

AMERICAN UNIVERSITY RECOMMENDATION 29 AND AGENCY RESPONSE

Recommendation 29. The Commission itself should evaluate and assess what statutory provisions have been adequately satisfied and where it has fallen short.

Montana's Defender Legislation spelled out a number of specific duties of the Commission. Commissioners should examine those provisions (47-1-104 (1) (2) (3), 47-1-105, Montana Defender Act, 2005) to determine what provisions have been complied with and which may not have been at this point. To make this assessment, the Commission must rely on information from Agency staff. The Commission must be insistent on a continuous flow of relevant information.

RECOMMENDATION ADOPTED: Yes

ACTIONS:

- **The agency assigned this recommendation to the Agency Structural Issues Team.**
- **The Commission assigned this recommendation to the Legislative Committee.**
- **Recently the Commission appointed a Strategic Planning Committee and the agency appointed staff to assist the Committee in revising the agency strategic plan, including a review of Title 47.**