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## JJPOC R.E.D. Work Group August 14, 2019 9-11AM The Village, 1680 Albany Ave, Hartford, CT

## **Meeting Summary:**

- Brief recap of the previous meeting regarding CCLP TA, scope of work, and next steps
- Review CCLP Scope of Work and Vision/Mission Statement
  - Jason Szanyi from CCLP facilitated the meeting and presented the draft Vision/Mission Statement. He explained that the end date for the TA is in September but emphasized the importance of setting up a "roadmap" of where this Work Group can continue their work after this end date
    - i. The first step is creating a mission statement and then discussing who is doing the work and how
  - Discussion on how kids don't experience the system the same way or equally. It is important to address both urban and suburban settings in order to focus on RED and DMC statewide
  - Discussion on the importance of police training, as they are the entry point into the system
    - i. Review MOU between schools and police
    - ii. Discussion on having a training for schools and their local police to attend the same training at the same time in order to discuss and collaborate
    - iii. Discussion on "mandating" diversion with police departments
  - The scope of work needs to be narrowed in order to truly accomplish our goal with CCLP providing TA until end of September
    - i. Suggestion on focusing on school-based arrests
    - ii. Discussion on the School-Based Diversion Subgroup created under the Diversion Work Group and how they are working with the CJJR Georgetown team to create a definition for "school-based diversion" for their capstone project.
  - Discussion on DMC and youth with a disability
- CCLP Iowa ToolKit and Baltimore Assessment

- Although Iowa and CT vary in many ways, CT can learn from the challenges, solutions, and concepts and apply them to their own systems
- By looking at their current process and identifying an RED lens that can be applied to standardize services across the board and reduce "justice by geography", Iowa was able to reduce RED by setting a state baseline of diversion, centralize and standardize data collection, and standardize reports that are sent to their localities.
- Discussion on what CT has accomplished so far in terms of diversion effort
- Discussion on standardized screening tools for services in order to reduce RED
- Next Steps
  - TYJI will reach out to SDE and DCF for representation on the RED Work Group
  - TYJI will work with the School-Based Diversion Subgroup to present their draft "school-based diversion" definition to RED work group
  - TYJI will work on adding a RED lens reminder to all work group agendas and projects
    - i. Discussion on the importance of being informed and involved with other work groups and projects to vet the work with an RED lens, especially at an early stage
  - Peter Kochol will prepare information to present to next RED meeting regarding where juvenile arrests are coming from, focusing on DMC, population demographics, and areas with higher juvenile arrest rates in general
  - Cromwell PD will look into how they collect juvenile data and if it is extractable
  - Jason will edit mission statement and send out the new version, along with additional resources for the work group to review

**Next Meeting**- Wednesday, September 11, 2019 9am-10:30, The Consultation Center, 389 Whitney Ave, New Haven, CT

\*\*Meetings will he held the 2nd Wednesday of every month, alternating between Hartford and New Haven.