Crisis Intervention Team and Corrections

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CIT and Corrections

• Overview of (CIT) Crisis Intervention Team with emphasis on the role of Corrections.

• Participant involved, Facilitator led discussion on Pros and Cons on the Crisis Intervention Team approach with Corrections.
CIT and Corrections

Continued:

- Examine the real role of Corrections with the “Team” of agencies comprising the CIT.

- Examine the “Missing Link” towards a beginning concept of future CIT programming and planning in the “Real World” of public safety.
Crisis Intervention

• Effectively managing crisis events with individuals who are experiencing a behavioral health crisis.

• Redirecting individuals in crisis to the appropriate treatment modalities.
The “Team” in Crisis Intervention

“A group of people coming together to achieve a common goal.”

Who are the “Team” members with CIT?
The Team?

Standard Members

• Law Enforcement
• Corrections
• Mental Health Professionals
• Medical Professionals

Future Members?

• Fill in the blank
Correctional Partners

• Incarceration rates for the mentally ill: (2005)

56% - State prisoners
45% - Federal prisoners
64% - Jail inmates

Suffered from a mental health disorder!
The Numbers

706,000 - State
79,000 - Federal
479,000 – Local

People incarcerated with a mental health disorder.
Understanding Mental Health

“It is helpful for officers to understand the symptomatic behavior of persons who are afflicted with a form of mental illness. In this way, officers are in a better position to formulate appropriate strategies for gaining the individual’s compliance.”
De-escalation

“Officers should first take time, if possible, to survey the situation in order to gather necessary information and avoid hasty and potentially counterproductive decisions and actions.”
The Real Crisis?

- Have incidents of Crisis decreased?
- Has the Team approach been successful?
- Do we incarcerate less mentally ill citizens?
Real Crisis — cont’d

- Are you confident that **OUR** team has all the resources we need?
- What is your vision of the perfect crisis intervention world?
Class Participation Time

Split into 2 groups

Group A on the LEFT

Group B on the RIGHT
Pros and Cons

Group A – Pros
Group B – Cons

Question:
CIT and Corrections – is it worth it?
The “Team” with Corrections
Where does CIT begin?
Where does it end?
Discussion time
More Questions than Answers

The “Missing Link” is our final thought for today:

• What is missing from our CIT approach?

• What can our “Team” do to further
  • our success story?
More Questions

• Do we have the funding to do the job right?

Who needs to be added to our team?

• Do we have a plan?
Thank you!

We appreciate your dedication and sacrifice!

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