

Mental Health Response Advisory Committee (MHRAC)

Meeting Minutes Tuesday, April 21, 2015 Facilitated by Dr. Caroline Bonham & Anita Briscoe, APRN

1. Introduction of committee members
2. Commander Joe Christman of the SWAT presented a run-down of their SOP guidelines per DOJ.
3. Discussion and explanation on suicide calls and description of how SWAT would handle them
4. CIU and CNT were discussed, contrasted and compared.
5. Lt. Glenn St. Onge gave presentation on Portland, Oregon visit
6. Information from the visit to Portland, Oregon was given and ideas were shared of what Portland is doing that is working.
7. Data tracking within the DOJ in Portland was discussed.
8. APD Lieutenants and Sergeants urged that we have an analyst to track our data. Lt. St. Onge described the new tracking process he has put in place.

Subcommittees

Standard Operating Procedures (SOP)

Danny Whatley did a thorough review of APD SOPs and handed this out for the committee's input. SOP reviews will be handed in to Lt. St. Onge to incorporate into current SOPs.

Training

The discussion began with the language police officers use when addressing other community members.

Focused discussion took place on APD Crisis Intervention Training.

Information Exchange

Discussion of what laws apply, what is considered public information, what information from police data bases is shareable, whether a provider gives information to the police, does it then become public.

Resources

The group determined that there is a high need for behavioral health related resource identification and dissemination. The group initially determined that an online, usable data base should be available to the community and should be updated regularly. Members of the subcommittee urged that there should be an algorithm to assist those in need to get serious help within 24 hours.

The group decided to meet as a committee on May 7th (Thursday) at 10:00 at the St. Martin's Coffee Shop on Lomas and 2nd Street.

Next Meeting:

- Tuesday, May 19, 2015
- @ Noon Day
- 2nd and Prospect
- 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.