

	Prevention	Response	Treatment	Community Infrastructure
Networking <i>Exchange info</i>	Douglas and Sarpy counties	Douglas County	Douglas and Sarpy counties	Not there yet, but this process is a great first step.
Coordination <i>Exchange info</i> <i>Alter activities</i>				
Cooperation <i>Exchange info</i> <i>Alter activities</i> <i>Share resources</i>				
Collaboration <i>Exchange info</i> <i>Alter activities</i> <i>Share resources</i> <i>Enhance capacity</i>		Sarpy County		

Collaboration:

Collaboration involves sharing risks, rewards, resources and responsibilities. Collaboration includes centralized infrastructure, dedicated staff, structured processes that lead to common agenda, shared measurements, continuous communication and mutually reinforced activities.

Collaboration entails regular meetings; staffing cases; clear roles, expectations and accountabilities for each other; working together on setting goals; and focusing on identifying and working toward needed system changes.

We agreed that we need to be working as a metro area to achieve the highest level possible in the collaboration continuum in all four areas. We also agreed that improved collaboration at first 3 levels (prevention, response and treatment) will lead to improved community infrastructure.

Recommendations to help move Douglas County Response toward greater collaboration:

- Need enhanced information sharing and clarification of roles, responsibilities and goals to move beyond networking to collaboration level.
- Need agreed upon mission and vision as a network of responders.
- Mapping of the system is needed. From this work the gaps and needed plans can become clearer.
- DVCC should have the role as convener of this effort and provide the structure and leadership for the networking group. DVCC needs to become the Douglas County CRT and not the community planning/collaboration entity or 'governing structure'. Membership focus for the DVCC (as the CRT) should be on those who doing the work rather than leadership of representative organizations.

Metro Collaboration Team

- Representation comes from each county's CRT and they are representing the CRT not their agency/department
- Collaboration team members should be those actually doing the work
- Team must be small enough to be effective
- The Team's work should be:
 - ✓ Sharing best practices
 - ✓ Identifying and resolving inter-jurisdictional issues
 - ✓ Metro wide planning
 - Identifying gaps
 - Assessing funding opportunities for potential joint applications
 - Advise on standards for service provision across jurisdictions
 - Coordinate metro wide prevention efforts
 - Assess community infrastructure and prioritize planning and the focus of improvement efforts

