

Julie Solomon, MSW, LSCSW, MBA



Julie Solomon has spent the last fourteen years consulting with police departments and community stakeholders around the country as a subject matter expert on police reform and best practices related to crisis intervention, response to persons in mental and behavioral health crisis and officer wellness. She serves as the Associate Monitor for Crisis Intervention on the Chicago Police Department Consent Decree. The Chicago Independent Monitoring Team is responsible for compliance in seven key areas, structured around policy, training and operational practice. In addition, Ms. Solomon is an FBI trained Crisis Negotiator.

Ms. Solomon previously served as Vice President of Emergency Stabilization Services at Wyandot Behavioral Health Center in Kansas City. Ms. Solomon was instrumental in developing Justice and Behavioral Health Initiatives including: Crisis Intervention Team (CIT); Police / Mental Health Clinician Co-Responder Program; Jail Diversion Program; Justice Involved Case Management Teams; 24/7/365 Crisis Center for Law Enforcement Drop Off; Non-Person Felony Behavioral Health Court. She served as the County CIT Coordinator and on the leadership team of the Kansas State CIT council.

In addition to the above accomplishments, Ms. Solomon is the recipient of grants including: Sequential Intercept Mapping (SIMS); Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA); Trauma Informed Care in the Criminal Justice System. She has presented nationally on topics related to best practices with law enforcement response to mental and behavioral health crisis and building successful justice and mental health partnerships. She is the author of a Community Guide to Best Practices for Alternative Response to Persons in Mental and Behavioral Health Crisis produced by Effective Law Enforcement for All (ELE4A). She is an instructor of a law enforcement e-learning on Recognizing and Responding to Persons in Mental and Behavioral Health Crisis, produced by Training Response Network, Inc.

Ms. Solomon served as a key stakeholder in writing, testifying and ultimately passing a state statute (House Bill -Crisis Intervention Act) revising the involuntary commitment statutes in Kansas to create a 72-hour involuntary treatment option at the local crisis center rather than law enforcement transport to the state hospital over an hour away.

Ms. Solomon is committed to supporting law enforcement and communities in the implementation of evidence-based practices which serve to strengthen policing, while building community trust.

She graduated from Western Michigan University with a Bachelor's in Criminal Justice and Psychology, from Smith College School of Social Work with her Master's in Social Work and from the University of St. Mary with her Master's in Business Administration.