



**Batterer Intervention Program Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes**

May 29, 2026; 9:00 am to 11:00 am

Remote video meeting

In Attendance: Carrissa Bessich, Jon Hansen, Scott Hyde, Maureen Lowell, Eric Mankowski, Hilary Levine (*for Keri Moran-Kuhn*), Jesus Rome, Shannon Sivell

Absent: Amy Benedum, Vivien Bliss, Sarah Greenwood, Mikisha Hooper, Jen Hopkinson,

Minutes: AI transcription, formatted by Sherree Rodriguez

Welcome/Opening - Eric Mankowski opened the Advisory Committee (AC) meeting.

Minutes – AC members approved the minutes for April 24, 2026.

Approval of Revised BIP Complaint Process

The group reviewed and approved the updated Batterer Intervention Program (BIP) complaint process. They will revisit further plain language updates at a future meeting or post frequently asked questions on the Department of Justice (DOJ) website.

Membership application – Desireé Coyote

Both Chris Huffine and Shannon Sivell recommended Desiree Coyote as an AC member. The group reviewed and unanimously approved her application. The recommendation will be sent to the Attorney General's Office.

Klamath Basin Behavioral Health complaint follow-up

Despite multiple requests, the Klamath Basin Behavior Health BIP has not provided the client handbook as requested. The previous Klamath County Community Corrections director retired. An AC member will reach out to the new director regarding the status of this complaint and the committee's outstanding request.

Subcommittee projects clarified

The group clarified there will be two subcommittees comprised of the same individuals working on two projects. One will focus on the DVRNA risk assessment tool pilot test and the second on risk assessment for the revised standards. Scott Hyde, Jon Hansen, Chris Huffine, and Maureen Lowell will serve on both subcommittees.

Division 87 Standard review

To advance the committee's work in revising the BIP Oregon Administrative Rules (OAR), they looked at the criteria that BIPs are required to accomplish or certify in order to meet the OAR standards. The group then divided the criteria into two categories: criteria the committee agrees are necessary and should remain "requirements" and criteria or standards that the committee agrees are "aspirational" or provide guidance. The committee will continue this conversation in July. Department of Corrections (DOC) representatives brought up additional criteria/standards that they are required to use when DOC or a local supervisory authority (LSA) assesses a BIP. In



July, the committee will discuss how those additional criteria interact with the current OARs: Do they meet the standards, contradict the standards or are the current OARs silent on the additional DOC evaluation criteria.

ACTION STEPS

- Shannon will create a plain language draft for the complaint process for review of the group in July.
- Scott will reach out to Klamath LSA and report back to the group.
- Chris, Jon and Scott and Maureen will report back for both subcommittees at the next meeting. Shannon has asked to be included as a guest in their meeting.

Future meeting agenda items

Add the two subcommittees onto future agendas until resolved.

July's meeting:

- Focused look at criminal justice factors not currently addressed in OARs, or in direct contradiction with OARs.
- Deeper BIP/Advocacy community engagement, councils, ongoing cross-training
- Preventing all forms of facilitator/system collusion

The meeting adjourned at 11:00 am.

Scheduled meetings: July 24, October 23