

# Connecticut General Assembly

## Police Transparency & Accountability Task Force

Daryl McGraw, Co-Chairperson



c/o Judiciary Committee, Room 2500  
Legislative Office Building  
300 Capitol Avenue  
Hartford, Ct 06106

### Improving Police Interactions With The Disability Community Subcommittee

#### MINUTES

Tuesday, February 2, 2021

11:00 a.m., via Zoom

*Attendees: Jon Slifka (Chair), Chief Jack Drumm, Rayla Mattson, Michelle Duprey, Andrew Clark, Meghan Peterson, Brian Anderson, Anita Benjamin (Interpreter), Alvin Chege, Brian Foley, Henri Alphonse Mendoza, Makenzie Ozycz, Mack Reynolds, Rep. Michael Winkler, Julia Wilcox*  
*Guest speaker: Frankie Berger*

- I.** Convene meeting and welcome
  - a. *Chair Slifka convened the meeting at 11:06am.*
- II.** Introduction of Members
  - a. *At the request of the chair, members introduced themselves. Chair Slifka welcomed Chief Jack Drumm, a new appointee to the PTATF and subcommittee.*
- III.** Review of Minutes from 1/5/21 Meeting
  - a. *Upon a motion and second, the minutes were approved via voice vote.*
- IV.** Discussion:
  - a. Social Worker Recommendation reports (updates)
    - i. *At the request of the Chair, Andrew Clark gave an update on the reports requested by the subcommittee.*
- V.** Presentation: Frankie Berger, Director of State Policy at the National Council for Behavioral Health
  - a. Sequential Intercept Model as a framework for policy intervention.
    - i. *Comments from members/guests: Andrew Clark, Chief Drumm, Brian Foley (model w/in City of Hartford – social worker embedded in – deserves some looking in to).*

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- ii. *Frankie Berger shared SAMHSA brochure on the Sequential Intercept Model framework, including a breakdown of each intercept. Andrew Clark asked Chief Drumm his thoughts on the model and his work with CIT training. Chief Drumm replied that 50% of his officers are CIT trained, and the supervisor on duty is always CIT trained. He expressed concern that other towns/cities might experience challenges with this. Brian Foley brought up budgetary concerns with a social worker embedded in the police department. Alvin Chege asked if the Sequential Intercept Model has ever been implicated for a deaf individual. Frankie Berger responded that it relies on the dispatcher's ability to figure out translation for a deaf individual.*

*Chair Slifka asked Frankie Berger to discuss how this model could be used across the board for disability services. Frankie responded that lower levels on the intercept model could be used as a community response rather than a public safety response for the disability community.*

- VI. Announcement of time and date of next meeting  
a. March 2, 11am
- VII. Adjournment  
a. *The meeting was adjourned at 12:27pm*