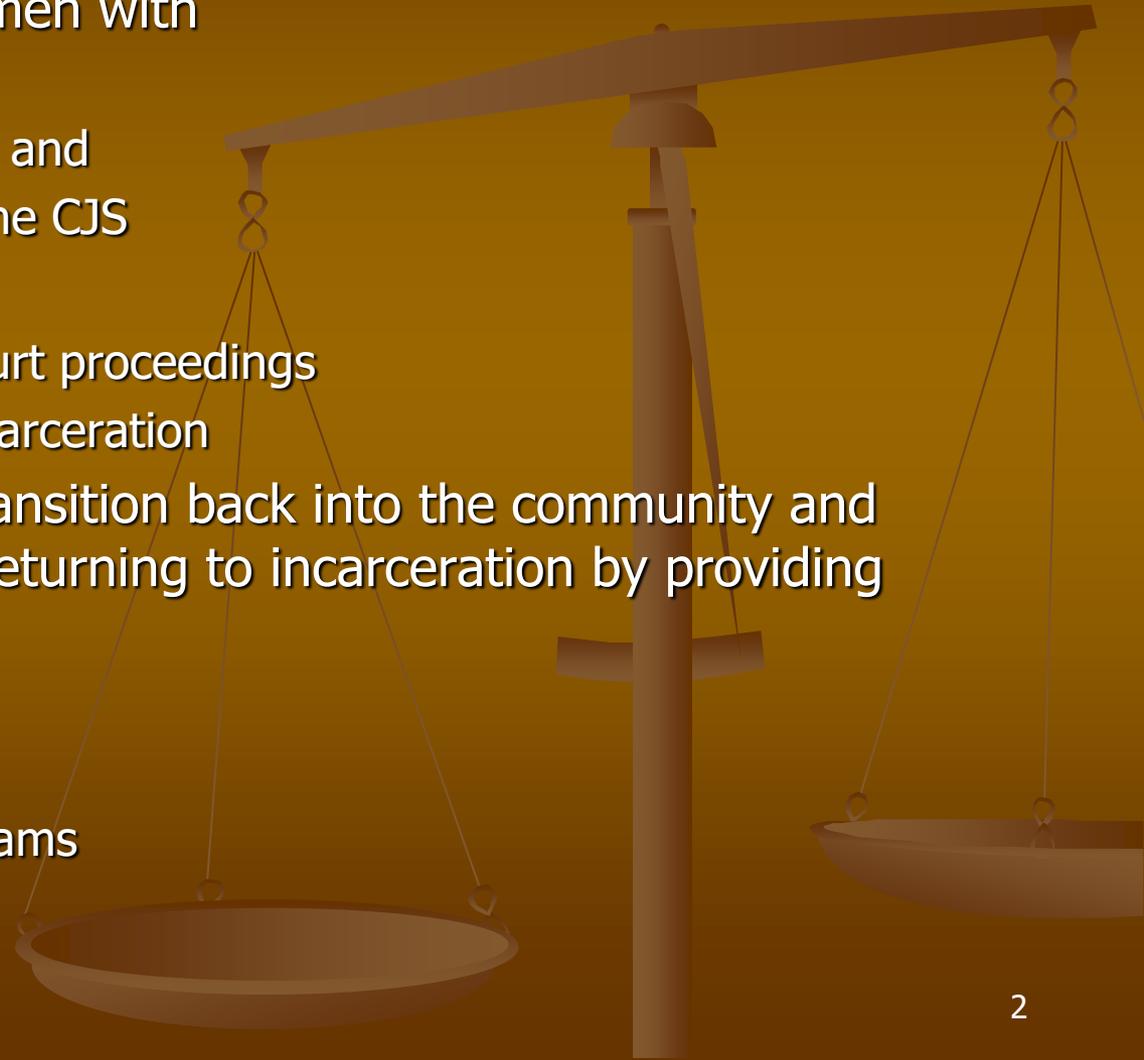
Allegheny County Justice Related Services

From **Point of Initial Contact/Diversion** to
Treatment Courts to **Reintegration** from
County and State Correctional Institutions

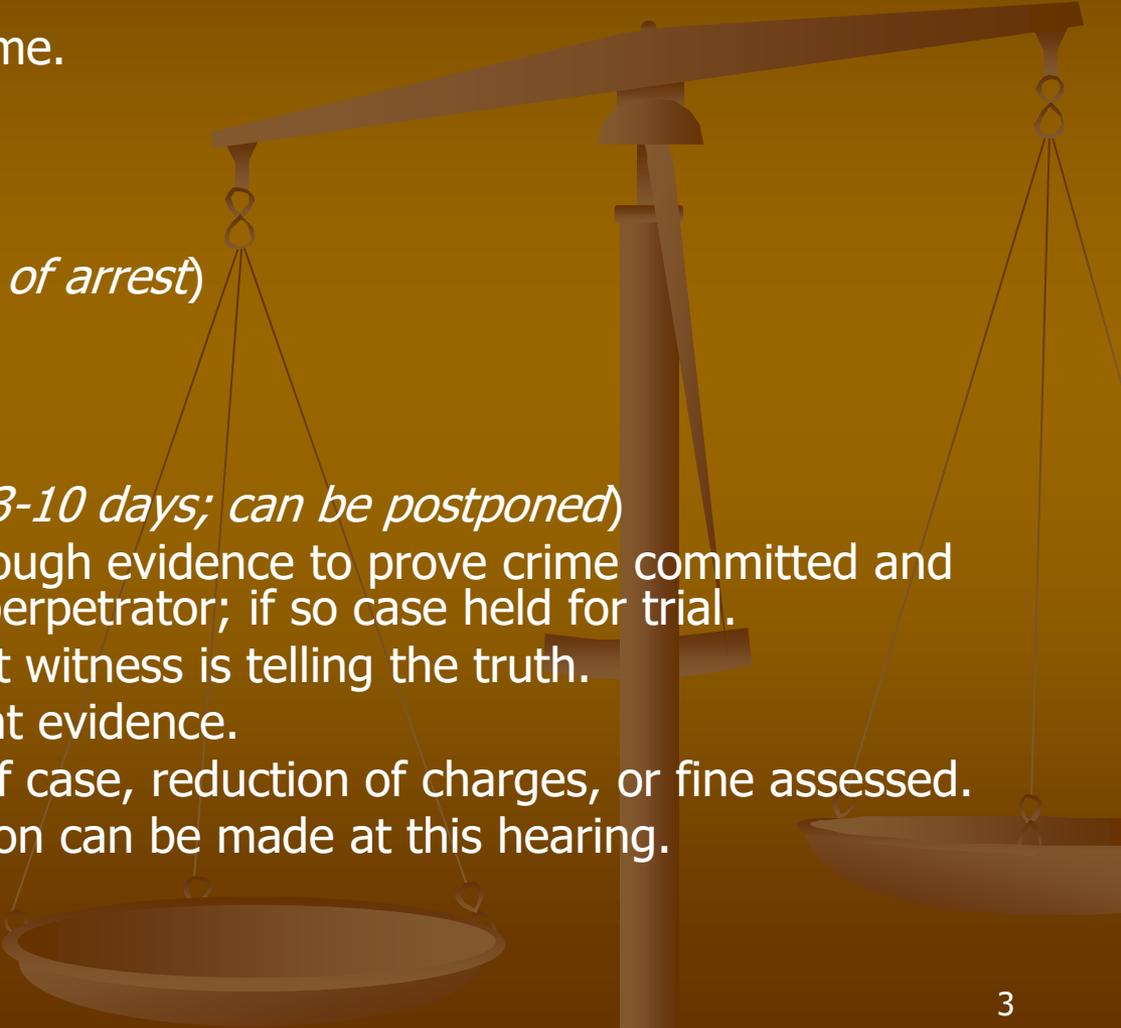
Allegheny County Department of Human Services
Justice Related Services

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- Support for men and women with
 - mental illness and/or
 - substance use disorders and
 - who are involved with the CJS
- Is provided
 - during and following court proceedings
 - during and following incarceration
- To promote successful transition back into the community and reduce the likelihood of returning to incarceration by providing access to
 - treatment
 - supports
 - recovery-oriented programs



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Arrest

- Caught committing a crime.
- Arrest warrant issued.
- Probable cause.

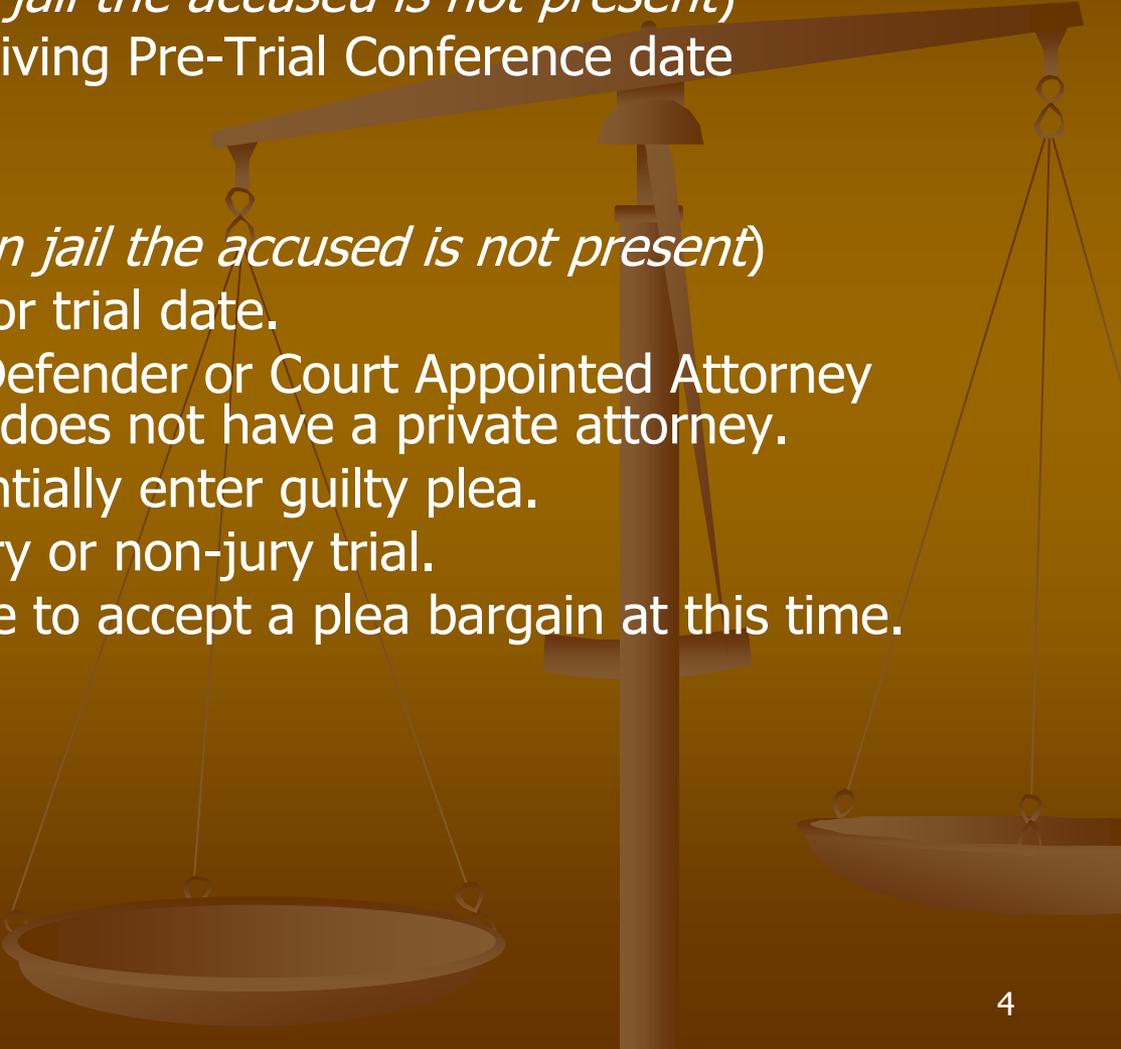
Arraignment (*Within 72 hours of arrest*)

- Held at magistrate level.
- Bond is set.

Preliminary Hearing (*Within 3-10 days; can be postponed*)

- Determines if there's enough evidence to prove crime committed and that the accused is the perpetrator; if so case held for trial.
- Court must presume that witness is telling the truth.
- Defense does not present evidence.
- May result in dismissal of case, reduction of charges, or fine assessed.
- A motion for bail reduction can be made at this hearing.

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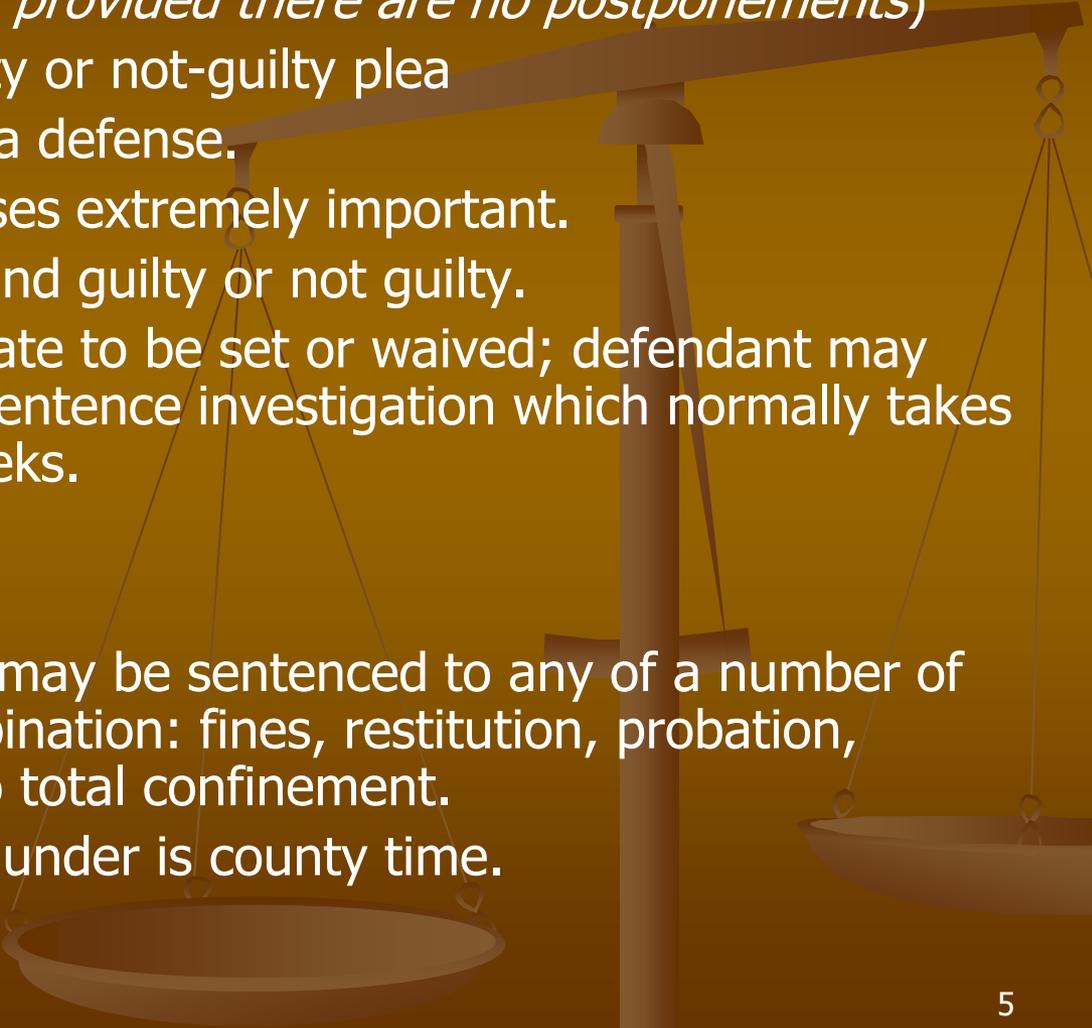
Formal Arraignment (*If in jail the accused is not present*)

- Signing of subpoena giving Pre-Trial Conference date
- Judge assignment.

Pre-Trial Conference (*If in jail the accused is not present*)

- Signing of subpoena for trial date.
- DA and either Public Defender or Court Appointed Attorney Assigned if defendant does not have a private attorney.
- Defendant could potentially enter guilty plea.
- Defendant chooses jury or non-jury trial.
- Defendant may choose to accept a plea bargain at this time.

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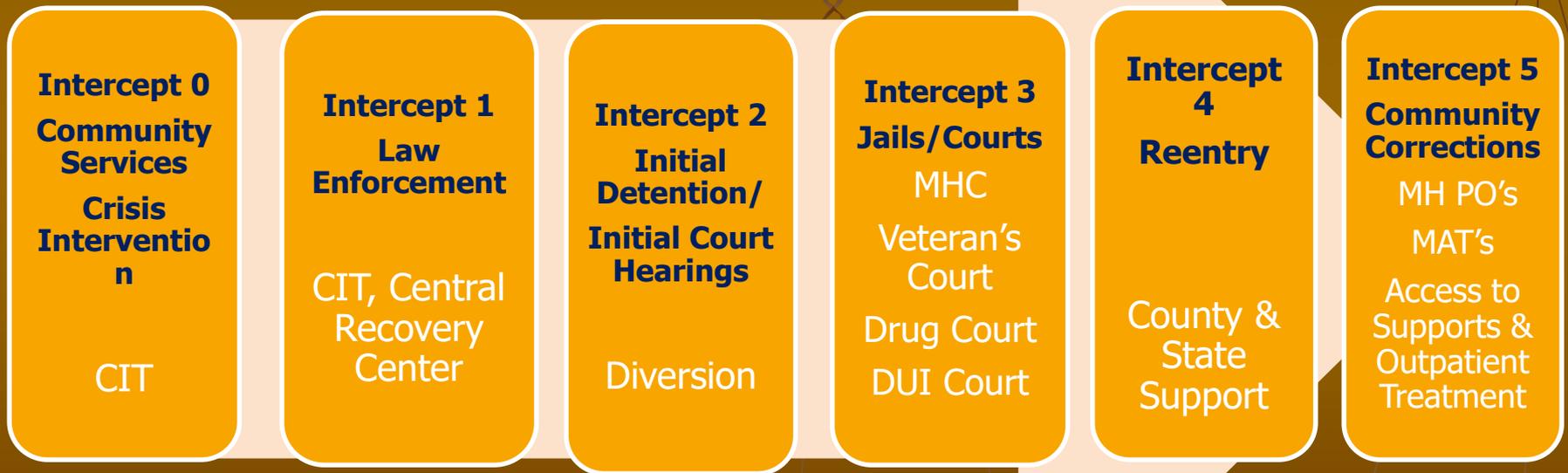
Trial (*up to 180 days or less provided there are no postponements*)

- Defendant enters guilty or not-guilty plea
- Accused may present a defense.
- Believability of witnesses extremely important.
- Defendant may be found guilty or not guilty.
- If guilty, sentencing date to be set or waived; defendant may choose to have a presentence investigation which normally takes an additional 8-10 weeks.

Sentencing

- A person found guilty may be sentenced to any of a number of options, often in combination: fines, restitution, probation, alternative housing, to total confinement.
- 2 days less 2 years or under is county time.

Allegheny County Sequential Intercept Model



Justice Related Services

- **CIT---Pre-Arrest Diversion**
- **Diversion---Front Door of the County Jail**
 - **Post-booking**
- **Mental Health Court**
- **Veterans Court**
- **Drug Court**
- **DUI Court**

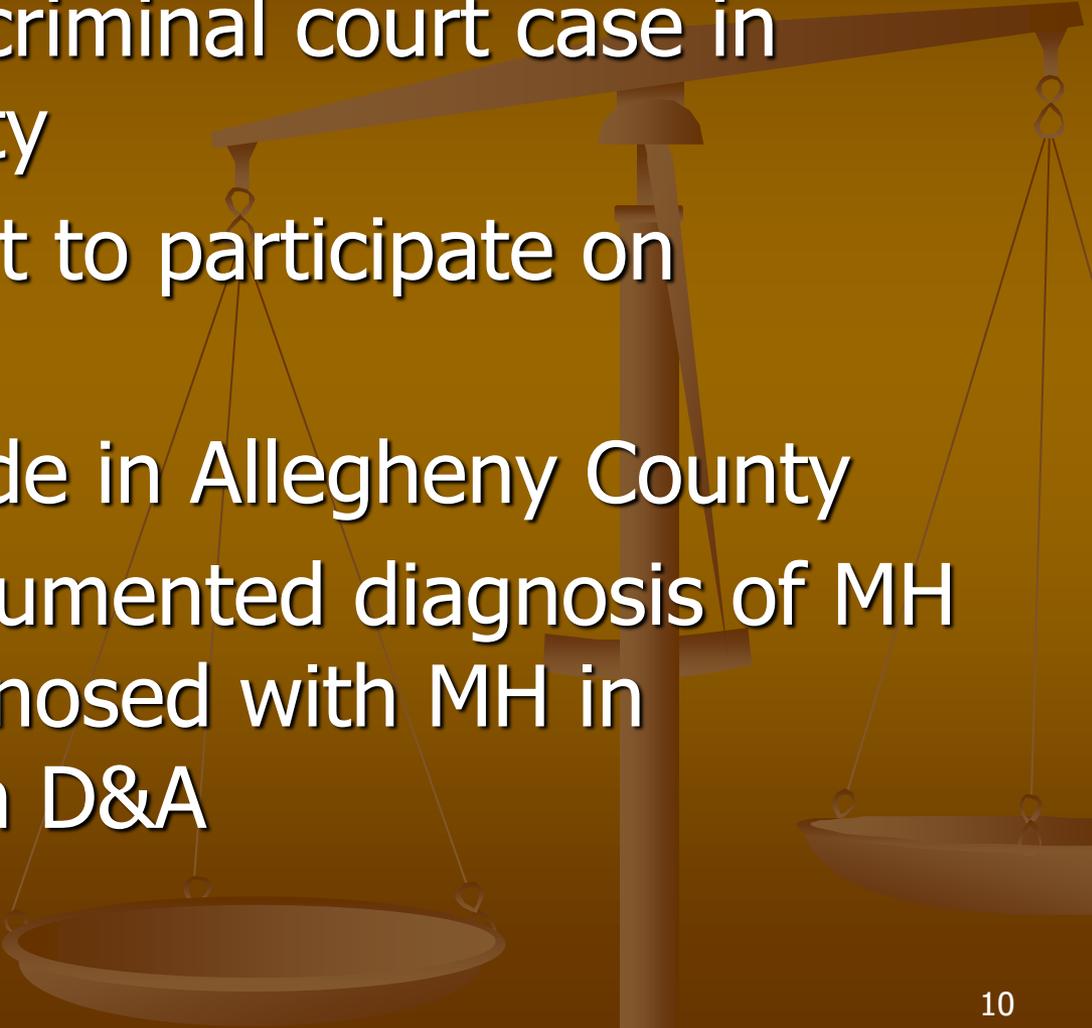
Justice Related Services

- **County Support**---Back Door of the County Jail
- **State Support**---Offenders with mental illness maxing out of the state correctional institutions (SCIs)
- **JRS IL**- Transition age Youth

All Justice-Related Services Include:

- **Assessment**
- **Service Planning/Written Service Plan Presented to the Court**
- **Service Coordination referrals**
- **Housing Options**
- **Referrals for Treatment and other supports**
- **Contingency Funds for: Housing Support, Clothes, Transportation, State ID, Vital Records**
- **Assistance with reinstatement or obtaining Medicaid and SSI Benefits**
- **Follow-up and Monitoring in the Community (Including communication with probation/parole/courts)**

Criteria



- Active pending criminal court case in Allegheny County
- Client must want to participate on voluntary basis
- Client must reside in Allegheny County
- Client has a documented diagnosis of MH or is dually diagnosed with MH in conjunction with D&A

Questions??????

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