





Presentation Overview

This presentation will focus on the



(or timeline) on a specific case study

LAW & ORDER T.B. Case Study – *The Order*

9/9/11 (Friday, late afternoon)	9/10/11 (Saturday, early am)	9/13/11 (Tuesday)
<p>Case referred from FFX Co, TB R/O.</p> <p>Telecom w client reveals + s/s of TB. - Client informed of probable TB diagnosis.</p>	<p>Investigation begins:</p> <p>Client interviewed at home; (client first states conflicting information).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Education and counseling, and masks provided. - Client advised to stay home pending sputum collection and results. <p>Three sputum cans given.</p>	<p>Client presents at clinic, -client did not show on 9/12/11, as previously agreed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Discussed need to stay out of public places, not to go to work, and wear mask at home - Client acknowledged understanding - <u>Isolation contract signed</u>

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Step	Description
Counseling Letter Treatment Order	Documentation of individual's refusal to comply; beginning of "Due Process"

Details

- Initiate when suspect is non-compliant with Voluntary Isolation
- Draft Counseling letter by PHN and sign by Health Director
- Alert VDH of initiation of Due Process
- Gather list of people and contact numbers to whom you will give notice

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9/15/11 (Thursday)	9/16/11 (Friday)	9/19/11 (Monday)
<p>Home visit done; social and medical hx reviewed.</p> <p>Inconsistencies in client reporting.</p> <p><u>Isolation instructions reinforced.</u></p>	<p>DOT'd w/o issue.</p> <p>Per a call to client's worksite, client is not at work.</p> <p>Spoke w/ client who confirms he is home.</p>	<p>Afternoon unannounced visit by ORW. <u>Client was not at home and not responding to calls-gone to work</u></p> <p><u>Client was told to leave work immediately, return home.</u></p> <p>Client reminded of the contract he signed agreeing to isolation.</p> <p>Client presented at ACPHD to explain his non-compliance.</p> <p>* DCLS reports MTD result (-) on sputa, (in error.)</p>

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9/20/11 (Tuesday)	9/21/11 (Wednesday)
Clinic Visit w/ client: Isolation instruction was re-enforced. <u>Isolation contract re-signed.</u>	TB diagnosis now confirmed by DCLS; client notified – more counsel and education. Unannounced visit by ORW at 2pm. Client not home, not answering his phone. ACPHD contacts client's work site, who reported he had just left. Health Director informed, counseling letter signed. ACPHD contacted DCHD; to advise of client's presence at worksite & isolation non-compliance and to request CI. Another home visit done to deliver counseling letter (5pm); client still not home.

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Step	Description
Request for Emergency Detention Order	Initiated when there is a continued documented pattern of non-compliance after issuing the Counseling letter

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Details

Call Virginia Hospital Center Infection Preventionist
Prepare for admission through the Emergency Dept. (ED)

- Note: If client has a PMD, may be able to have "direct admission" to Negative Pressure room for Airborne Isolation
- If no PMD, admit to Neg. Pressure room in ED, for evaluation by Hospitalist
- Begin discussion of payment source with hospital
- Request that IP communicate with Nursing Supervisor and Patient Care Director (Emergency Dept)

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Details (cont.)

- Call VDH Division of TB Control to provide information of continued non compliance; request Emergency Detention Order
- Fax copy of supporting data to Division of TB Control
- VDH I contacts Attorney General and Health Commissioner’s offices
- Call County Attorney (CAD)
- CAD prepares to file petition with District Court upon receipt of Emergency Detention Order
- Call Sheriff’s Office
- Prepare to serve the Order (request Paddy wagon)
- Assure Police Officer (s) fit tested with appropriate N-95 Mask
- Coordinate visit to client’s home to serve the order
- Call Police Dept to alert to situation for potential serving of Order

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9/22/11 (Thursday)	9/23/11 (Friday)
<p>TB Supervisor makes home visit to client, 7 am, to serve formal counseling order signed by ACPHD Health Director. Letter discussed in detail, Eng/Span.</p> <p>Unannounced visit by ORW later, same afternoon. Client was not home. Call DCPH.</p> <p>Client located by DCPH at work site and asked to return home.</p> <p>Client repeatedly counseled by both ACPHD and DCHD that day on the implications of his actions.</p>	<p>Clinic visit, client was counseled about his behavior.</p> <p>Emergency Detention Order issued by VDH and signed by the General District Court judge.</p> <p>Client transferred to negative pressure respiratory isolation at VHC for 48 hours.</p>

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(Additional Requirements)

Step	Description
Receipt of Emergency Detention Order	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Legally-enforceable requirement (carrying penalties for non-compliance) Order permits detention for 48 hours in least restrictive environment Must be signed by State Health Commissioner

Details

PHN should:

- Assess support systems already in place for shopping, meals and medical care for other health related issues
- Contact other DHS Divisions to request assistance including meals and economic support

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Details

Sheriff's Office:

- Prepares for client transport in Paddy wagon
- Wears appropriate fitting N-95
- Serves the Order; handcuffs and transports to hospital or Detention Facility (as per order)
- Calls Police Dept (may not be necessary if Sheriff's office is handling)
- HD calls VHCA Infection Preventionist
- Call ED, to alert them that Sheriff and client are in route
- Requests permission to go directly to the Airborne Isolation room
- Sends PHN to ED to discuss medical regime with admitting physician
- Takes copies of client's record for hospital staff; share copy of Detention Order

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Step

Link client to needed resources

Description

Activate systems to provide support for client while confined to home

Details

Confirm start and expected stop dates for services as appropriate

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Step

Hearing in District Court

Description

Must be within 48 hours of Emergency Detention Order

Details

- Health Commissioner must delegate authority to Local Health Director to be the Petitioner or the Health Commissioner will be present
- If the Health Director is the Petitioner, prepare for Court with the CAD in advance
- Confirm Court date and time and location
- Make copies of all medical information used to make decision for Defense Attorney, Prosecuting Attorney and Judge

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(Additional Requirements)

Details

Ascertain if client will:

- appear in Court (Assure N-95 masks if needed for Court appearance)
- conference in from Negative Pressure room in ACOF
- conference call from hospital

Ask CAD to request Sheriff's Transportation Order authorizing Sheriff's to transport client from VHCA to Court AND from Court to home

CAD will provide:

- Certified copy of Court Order to Health Commissioner
- Copies of Court order to Sheriff and Public Health

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Step	Description
Release from an Order of Isolation	Official release from Isolation (Electronic Monitoring)

Details

- Call CAD once PHD has confirmed three negative sputa
- Request Order of Participation in Counseling and Education Program to supersede Order of Isolation
- Client will not need to appear in Court
- CAD will confer with Defending Attorney and file with the Court a request to release client from Isolation
- Must be signed by Judge

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9/26/11
(Monday)

The 48 hour statute of the Emergency Detention Order expires.

Hearing at General District Court. ACPHD's petition Order for Isolation is approved by the General District Court Judge.

Client is released from guarded custody isolation at Virginia Hospital Center.

Sheriff's Deputy places client in a home monitoring device, the court-determined "least restrictive alternative" enforcement of court-ordered Isolation.

→ **8 Days Pass with client in home isolation**

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10/4/11 (Tuesday)	10/6/11 (Thursday)
<p>Sputum Collection on 10/1/11, 10/2/11, and 10/3/11 yielded three consecutive smears negative for acid-fast bacilli.</p> <p>ACPHD reports lab results and their clinical interpretation with respect to the Court-issued Isolation order to Arlington County Attorney's office.</p> <p>Court hearing for client's Release from Isolation Order requested.</p>	<p>Court Hearing: Order for Isolation lifted and Order for Participation in Counseling and Education Programs granted.</p> <p>Arlington County Sherriff Deputy removes monitoring device and client is free to return to the greater community.</p>

LAW & ORDER T.B. Case Study – *The Law (Additional Requirements)*

Step	Description
Order of Participation in Counseling and Education Program	Court order for client to continue treatment
Details	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CAD will request Clerk of Court to mail Order to CAD and PHD • PHD will contact CAD at the completion of treatment ~ 6 to 9 months to close case 	

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Questions
