

Gender Responsiveness Report Phase Two - Project Plan

Overall Deadlines

- TYJI Survey of families & practitioners: June 8th – July 17th
 - Analysis: July 20th – August 7th
 - Next meeting: August 3rd
 - Can we move to August 10th ?
 - Share an overview of what analysis found and outline for report
- Draft Report: August 14th
 - Based on the analysis, what recommendations would the state agencies want?
- Review/ Feedback period: Due back by August 28th
- Final Draft Report: September 4th
- Presentation to JJPOC: September 17th

What's Next

- Following the release of this landscape analysis, efforts will be continued to ensure the voices of systems-involved girls are considered in future gender responsive work.
- A survey will be administered to girls with at least one month of current involvement with the Department of Children and Families (DCF) and either current or previous involvement with the Judicial Branch Court Support Services Division (JB-CSSD).
- The survey aims to capture their personal opinions as well as changes they believe would be beneficial for systems-involved girls. Participation in the survey will be entirely voluntary, and the survey itself will be administered by the respective agency's personnel.
- To protect the privacy of the girls who choose to participate in the survey, all responses will be deidentified.
- The purpose of this survey is not only to comply with the legislative charge but is also to focus the attention of this matter to those it directly effects: the girls in Connecticut's juvenile justice and child welfare systems.
- These responses will also help lead future recommendations regarding gender responsiveness for legislative consideration. The analysis of the survey and subsequent follow up to this landscape analysis will be released in Fall 2026.

Background and Purpose of Project: During the 2024 Connecticut legislative session, Public Act 24-1394 was enacted and charged the Juvenile Justice Policy and Oversight Committee (JJPOC) with the development of a gender responsive landscape analysis. This landscape analysis, in order to be compliant with this public act, must accomplish seven tasks of which require us to receive and consider input from youth, families, and communities directly impacted by any gaps in gender responsive work. For the purpose of this survey we will be focused on the perspectives of families and providers in Connecticut.

Participants: Parents and Practitioners related to gender-responsive services provided to system involved girls in CT.

Outreach Efforts: Subgroup relationships/recommendations

Future Meetings

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- August 10th – overview of analysis and outline of report
- September 9th – final check in (week of September 7th)

Future Considerations

1. Potential recommendations for legislation
 - a. Both fiscal and non-fiscal
 - b. Will be based off of data request analysis, historical context, and current practices