



# JDCAP

Juvenile Detention Centers  
and Alternative Programs

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### Public Policy

#### Request from JCJC

The Juvenile Court Judges' Commissions is committed to the ongoing implementation of the Juvenile Justice System Enhancement Strategy (JJSES), and has lately been particularly interested in matters related to attention to quality assurance practices. A related area of discussion at the November Commission meeting involved residential facility practices and policies around family visitation of youth in placement. The JCJC has developed a survey with the intent that it be distributed to as many providers of residential care to delinquent youth as possible. The results will then be collated and used to guide ongoing activities around best practice considerations. We plan that many of you can later participate in a collaborative effort to further develop best practices regarding this critical component of residential care. At the conclusion of the survey, you will note a request to forward any pertinent policies and procedures relative to this matter. These will be very helpful as we move forward.

We are hopeful that we will receive a wide response from various providers of residential care, including detention and shelter facilities. If your agency operates more than one type of facility, we request that you complete separate surveys for all.

In order to access the survey, please use the following link: [Residential Contact Survey](#)

Please complete the survey process at your earliest convenience, but by no later than Friday, February 3, 2017.

Thank you in advance for your anticipated response to this request. Do not hesitate to contact me should you have any further questions.

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## Future Conferences and Trainings

### **Preparing to Implement Evidence Based Programs**

A NEW Training Series from the EPISCenter

January 20, 27, and February 3 at 11:00

Each year new funding opportunities are available for you to implement evidence based programs- are you prepared to apply?

The EPISCenter will be offering three free webinars full of tips and expert guidance to help you in designing your program implementation and writing an effective grant application.

### **Assessing Community Needs and Identifying Programs**

Friday Jan. 20 11:00am-12:30pm

Learn how to select programs that address the particular needs of your community.

[Register Now](#)

### **Creating a Strong Implementation and Evaluation Plan**

Friday Jan. 27 11:00am-12:30pm

Learn how to plan for an effective program and document your success.

[Register Now](#)

### **Sustainability and Grant Writing**

Friday Feb. 3 11:00am-12:30pm

Learn how to plan for long term viability and review critical grant writing tips and logistics.

[Register Now](#)

Note: When you register, we'll email you a link to the online presentation space. Be sure to test these links prior to the presentation time. Security settings--especially in work environments--may limit access, and you may be required to update to the current (free) Adobe Flash Player in order to view content.

### **Central Pennsylvania Addictions Conference**

May 16-18, 2017

Pennsylvania Farm Show Complex

We are seeking workshop presenters for the 2017 Central Pennsylvania Addictions Conference. While a variety of topics is being sought, the following areas will be given additional priority:

- Prevention
- Treatment
- Problem gambling
- Family engagement
- Older adults and addiction
- Engaging young people
- Opioid epidemic
- Alternative/complementary therapies
- Cultural competency
- Criminal justice
- Policy and advocacy

If interested, please click [here](#) for more information and to complete the Speaker Information Form.

This conference is a presentation of the Dauphin County Department of Drug and Alcohol Services with assistance from Temple University NEST.

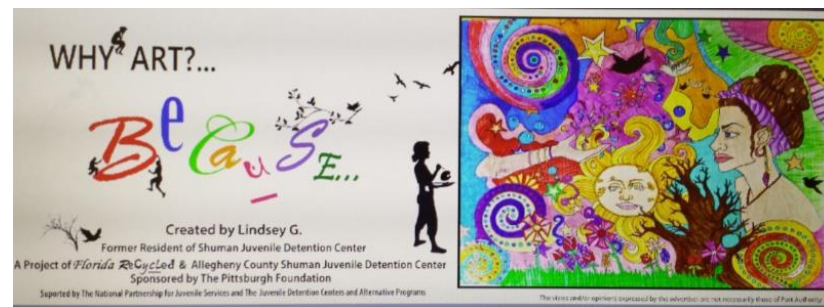
The attendees at this conference treat clients through state, county and other publicly funded grants. Priority will be given

to those presenters, exhibitors and sponsoring organizations who treat these audiences. We reserve the right to deny participation, sponsorship and/or exhibit space to organizations which do not accept public funding or offer treatment in central Pennsylvania.

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## Membership Updates

This artwork is going on Pittsburgh public transport buses from the Art Project at Shuman.



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## Articles of Interest

### PA Articles

[Luzerne County judge touts experience in retention bid](#)

[Lackawanna County to consider outsourcing juvenile detention center](#)

### National Articles

[Grassley priorities: Sentencing & juvenile justice reform, balanced budget](#)

[Mark Wahlberg's 'Juvies' coming to Vinegar Hill Theatre](#)

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## Other Important Items

### Save the Dates

Training Committee - January 25 - 10:00 am - 3:00 pm - CCAP Office.

### **Additional Information**

OJJDP Supports National Drug & Alcohol Facts Week

The [National Institute on Drug Abuse](#) (NIDA) and the [National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism](#) (NIAAA) are sponsoring-and OJJDP is supporting-[National Drug & Alcohol Facts Week](#) from January 23 to January 29, 2017. This weeklong observance will bring together teens and scientific experts through community events nationwide and internationally to discuss facts about drug and alcohol abuse. NIDA will make available free educational resources and tools to help families and youth address the consequences of substance abuse, including drunk driving, drugged driving, and underage drinking. NIDA and NIAAA are part of the National Institutes of Health.

Resources:

[Learn more](#) about National Drug & Alcohol Facts Week.

Get information on how to [plan](#) and [register](#) a local event. Download [free planning materials](#) and [suggested activities](#).

### **Juvenile Prosecution Standards and Policy Guidelines Updated**

The [National District Attorneys Association](#) (NDAA) and the [National Juvenile Justice Prosecution Center](#) (NJJPC) at Georgetown University, through a grant from OJJDP, have updated NDAA's [National Juvenile Prosecution Standards](#) and corresponding [Juvenile Prosecution Policy Positions and Guidelines](#). Both the updated standards and policy positions provide additional guidance for front-line juvenile prosecutors and supervisors to promote public safety, address the needs of victims, hold youth accountable for their actions, and enhance the ability of youth to be productive members of their communities.

### **SAMHSA Releases Youth Engagement Guidance for Federal Events**

The [Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration](#) (SAMHSA) has released a new [youth engagement guidance](#) to provide federal staff and contractors with strategies, tools, and tips for appropriately engaging youth in government-sponsored meetings and events. The guidance includes resources for a youth services approach, youth development, youth leadership, civic engagement, and youth organizing.

## **OJJDP Revises Policy for Monitoring States' Compliance with Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act**

OJJDP has updated its "[OJJDP Policy: Monitoring of State Compliance with the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act](#)." This revised policy, posted on the OJJDP website, describes the information that states must submit to demonstrate compliance with the four core requirements of the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act to receive Formula Grant awards administered by OJJDP. This policy also details the steps that OJJDP will undertake when conducting annual compliance determinations based on data the state submits and when assessing state monitoring systems. The policy changes include:

- OJJDP is extending the deadline from January 31 to February 28 for states to submit their Annual Compliance Reports. States may request an extension to March 31.
- States must report data for 85 percent of their facilities-not 100 percent-but show how they would extrapolate and report data for the remaining 15 percent.
- OJJDP will not require states to submit fiscal year 2016 compliance data reflective of the "detain or confine" guidance.

Resources:

[Learn more](#) about the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act.

## **Assistant Attorney General Mason Blogs about Rethinking Youth Incarceration**

In a new [blog post](#) on the [Office of Justice Programs](#) (OJP) website, Assistant Attorney General Karol V. Mason discusses the drawbacks of incarcerating youth. The blog highlights a meeting that OJP hosted on October 21 where Mason joined OJJDP Administrator Robert L. Listenbee, National Institute of Justice Director Nancy Rodriguez, and juvenile justice experts for a [conversation about youth incarceration](#).

Resources:

Read the recent [paper](#) by the National Institute of Justice-funded Harvard Executive Session on Community Corrections.

[Learn more](#) about alternatives to incarceration on the OJJDP website.

View and download OJJDP's "[Juvenile Residential Facility Census, 2014: Selected Findings](#)."

## **Department of Education Releases Resources To Support Justice-Involved Youth Transition**

The U.S. Department of Education [announced](#) the release of [new guides and resources](#) to help justice-involved youth successfully transition back to traditional school settings and avoid recidivism. The resources include a guide written for incarcerated youth, a newly updated transition toolkit and resource guide for practitioners in juvenile justice facilities, a document detailing education programs in juvenile justice facilities from the most recent Civil Rights Data Collection, and a website that provides technical assistance to support youth with disabilities transitioning out of juvenile justice facilities. The resources supplement the Department's [joint guidance with the U.S. Department of Justice](#) to improve school climate and reduce the school-to-prison pipeline.

### Resources:

Read the [guidance](#) established by the Departments of Justice and Education for providing high-quality education to incarcerated youth.

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