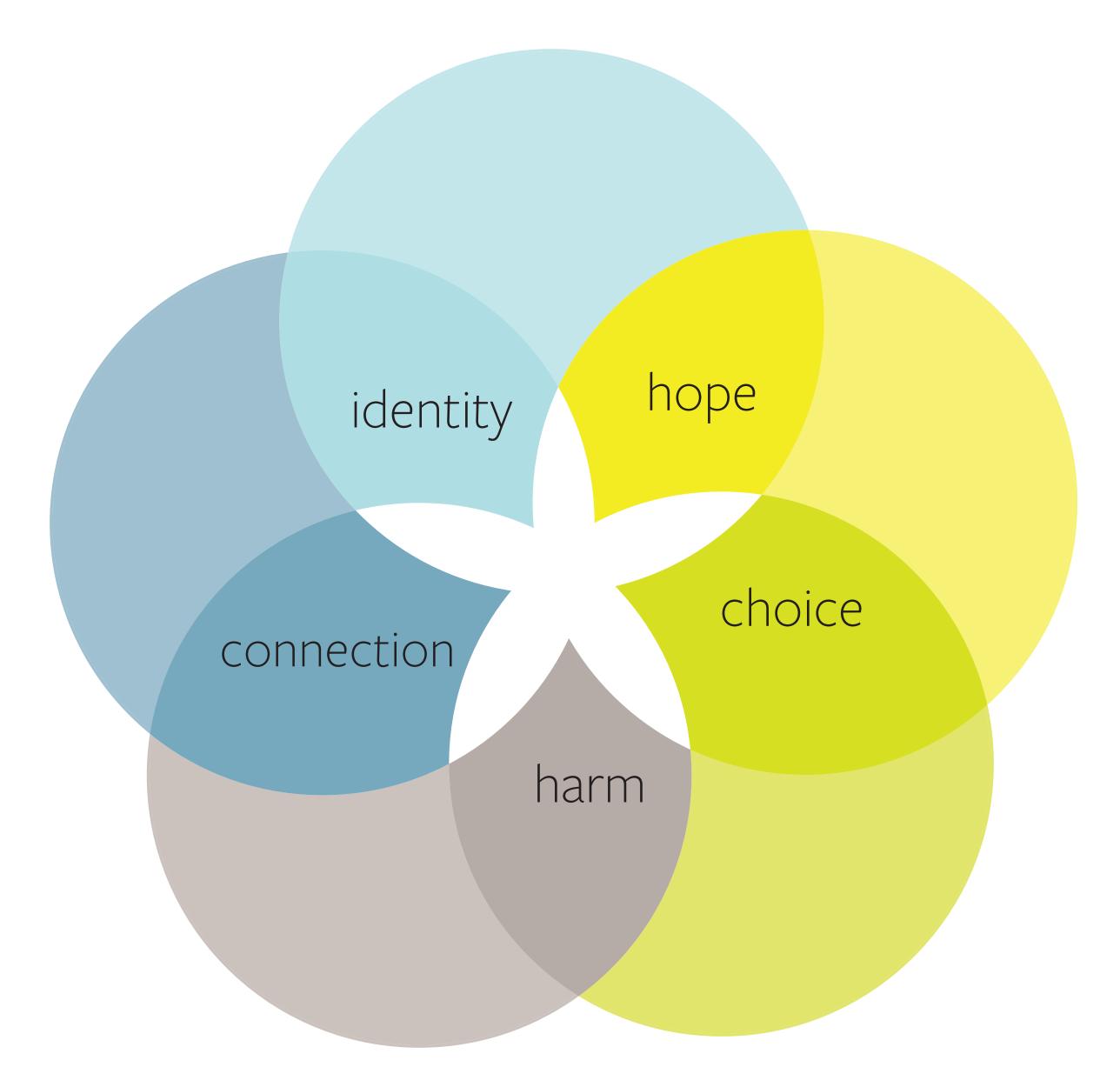
## Justice Involved Mental Health and Telecare's Recovery Centered Clinical System (RCCS)



The Conversations

Returning to a community can be a huge challenge for individuals who have spent time in a prison environment. This challenge becomes even more complicated when the individual has a serious mental illness and addiction disorder. Telecare has provided services to these individuals for many years and we've found that a recovery-centered culture with intentional strengths based conversations is effective in providing services for these unique individuals.

## **Culture of Recovery**

Developing a program culture of recovery is a significant component of Telecare Corporation's Recovery Centered Clinical System (RCCS). A recovery-focused culture is designed to reverse the power-over elements of the criminal justice culture and its control-focused approach. Specifically, the RCCS culture examines power awareness, non-judgmentalness, individual uniqueness, motivational awareness, and respect and dignity.

## Addressing Criminogenic Needs

Through the RCCS, individuals served at Telecare programs have an opportunity to participate Conversations that help explore identity, awaken hope and teach the skill of choice making.



- Antisocial Attitudes: Positive behavior changes can lead to positive attitude changes. Staff having a skilled approach and encouraging pro-social behaviors is a key element in providing engaging and safe space for individuals served.
- Antisocial Peers: Conversations focus on reducing affiliation with gangs, criminal associates, etc. RCCS Conversations focus on exploring identity, building support systems and personal choice.
- Dysfunctional Family Relations: Family involvement can be a powerful motivating

ingredient that decreases risky behaviors and increases effective choice making.

- Substance Use: Telecare programs estimate that 90% of individuals served have either a current or past co-occurring disorder. In addition to a 16-session, co-occurring education curriculum designed to begin to address individuals' awareness and motivation for change, other RCCS Conversations are used to explore substance use.
- Low Self Control/High Impulsivity: Individuals require skills that assist them in managing their emotions. In addition to mindfulness meditation skills and evidence-based models such as DBT skills, individuals are engaged in RCCS Conversations that focus on problem-solving and other skills that can be called upon during a time of high emotion or crisis.

## Other Approaches:

- Moral Recognation Therapy
- Accountability "Who Needs Me"
- Critical Time Interventions (for community based programs): Staging services based on a frequency model.

