



Portland Committee on Community-Engaged Policing Behavioral Health Subcommittee July Minutes

Tuesday, July 7, 2020 6:30-8:00pm

Via Zoom

MEMBERS PRESENT

Chair; Amy Anderson, Ann Campbell, Vadim Mozyrsky

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16 Participants

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Welcome	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Welcoming remarks are shared from the subcommittee Chair Amy Anderson greeting the community.• A roll call is done for everyone who has join the zoom meeting. People are given the opportunity to introduce themselves.
Guest Speaker	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Guest Speaker Glendora Claybrook - -Health care consultant• Achieving mental health equity with a focus on 4 P's<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Process○ Policies○ Practices○ Police intervention• Take away - How do you advocate on behalf of mental behavior within health populations and police brutality to challenge the unnecessary use of deadly force.• Discussion on Mental Health issues and the impacted communities. (Including the prison populations, mental health populations.)<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Health Equity – All people should have the rights to arise and have a fair opportunity to a healthy lifestyle.○ When health equity doesn't happen many racial/ ethnic groups get burden with health disparities (e.g. COVID death rates among black and brown communities).○ Different health conditions call for different kinds of understandings (e.g. clinical depression, anxiety disorders, and schizophrenia).○ How do we achieve behavioral health equity? To close the gap between the people with mental health conditions and law enforcement. To avoid death, jail or homelessness outcomes.○ How to resolve these outcomes? We must begin with a process – the process will entitle the basics of who, what, when and why. To address these areas, we



	<p>must examine the problem by using a qualitative and quantitative approach. Asking the community open-ended questions so we can gain good insight in order to recognize and identify good strategies on how to go forward when advocating for someone who needs help.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ First thing to do in this process is to (1) identify the problem (2) define the problem (3) engage populations (4) develop strategies (5) specific ways to implement steps to resolve the problem. ○ Evaluation - evaluate what is being done, what should be done and how it can be improved. To ensure equal consideration and equity is applied to the situation. ○ Final step is reporting – all information is gathered. The report is used to advocate on behalf of the population and disseminate the information to the powers that be. ○ Develop strategies, develop ways to address the problem from the communities that are most impacted by the problem. ○ It's important to pay close attention to the practices of the police. ○ The process of the four P's is following a course of action that is going to help achieve the goals set. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The City of Portland is currently in the pilot stage of the program “Portland Street Response” – having clinicians appear to the scene.
<p>Guest Speaker</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Guest Speaker Casey – Behavioral Health Unit (BHU) introduces the mission of BHU. “The mission of the Behavioral Health Unit is to coordinate the response of Law Enforcement and the Behavioral Health System to aid people in behavioral crisis resulting from known or suspected mental illness and or drug and alcohol addiction.” ● All police officers are required to take 40 hours of training. ● Behavioral Health Spectrum: Addictions, Dual Diagnosis & Co-occurring Disorders, Severe & Persistent Mental Health Issues. ● Service Coordination Team (SCT) Program offers housing, treatment, and robust services to address the underlying root causes of police contact and to help break the entrenched cycle of addiction and criminality. ● The Behavioral Health Response Team (BHRT) pairs a Project Respond clinician with a Portland Police Officer. BHRTs proactively work with individuals who have multiple contacts with police to attempt to connect them with appropriate services in advance of a mental health crisis. The Police Bureau now has five BHRT cars. ● Enhanced Crisis Intervention Team (ECIT). These officers will be the first responders dispatched by 9-1-1 to crisis calls that are determined to be related to an individual with mental illness. ● Closing remarks – next subcommittee meeting will be Tuesday, August 4, 2020 from 6:30-8:00pm via Zoom.