



**Batterer Intervention Program Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes
July 23, 2020; 9:00 am to 11:30 am
Remote video meeting**

In Attendance:

Amy Benedum, Steve Berger, Don Chapin, Melissa Erlbaum, Aaron Hartman, Chris Huffine, Maureen Lowell, Eric Mankowski, Shannon Sivell, Jeremiah Stromberg

Absent: Vivien Bliss

Minutes: Sherree Rodriguez

Welcome/Opening

- Eric reported that after research into other state information available for LGBTQIA+ groups, there is not much data available yet.
- Eric and Chris have not yet had success in connecting with the Northwest Network regarding their research into areas intersecting with the current project of the Advisory Committee (AC).
- Eric has not yet heard back from Ken Sanchagrin regarding establishing sponsorship from Criminal Justice Commission to provide training for Batterer Intervention Program (BIP) providers.

Minutes Approval – The AC approved the minutes of the June meeting, which will be posted to the Department of Justice website.

Membership – The group discussed the importance improving diversity on the AC. Discussion included ways to help overcome obstacles to participation, which will be discussed with potential candidates.

Senate Bill 1543 Response and Implementation Plan – continuation

Work continued with the review of BIP Standards to update for cisgender, heterosexual females who use violence in intimate relationships.

ACTION STEPS:

- Chris will review materials related to primary vs secondary aggressors
- Chris will ask the women who lead the female BIP group at Allies in Change to attend and discuss their work at the next meeting.
- Sherree will conduct a doodle poll for an additional meeting in four to six weeks
- AC members will reach out to potential membership to help diversify the group
- The AC is encouraged to do background reading to prepare for future discussion

Upcoming meeting topics

- Membership
- Hear from Allies in Change women’s group representatives
- Intersectionality with COVID and BIP work around the state
- Primary vs secondary aggressors research review

Adjourned at 11:00am

Scheduled meeting - October 22