

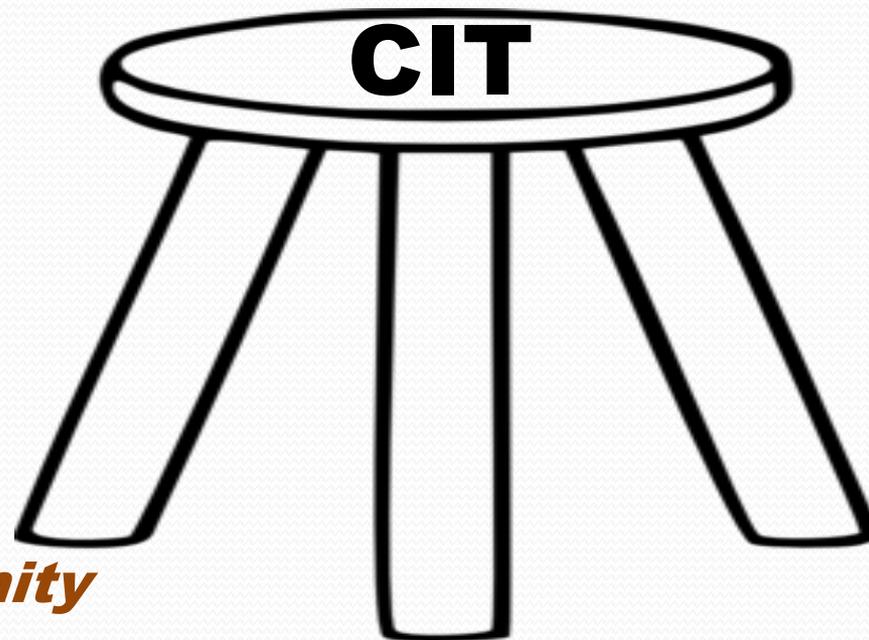
What is CIT?

- Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) programs are “pre-booking” jail diversion programs that include:
 - Local community BH/CJ collaboration between law enforcement, behavioral health, hospitals, consumers, family members, and other stakeholders (magistrates, attorneys, etc) to include a leadership team or task force
 - Infrastructure, policies or protocol that serve to enhance linkage and access to MH services in lieu of arrest or incarceration
 - Specialized training for law enforcement, dispatchers, corrections, and other first responders to identify and appropriately respond to individuals experiencing a mental health crisis

“Three Legged Stool”

Crisis Intervention Team Programs

A three legged stool



*Community
Collaboration*

Infrastructure

Training

Community	Infrastructure	Training
•BH/CJ Collaboration	•Access to Services	•CIT Core 40 Hour
•Community Task Force	•CIT Assessment Center	•Dispatchers
•Program Implementation	•Community Education	•Mental Health Training
•Program Oversight	•Policy Implementation	•In – Service
•Incident Review	•Interagency agreements	•Community Partners
•Interagency Policy Development	•Program fidelity	•Train the Trainer
•Community Outreach	•Data Collection	

Essential Elements of CIT in Virginia

- Community Stakeholder Collaboration & Oversight
- CIT Coordinator
- 40 Hour Core CIT Training
- Train the Trainer Training (TTT)
- CIT Dispatcher Training
- Policies and Procedures
- Therapeutic Assessment Site/Enhanced Access to Services
- Data Collection

Funding CIT

- State and Federal Grants (DCJS)
- Local funding
- Asset forfeiture
- State General Funds
 - DBHDS Jail Diversion
 - DBHDS CIT Assessment Sites

CIT Across Virginia

- **33** CIT Programs (at various levels of operation, 20 fully operational)
- **121** Cities and Counties participating
- **264** Criminal Justice agencies involved (Police Departments, Sheriff's Offices, Corrections, University Police Departments, Probation, Dispatch, Other First Responders)

As of August 1, 2014:

- **7,183** completed 40 hour CIT training
 - Police/Sheriffs – 5,036
 - Corrections – 1,004
 - Other First Responders - 430
 - Mental Health Practitioners/Consumers – 300
 - Dispatch - 413
- **772** Dispatchers completed 2, 4 or 6+ hour CIT dispatcher courses
- **16** CIT Assessment Sites (*as of August 1, 2014*)
 - 12 sites DBHDS funded, 3 sites DBHDS partial funds (JD)

OAG Statewide CIT Training Expansion Grant

- \$800,000k asset forfeiture grant award from the Attorney General's Office
- Statewide effort to expand CIT, maximize training capacity, and support sustainability for local CIT programs
- Managed by the VACIT Coalition, the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services (DBHDS) and the Department of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS)
- Utilizing a cadre of seasoned CIT consultant trainers, the grant provides:
 - 2.5-day **Train the Trainer** trainings to developing CIT programs across the state, and
 - 3-day **40 hour assisted trainings** to developing CIT programs across the state
- The grant also reimburses participating **operational programs** to provide 250 training slots in their 40 hour core training to officers from outside jurisdictions who do not have trainings available to them

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