Learn about the issues and facts related to Police-Mental Health

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References:

- in 5 Americans are affected by mental illness in a given year
  - National Alliance on Mental Illness

- Only 41% of adults in the U.S. with a MI received services in the past year
  - National Alliance on Mental Illness

- Officers routinely are the first responders to people with mental illness

- Up to 10% of calls for service involve someone with a severe mental illness

- 1 in 3 individuals in MH crisis are transported to ERs by police

- 87% more resources used for calls for service involving mental illness

- Incidents can present an increased risk of injury to consumers and officers
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- Mental health calls can have tragic outcomes
  - Washington Post, June 30, 2015
- Increased numbers in correctional systems (jails and prisons)
  o The Stepping Up Initiative  https://stepuptogether.org/
  o http://www.urban.org/urban-wire/revolving-door-mental-illness-incarceration-inadequate-care-and-inadequate-evidence