Review of NCSL's Pennington County, S.D. Site Visit

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Care Campus

- Mission: "Promoting safety and justice to improve the quality of life in our community."
- Located on the site of a former college campus in downtown Rapid City across the street from the jail, courts and law enforcement offices.
- Launched in Sept. 2018 as a partnership between the sheriff, county health and human services, local police and Behavior Management Systems.
- Services include detoxification, outpatient treatment, transitional services and access to long-term treatment options, housing, medication and healthcare services, and employment assistance.
- Includes residential treatment floor, coordination with crisis center and law enforcement access.



Care Campus



Sally Port Entry for Law Enforcement

 Law enforcement has immediate access to intake coordinators to facilitate smooth transition.



Outpatient and Walk-In Services

 24-hour care for individuals struggling with mental health or substance use disorder.

Pooling Resources

• Co-located with other county and state resources like the Veterans Service Office.



Amnesty Boxes

 All facility entrances have amnesty boxes to handle prohibited substances and paraphernalia.



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Residential Treatment

 Men's and women's residential treatment floors for more intensive treatment options.



Outpatient Treatment

 Access to myriad types of treatment including intensive methamphetamine treatment and more.

Detox and Sobering

 24/7 monitoring and withdrawal management services. Includes counseling services to explain treatment options and make referrals.



Coordination with Law Enforcement

 Safe solutions is an alternative to jail for intoxicated individuals in coordination with the sheriff's office. Connects people to services to facilitate sobriety.



Pivot Point

Crisis Stabilization Center





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Pivot Point is a 16-bed crisis stabilization unit where people can stay for up to 5 days. A newly opened facility that started as a unit within the Care Campus.

Includes 8 recliners in the crisis care center where people can stay up to 24 hours.

Quality of Life Unit & One Heart

- Quality of Life Unit for Rapid City PD is co-located with the Care Campus. Plainclothes officers and caseworkers team up to link those experiencing homelessness or other vulnerable community members to the network of services through the Care Campus.
- In the first six months of operation, the team diverted 695 people from the jail.
- OneHeart is a transitional housing center located next door to the Care Campus.
- OneHeart included a child care facility, on-site community partners, cultural resources and other services.

