

THIS MEETING DID NOT CONTAIN A PRESENTATION

Reentry Workgroup

10/1/2024

1:00-2:00

Web Based Meeting- Zoom

Attendance

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Meeting Objectives:

The meeting objectives of the October 1st, 2024, JJPOC Reentry Subgroup Meeting were to review the updated reentry success plan fiscal note, review the updated Quality Assurance Framework, and present a timeline for the delivery of the reentry success plan.

Meeting Summary

- Updated Reentry Success Plan Fiscal Note
 - The Reentry Subgroup has met monthly to discuss the updated fiscal note from state agencies but are still missing some considerations.
 - The Subgroup is seeking specific numbers from agencies that have asked for additional funding.
 - There are different options on credible mentorship, so depending on the population served, the size of the fiscal note could vary
 - Discussion about contact with legislators regarding the fiscal scope of the note, and identifying new funding sources outside of the legislature, in addition to prioritization.
 - State Agencies have been developing a cost estimate for certain Medicaid waiver projects for targeted populations,
 - There may be difficulties for some agencies, as data between adults and youth is hard to separate.
 - Another option is meeting with OPM regarding with what federal grants are available from the DOJ and OJJDP
 - There are possible local foundations that could provide flex funds that support basic needs.

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- 1115 waiver is missing from the note, which would affect youth in Manson.
 - This issue is currently under discussion, as funding is typically internal.
- Question about the efficacy of the credible messenger plan. Despite the plan prioritizing credible messengers, REGIONS and MYI youth prefer reintegration mentors.
 - There is some consideration in implementing a survey identifying the perception of the mentorship programs.
 - There's also a discussion about right sizing the quantity of funding to the credible messenger programs, as it's currently funded at 12 months, but budget option is predicated on up to 24 months.
- There's a discussion about timing, and in that once they acquire all of the fiscal costs, the group is supposed to create a list of priorities, since they can't afford everything on the fiscal list
 - There will be an ad-hoc meeting once all the fiscal determinations are compiled so they could discuss priorities prior to presenting the plan to the Incarceration Committee or JJPOC.
- Quality Assurance Framework.
 - There are two key documents that are under review with state agency leads, the logic model and the accountability document
 - The accountability document was created to define the most important parts of the reentry success plan, but also serves as a coordinating entity by outlining the responsibilities and roles of various state agencies, implementing strategies, and role of JJPOC.
 - There was a meeting with the OPM about what agency is responsible for collecting data associated with implementation strategies, and then develop dashboards used to report to the JJPOC regarding progress.
 - The major goals are outlining the role of probation officer (95% of kids have probation officer after facility treatment), detailing how the Judicial Branch will lead the implementation of the success plan, and planning how the JJPOC is going to ensure accountability from state agencies in implementing the Reentry Success Plan
 - Some of the metrics that will be utilized are academic achievement, employment rate/vocational training, access to wellness services, transport access, and harm reduction if there is still recidivism.
 - The Probation Officer is responsible for coordinating with stakeholders in arranging monthly meetings for all reentering youth.
 - The JBCSSD will arrange community-wide stakeholder meetings, in addition to compiling and monitoring the data and success of all youth reentry plans.
 - The JJPOC will hold both parties accountable and ensure that strategies are sufficiently funded and implemented by state agencies
 - There was a question on how the data would be collected, such as with housing and transportation.

- Do agencies actually have access to this data, and if so, how would it be reported?
- Question about if the wellness plan is an assessment from a school or community-based organization?
 - The wellness plan is a subsection of the discharge plan, and all youth leaving the facility have one. The probation officer connects youth to whatever service/service provides, and if it cannot be met, it would be reported on.
- There was a question regarding continuing services once probation officer's supervision time has ended, and whether its accounted for in the fiscal note?
 - It is written into rules and responsibilities that for a probation officer must connect with local providers for ongoing care, but also that there is not additional support for entities without knowing who they are, and what services will be demanded.
- There was a continuing discussion about the necessity to provide ongoing care, as at this point youth are more likely to reoffend and fall through the cracks in the diversion system
 - There is progress on an ongoing analysis to meet specific behavioral health needs, in addition to an advisory board in the children's behavioral health plan that generates recommendations for policy and budget requests that takes services into account.
- Timeline for Delivery of Reentry Success Plan
 - There will be an ad-hoc meeting to discuss updates to the fiscal plan.

Next Meeting: 10/16/24 (Ad-Hoc)

