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Re: June 2016 BHUAC Votes and Recommendations

The BHUAC met June 22, 2016 and reviewed the following agenda:

June 2016 Meeting Agenda

- Intros and Updates
- Discussion and vote: May Minutes and Report/Recommendations
- Discussion and vote: Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) #1-3 Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) Coordinator
- Discussion and vote: SOP #2-1 Behavioral Health Unit Electronic Referral System (BERS)
- Discussion and vote: SOP #1-2 Behavioral Health Unit

Below are the BHUAC's official Votes and Recommendations from this meeting:

June 2016 Committee Votes and Recommendations

The BHUAC voted and approved to accept the proposed changes to SOP #1-3 with the following additional changes:

- In the Policy section, first sentence; remove "or drug or alcohol abuse" after "mental illness" to read "The Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) Coordinator will have a primary role in the Portland Police Bureau's response to individuals who are experiencing behavioral crises that may result from mental illness."
- In the Procedure section #1, first sentence; replace "mission" with "role", "citizen" with "persons", and "suspected" with "perceived" to read: "The role of the CIT Coordinator is

to develop training and resources in support of the Enhanced Crisis Intervention Team to identify and assist persons having frequent contact with police due to known or perceived mental illness.”

- In the Procedure section #2 change the first sentence to read, “The position of CIT Coordinator will be filled by an officer...”

The BHUAC voted and approved to accept the proposed changes to SOP #2-1 with the following additional changes:

- In the Purpose section, first sentence; add “and the referral process” to the end of the sentence to read: “To define the BHU Electronic Referral System (BERS), the nature of the information it contains, and protection and dissemination of the information, and the referral process.”
- In the Purpose section, remove the second sentence “The BHU assists people with mental illness or people in crisis.”
- In the Procedure section 1A Referral Information Management # 1; replace “suspected” with “perceived” to read “Only referrals that contain information indicating an individual has a known or perceived mental illness will be accepted.”
- In the Procedure section 7C Civil Commitment; replace the current language with “The person was civilly committed or accepted a 14-day diversion as a result of a notice of mental illness.”
- In the Procedure section 8 remove the first sentence that begins “Due to limited resources....” so that the section starts with the sentence “The following are reasons the BHU.....”

The BHUAC voted and approved to accept the proposed changes to SOP #1-2 with the following additional changes:

- In the Policy section, replace “mission” with “purpose”, “suspected” with “perceived” and “or drug and alcohol addiction” with “and/or substance abuse” to read: “The purpose of the Behavioral Health Unit (BHU) is to coordinate the response of law enforcement and the behavioral health system to aid people in behavioral crisis resulting from known or perceived mental illness and/or substance abuse.”
- In the Procedure section #2 replace the current language with “The BHU will have a designated Central Precinct Captain (or Commander), Lieutenant, Sergeant and Service Coordination Team Program Manager, who will coordinate with the Training Division, Precinct Command, mental health system providers and community partners.”