



Dane County Pretrial Services Department

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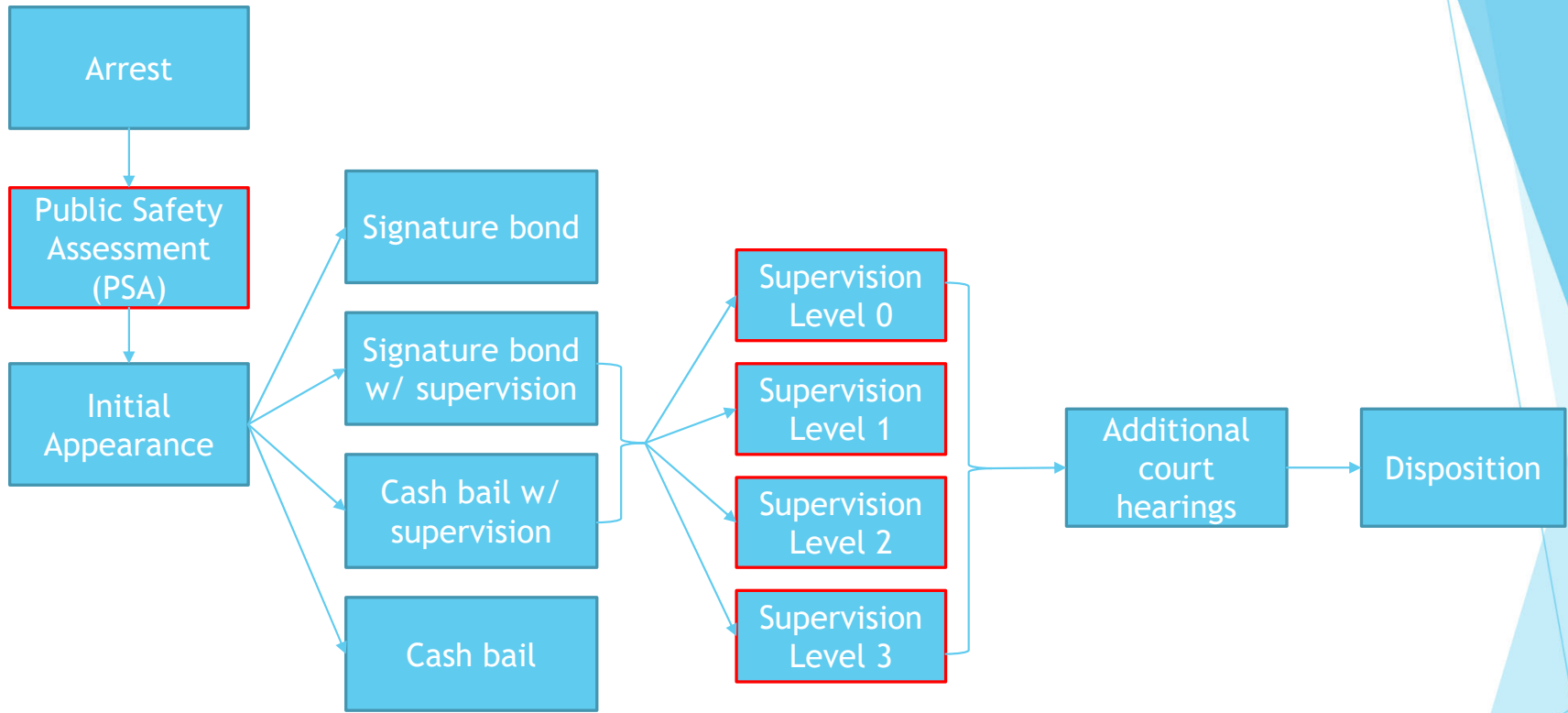
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History of Pretrial Services in Dane County

- ▶ 1989: Alternatives to Incarceration Program (ATIP) created with Jail Diversion Coordinator position under the Clerk of Courts
- ▶ 1991: Bail Monitoring Program (BMP) created for pretrial services
- ▶ 2012: Post-conviction monitoring ended and assumed by DCSO's Custody Alternative Monitoring Program (CAMP)
- ▶ 2015: Dane County partners with Arnold Ventures to implement use of Public Safety Assessment (PSA), a standardized pretrial risk assessment tool
- ▶ 2019: ATIP becomes Pretrial Services and program moves from CCB to Courthouse
- ▶ 2022: Pretrial Services becomes its own department

Pretrial Services Staff

- ▶ 1 Director
- ▶ 1 Lead Case Worker
- ▶ 4 Case Workers
- ▶ 2 PSA Assessors
- ▶ 1 Clerk



The Role of Pretrial Services

- ▶ Mission: To help people successfully complete pretrial supervision and improve community safety today and tomorrow.
- ▶ Pretrial success = appearing for court and no new criminal arrests
- ▶ Most individuals with pretrial status are not on pretrial supervision.
 - ▶ Approximately 91% of people are released and 9% are in custody
 - ▶ Approximately 4100 people with pretrial status and 186 on supervision

Pretrial Supervision

- ▶ Supervision level determined by PSA and/or professional judgement
- ▶ Conditions determined by judges/commissioners
 - ▶ Monitoring provided with GPS, Remote Breath, and drug testing
- ▶ Case workers make referrals to community resources, including contracted recovery coaches
- ▶ Consistent violation responses determined by structured response grid
 - ▶ Judicial responses include: No change but monitor, Schedule bail hearing, Increase Supervision, Issue warrant

Statistics

- ▶ Across all defendants in pretrial status, 63% make all court appearances and 76% have no new offenses.
- ▶ For pretrial services defendants in 2024, 92% have made all their court appearances and 87% have no new offenses.
- ▶ Current supervision clients: 186 total
 - ▶ Remote Breath 92, GPS 94, Drug Testing 24
 - ▶ Two or more 38
- ▶ Median days on supervision is about 93.

Future Goals

- ▶ Align budget with departmental transition
 - ▶ Clerk of Courts covered certain essential expenditures
 - ▶ Budget does not reflect needs for proper monitoring of conditions
- ▶ Transition from Decision Making Framework (DMF) to Release Conditions Matrix (RCM)
- ▶ Expand program and increase staffing

Any Questions?

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