



Batterer Intervention Program Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes
July 25, 2025; 9:00 am to 10:57 am
Remote video meeting

In Attendance: Jon Hansen, Mikisha Hooper, Jen Hopkinson, Chris Huffine, Scott Hyde, Maureen Lowell, Eric Mankowski, Marci Nelson, Shannon Sivell

Absent: Amy Benedum, Vivien Bliss, Saydyie DeRosia, Keri Moran-Kuhn

Minutes: Sherree Rodriguez

Welcome/Opening

Eric Mankowski welcomed the Advisory Committee (AC) to the meeting.

Minutes Review

The group reviewed minutes from the meeting on June 6, 2025. The group approved the minutes with correction of a typo. Sherree will update and post them to the website.

Membership Changes

The group introduced themselves to Mikisha Hooper, the newest AC member. Nichelle Moore has stepped down due to a position change. Nichelle has nominated Rhea DuMont to serve in her place. An offer had been extended to Trista Davis to join the AC for full membership, but she declined in favor of continuing to act as a consultant as is possible and helpful. Marci Nelson has transitioned to the role of field expert on the AC as her previous position was defunded with federal cuts.

Complaint – Klamath Basin Behavioral Health

Oregon Department of Justice has received a complaint about an inadequate response to a victim at Klamath Basin Behavioral Health, which sponsors a Batterer Intervention Program (BIP) group. The group discussed the details of the complaint. Eric and Marci will reach out to the complainant, clarify the request, explain the process, and determine if they wish to be anonymous in forwarding information to the local supervisory authorities. They will then inform the AC of the meeting result and move the complaint forward based on the outcome of the meeting.

The group noted this would be a good time to further develop the policy for complaints. This would include setting specific questions to follow up, including a release of information form, the desired outcome, and clarifying the power and limitations of the AC within the Oregon law.

Colorado Domestic Violence (DV) Response System – Jon Hansen

Colorado State has the [Domestic Violence Risk & Needs Assessment](#) tool, they are heavily invested in. They have an annual conference, more close supervision of BIPs and is state funded and supported. They have robust research in place, which is stated in their statutes. Jesse Hansen is the spokesperson for this program. The group decided to issue an invitation for him to do a 90-minute presentation, with questions & answers, as soon as the October meeting, if possible.

BIP Services for non-English – Hood River Inquiry – Chris Huffine

A Hood River County BIP reached out about Spanish language services as Hoppa is expected to close. Other groups that provide remote meetings with Spanish services include Bridges 2 Success (multiple Oregon locations), Life Counseling in McMinnville, and Crossroads, in Newport.



ACTION STEPS –

- **Eric** will speak with Rhea DuMont about possible AC membership.
- **Eric and Marci** will speak to the Klamath County complainant within the next week if possible.
- **Jon** will invite Jesse Hansen and determine the best meeting for his presentation.
- **Chris and Eric** will determine how to best respond to the Hood River inquiry and then do so.
- **All members** with web citations will send to **Eric** for the OAR draft and he will add them.
- **Eric** will provide Mikisha access to Google OAR document.

Future meeting agendas

October – tentative – Colorado presentation

January – review OAR draft; determine name for BIP work

The meeting adjourned at 10:57 am.

Next scheduled meeting: October 24