

NORTH AMERICA

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The current context for public safety/public health approaches

- Significant **increased attention** in the wake of the **police killing of George Floyd**
 - **Disaggregating** and **narrowing** the police function
 - Addressing **non-enforcement problems** with **effective solutions**
- Reorientation to improving **community outcomes** broadly
- Dismantling of **systemic racism** in all public institutions

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Examples of Existing and Emerging Programs

- **Co-responder models**
 - Mobile Crisis Rapid Response Team – MCCRT (Ontario)
- **Alternative non-enforcement models**
 - CAHOOTS (Eugene, OR)
- **Improving PD ability to respond to public health crises**
 - CIT Teams
 - Pre-arrest diversion
 - Alert databases

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Limitations

- Systemic racism in all public systems (not limited to CJ)
- Data-sharing and identifying high-need system users
- Risk determination at dispatch
- Time bound of response
- Practitioner implications
- Resources