

CIT COORDINATOR

The CIT Coordinator strengthens partnerships within the mental health community, advocacy groups, families and peers through community presentations and training. Community partners interested in discussing police behavioral crisis response training, resources, or information can contact the CIT Coordinator at (503) 823-0817.

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH UNIT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The purpose of the Behavioral Health Unit Advisory Committee (BHUAC) is to provide guidance to assist the City of Portland and the Portland Police Bureau in the development and expansion of the Enhanced Crisis Intervention Team (ECIT), Behavioral Health Response Teams (BHRTs), Service Coordination Team (SCT), Bureau of Emergency Communication crisis call response, and utilization of community mental health services.

The Behavioral Health Unit Advisory Committee membership is established by the Portland Police Bureau and includes representation from: Portland Police Bureau's Behavioral Health Unit, National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI), Bureau of Emergency Communications (BOEC), civilian leadership of the City Government, the Multnomah County Sheriff's Office, Oregon Health Authority, mental health advocacy groups, mental health service providers, coordinated care organizations, and persons and families with lived experience with mental health services.



COMMUNITY RESOURCES

You can download a comprehensive list at:

www.portlandoregon.gov/police/62135

Emergency Services: 911
Non-Emergency Services: (503) 823-3333

Crisis Lines (24-hours)

Multnomah County Crisis Line: (503) 988-4888
Lines for Life Suicide Hotline: (800) 273-8255
Oregon Youth Line: (877) 968-8491
Alzheimer's Association: (800) 272-3900

Crisis Lines (not 24-hours)

David Romprey Warm Line: (800) 698-2392
Spanish line: (888) 628-9454

24-hour Assistance

Multnomah County Aging and Disability: (503) 988-3646
Multi-Ethnic Services (503) 988-3646

Assistance/Treatment

Cascadia Walk-In Clinic: (503) 674-7777
Cascadia Referral line: (503) 674-7777
VA Suicide Prevention Team: (503) 402-2857
VA Mental Health Triage Unit: (503) 220-8262
OHSU Behavioral Health Clinic: (503) 494-6176
Kaiser Mental Health intake: (503) 571-9240
Lifeworks Intake Appointments: (503) 645-9010
Old Town Recovery Clinic (503) 228-7134

Advocacy, Support & Education

National Alliance on Mental Illness: (503) 228-5692
(NAMI) Multnomah
Early Assessment and Support Alliance: (503) 988-3272
(EASA)
Mental Health America of Oregon (MHAO): (503) 922-2377
Disability Rights Oregon: (503) 243-2081
Native American Rehabilitation Assoc: (503) 244-1044
(NARA)
Independent Living Resources: (503) 232-7411
Oregon Family Support Network (OFSN): (503) 363-8068
Folktime (503) 238-6428
Northstar Clubhouse (971) 271-7273



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 or drug and alcohol addiction.

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Behavioral Health Unit**

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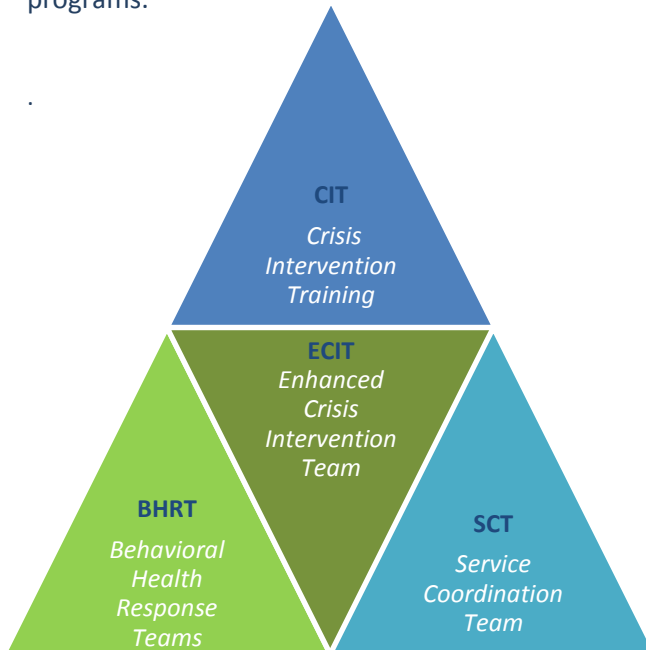
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BEHAVIORAL HEALTH UNIT (BHU)

The BHU provides multiples levels of opportunities to resolve a behavioral crisis, connect a person to resources and reduce the frequency of police contact through the following programs.



CRISIS INTERVENTION TRAINING (CIT)

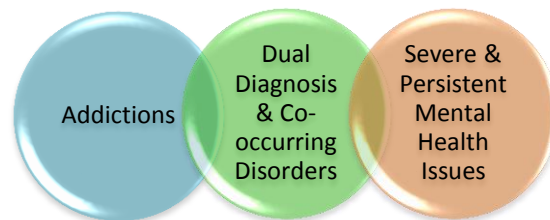
As primary responders to crisis calls, all Portland Police Officers receive 40 hours of crisis intervention training. This training is conducted upon hiring during the basic and advanced police academies. Crisis intervention training focuses on crisis response core competencies, local resources, and practical exercises. Additionally all officers receive crisis intervention updates during annual police in-service training.

ENHANCED CRISIS INTERVENTION TEAM (ECIT)

ECIT provides volunteer officers an additional 40 hours of training on the indicators of mental illness, crisis communication techniques, effective interactions with consumers and family members, as well as information on local community resources.

ECIT trains officers to respond to situations involving individuals in behavioral crisis. ECIT officers have three primary roles:

1. Identify risks during a behavioral crisis to help the primary officer or supervisor make an informed decision.
2. Be a crisis response resource. ECIT officers have familiarity with communication techniques that can help de-escalate a person in crisis.
3. Be a connector to resources through available community services or referral to the BHU for follow up.



An ECIT Officer is usually dispatched when a call has a mental health component and one of the following characteristics: the person is violent; the person is suicidal; the situation involves a weapon; the call is at a designated residential mental health facility; a request is made by the responding officer; or a request is made by a citizen.

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH RESPONSE TEAMS (BHRT)

Each Behavioral Health Response Team consists of a police officer and a licensed mental health clinician contracted through Project Respond (Cascadia Behavioral Healthcare). BHRTs provide follow up to connect people to appropriate resources. PPB currently has a BHRT assigned to each precinct.



SERVICE COORDINATION TEAM (SCT)

The mission of the Service Coordination Team is to improve public safety, reinforce community livability and increase treatment outcomes for chronic offenders through the coordination of law enforcement, criminal justice, supportive housing and treatment resources. The SCT Program offers housing and treatment to chronic offenders in order to address their addiction and the root causes of criminality. Most importantly, the SCT offers real, attainable solutions that help people change their lives. Call (503) 823-0345 for more information.



