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## JJPOC R.E.D. Work Group December 11, 2019 9:30-11:00am Zoom (Online)

## **Meeting Summary:**

- Discussion on YSB/JRB Information
  - The workgroup members reviewed YSB and JRB reports to ensure everyone was on the same page in understanding the systems, data, and relevancy to RED.
  - The members of the Workgroup engaged in a discussion on YSB/JRB funding.
    - Chief Denise is having conversations with her YSB about funding of services, personnel grants, etc.
    - There was discussion on creating a more uniform system of funding and increasing access. There was discussion on how to use legislative action, studies, working with CYSA/DCF to help.
  - There was discussion on JRB referrals and net-widening.
  - The workgroup reviewed the type and quantity of data that YSBs and JRBs collect.
    - The proportion of YSB referrals that are youth of color varies greatly depending of demographic of specific municipalities. Services may also vary depending on geographic locations.
    - The workgroup discussed having the data run by town of arrest, but it was pointed out that large venues such as malls and arenas may influence statistics.
  - There is some data that is not currently available that the workgroup members would like to have access to. This includes;
    - Relative rate index of those who are arrested and those who are served, top 3 reasons for referrals, and completion of services. All of the aforementioned data points should be broken down by race/ethnicity.
  - How do we define a successful completion of JRB programming? Currently, there are discrepancies among the various JRBs across the state. There was discussion on successful completion of JRB programming and how that is defined.
- The workgroup members discussed a potential recommendation through the 2020 JJPOC Recommendations package that would call for a study. The group also pointed out that if not done legislatively, studies can also be pursued by the Workgroup independently.
- Next Steps
  - o Judicial will work on the data requests made during this meeting.
  - TYJI will work with the Diversion co-chairs and the Cross-Agency Data Sharing Workgroup co-chairs to request additional data as well.

Next Meeting: January 8th, 2020 @ CSSD, 455 Winding Brook Drive, Glastonbury, CT 06033