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# FY 2017 Second Chance Act Orientation Webinar for Reentry Program for Adults with Co-occurring Substance Use and Mental Disorders

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The Second Chance Act has supported over **\$300 million** in reentry investments across the country



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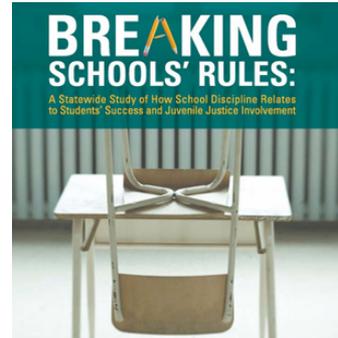
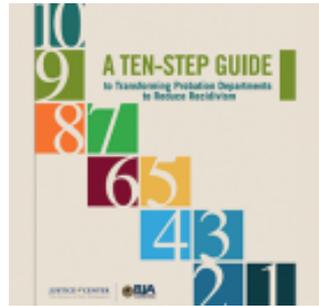
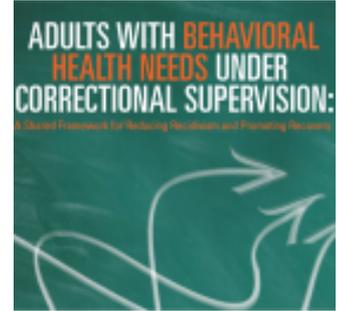
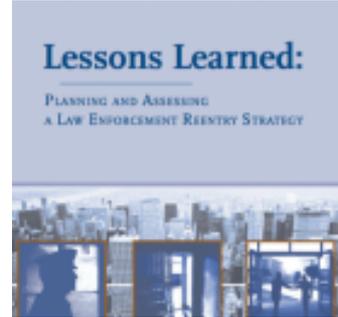
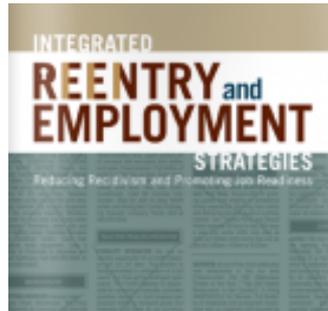
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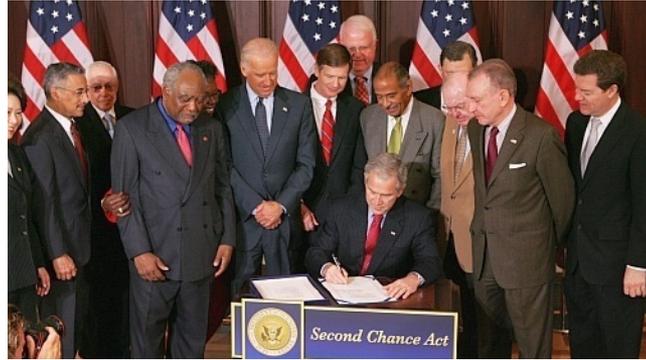
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# National Reentry Resource Center (NRRC)



- Authorized by the passage of the Second Chance Act in April 2008
- Launched by the Council of State Governments in October 2009
- Administered in partnership with the Bureau of Justice Assistance, U.S. Department of Justice
- The NRRC has provided technical assistance to over 600 juvenile and adult reentry grantees since inception



### Mentoring as a Component of Reentry: Practical Considerations from

This publication offers five evidence-based practical considerations for incorporating mentoring into reentry programs for adults.

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**Reentry will be their next step.**

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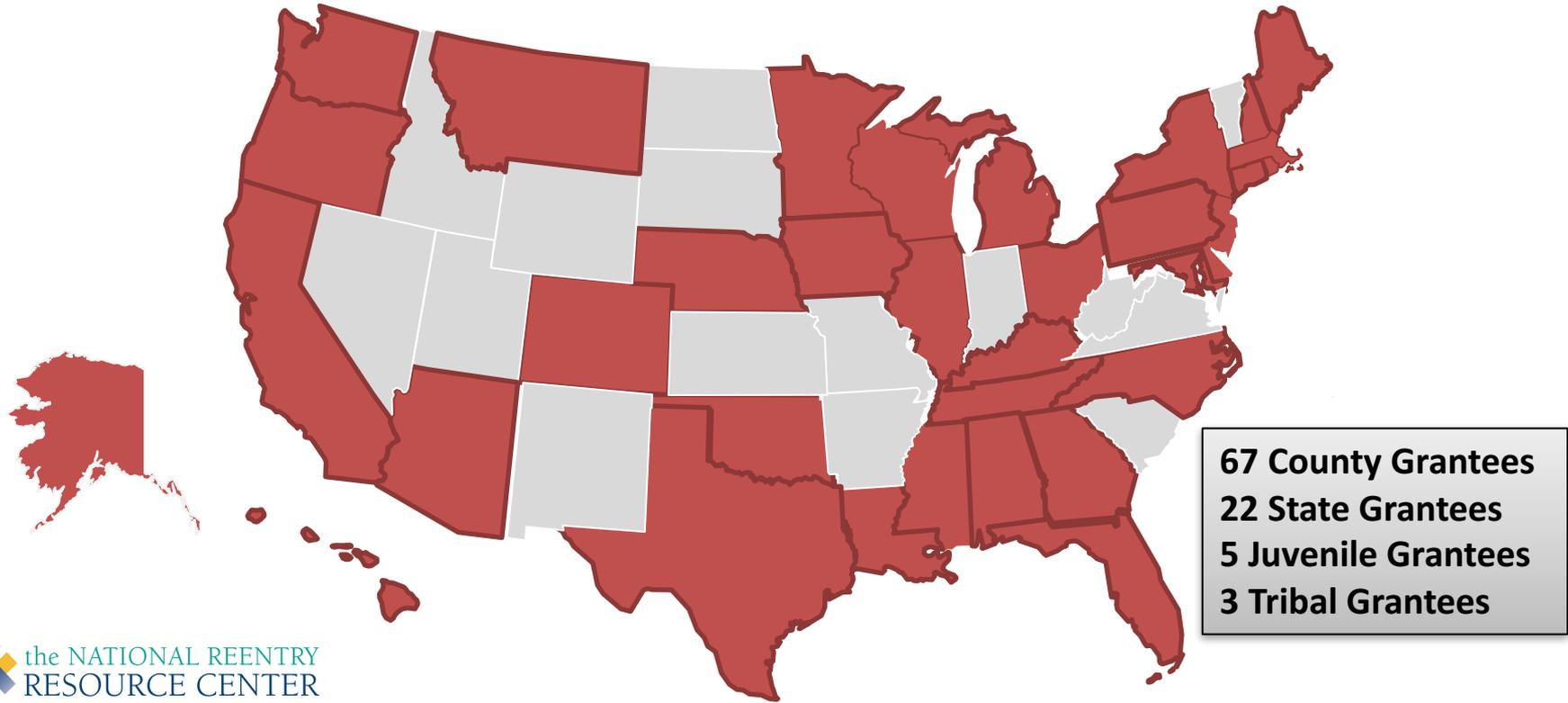
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# SCA Co-occurring Disorders Grant Program: \$55 Million Awarded



# SCA COD Grant Program 97 Awards Across the Nation



# FY17 Co-occurring Disorders Grantees

## *Local*

- Cumberland County, Maine
- City of Huntington, West Virginia
- LaCrosse County Human Services, Wisconsin
- MHMR of Tarrant County, Texas
- Shelby County, Tennessee

## *State*

- Tennessee Department of Correction
- Rhode Island and Providence Plantations Department of Corrections

## *Tribal*

- Cook Inlet Tribal Council, Inc., Alaska

# Grantee Orientation Process

- Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) Second Chance Act (SCA) Orientation Webinar
  - Tuesday, November 21<sup>st</sup>
- FY17 SCA Reentry Program for Adult Offenders with Co-occurring Substance Use and Mental Disorders Grantee Webinar
  - **Today (Wednesday, November 29<sup>th</sup>)**
- Orientation/Introductory Call
  - Scheduled with your CSG Justice Center TA providers
    - Mark Stovell, Policy Analyst
    - Allison Upton, Senior Policy Analyst

# Grantee Contacts

- Bureau of Justice Assistance
  - Funder, State Policy Advisor
  - Budget and Grant Adjustment Notices
- National Reentry Resource Center
  - Training and Technical Assistance
    - Monthly Calls
    - Site Visits
- Booz Allen
  - Performance Measurement Tool

# Purpose of the SCA COD Grant Program

- Goal: Reduce recidivism by improving functional outcomes for individuals with co-occurring substance use and mental disorders, both pre- and post-release
- Objectives
  - 1) Increase the screening and assessment that takes place during incarceration.
  - 2) Improve the provision of integrated treatment to adults with co-occurring substance use and mental disorders pre- and post-release from incarceration.
  - 3) Develop reentry plans that are informed by risk and needs assessment.

# SCA COD Program Expectations

- During the Planning Phase, grantees will receive intensive technical assistance and will be allowed to access up to \$100,000 of the total grant award in order to complete and submit a required Planning and Implementation Guide (P&I Guide).
- The P&I Guide will guide each grantee in developing a strategic plan that incorporates evidence-based programs, policies, and practices.
- Once P&I Guides are submitted and approved by BJA, grantees will move into the Implementation Phase of their project and gain access to the remainder of their grant funds.

# Planning Phase: Basic Information

- The Planning Phase is designed to:
  - Build capacity for implementing the grant program
  - Identify strengths and areas that need improvement
  - Target TA and identify themes across grantees
  - Increase the exchange of ideas

# Use of Funds for Planning Phase

- Staff time to work with partners and collect data related to the RNR Simulation Tool
- Establish a program design, including the integration of an Integrated Care Model
- Continuing or commencing a strategic plan for the implementation of health care services into the program design
- Continuing development of a Continuum of Care model
  - Screening and assessment
  - Pre-release treatment services
  - Post-release programming
  - Gaps within the remaining system are filled by strategically targeting grant funds

# Use of Planning Funds Continued

- Improving and enhancing the use of screening and assessment
- Engaging in strategic planning to ensure long-term systems change and sustainability
- Formalizing program partnerships, including memorandums of understanding (MOUs)
- Formalizing partnership (if necessary) with a research/evaluation partner
- Working with a research/evaluation partner to set performance outcome measures
- Developing and enhancing strategies to increase access to health care for people in the justice system, including enrollment in benefits

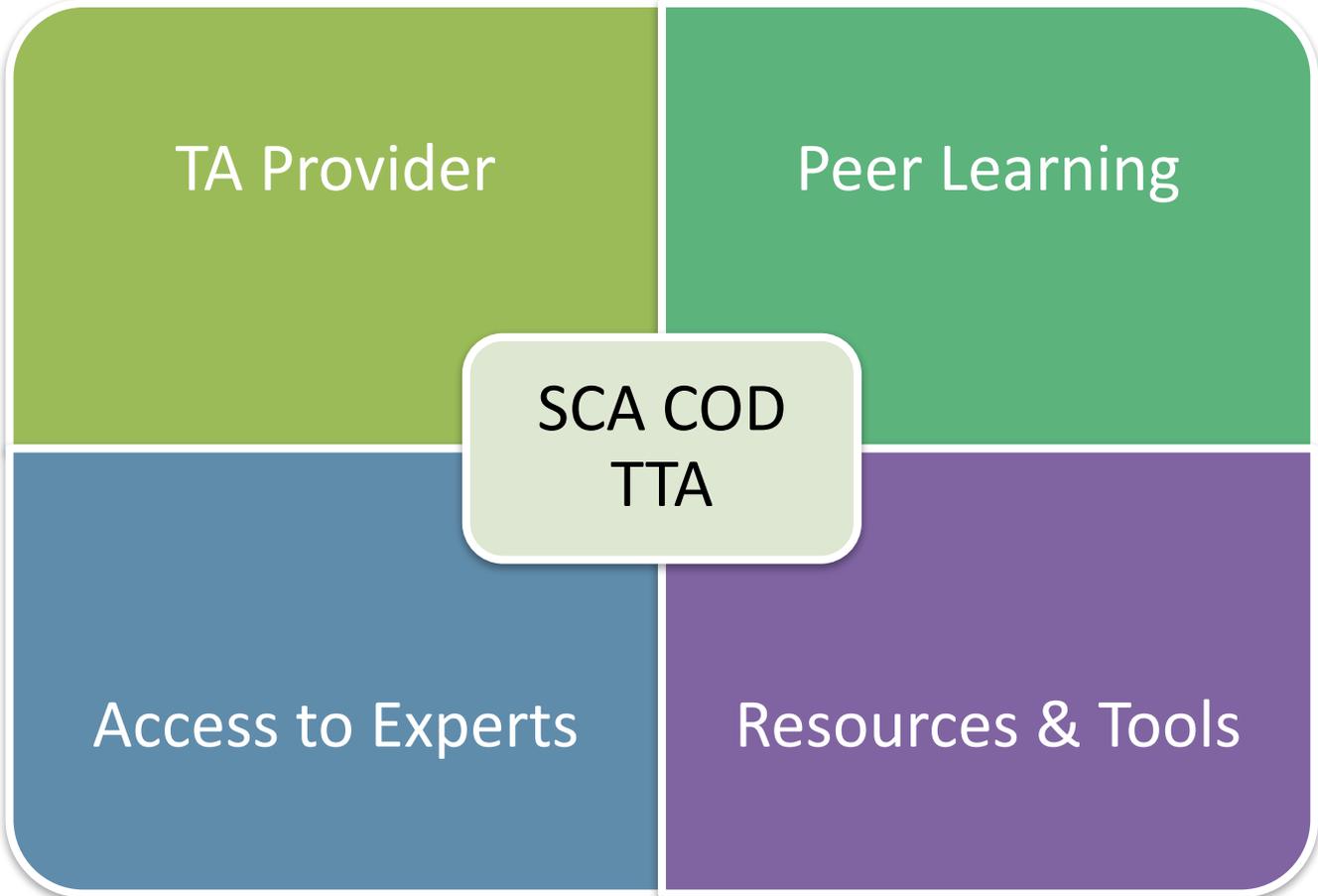
# Uses of Funds for Implementation

- Address criminogenic risk and needs, and recidivism reduction
- Use integrated and evidence-based substance use and mental disorders treatment
- Support a comprehensive range of recovery support services
- Provide community supervision services which follow evidence-based practices
- Demonstrate ability to utilize a collaborative case management model
- Plan for data collection, performance measurement, and quality assurance to meet grant's performance measurement reporting requirements and plan for conducting process/outcome evaluation

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# NRRC Technical Assistance Overview

- Your designated NRRC technical assistance lead will provide and coordinate support in several areas, including:
  - ✓ Completion of the P&I Guide
  - ✓ Identifying measures and strategies to track progress
  - ✓ Content and facilitation support
  - ✓ Sharing successes with stakeholders, the field, and the press





# Examples of Technical Assistance

Assisting with data collection and analysis

Facilitating strategic planning sessions or meetings of reentry task forces

Training on what works to reduce recidivism, promote recovery, and improve other outcomes

Helping translate research into proposed policy and practice improvements

Supporting the development of Implementation and/or Sustainability Plans

# Planning Phase: The Process

- Work with team of stakeholders to complete the COD P&I Guide in phases
  - Be honest and accurate
  - Brief answers
- Fill out exercises prior to NRRC monthly calls with your TA provider
  - Send to TA provider exercises prior to calls
  - Discuss exercises on calls
  - Update the exercises as changes occur

# How is the P&I Guide Used?

- To assist grantees in ensuring a plan is in place for implementing a great program
- Identification of things grantee is doing well
- Challenges or areas the grantee is working on
- Helps the TA provider target assistance
- Aids the grantee in focusing on areas of need
- Creates opportunities for discussion with other COD grantees
  - Peer to peer learning
- Enables ideas and best practices to be exchanged
- BJA utilizes this to understand the grant programs

# P&I Guide Sections

- Section One: Getting Started and Identifying Goals
- Section Two: Defining or Refining Your Target Population
- Section Three: Identifying Evidence-Based Services and Support
- Section Four: Collaborative Comprehensive Case Plans
- Section Five: Data Collection, Performance Measurement, and Program Evaluation
- Section Six: Sustainability
- Appendix A: Supporting Resources

# Section One

Getting started and identifying goals

- Grantee information
- Task force and implementation team
- RNR Simulation Tool portals

# Section Two

Defining or refining your target population

- Describing your target population and program eligibility
- Evaluating your screening and assessment process
  - How your screening and assessment tools are used
  - Matching questions in the Assess an Individual Portal with screening and assessment data

# Section Three

Identifying evidence-based services and supports

- Service provision and evidence-based curricula
  - Inventory of programs and services
  - How program participants engage in programming and services
  - Using the RNR Program Tool for Adults

# Section Four

## Collaborative Comprehensive Case Plans and Post-Release Supports

- Collaborative Comprehensive Case Plans
- Using the Assess an Individual Portal outputs for case planning
- Community supervision strategies
- Connections to health care coverage and other benefits
- Housing

# Section Five

Data collection, performance measurement, and program evaluation

- Developing a data collection and performance-measurement strategy
  - General data collection questions
  - Collection of performance measures
- Program evaluation
  - Planning for program evaluation
  - Development of a logic model

# Section Six

- Planning for Program Sustainability
- Using the Assess Jurisdiction Capacity tool

After the P&I Guide is complete (within one year after the grant award date)

- The guides will be revisited even after they are turned into BJA in order to aid conversations about implementation

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## Criminal Justice - Targeted Research and Application of Knowledge (CJ-TRAK) Portal

Translating the evidence-based practices (EBP) to everyday operations is important. EBP or the "what works" consists of a large body of research that needs to be at the fingertips of those interested in using the material. To avoid the "one size fits all" problem, the RNR Portal has three parts.

[LOG IN OR CREATE ACCOUNT](#)

[FORGOT PASSWORD?](#)

The **Evidence Mapping Tool** summarizes our current state of knowledge in relevant topic areas. **RNR Simulation Tool** will help jurisdictions: 1) assess their current systems; 2) identify gaps; and 3) prioritize program controls and services based on desired outcomes. The tool can also be used for an individual client/offender.

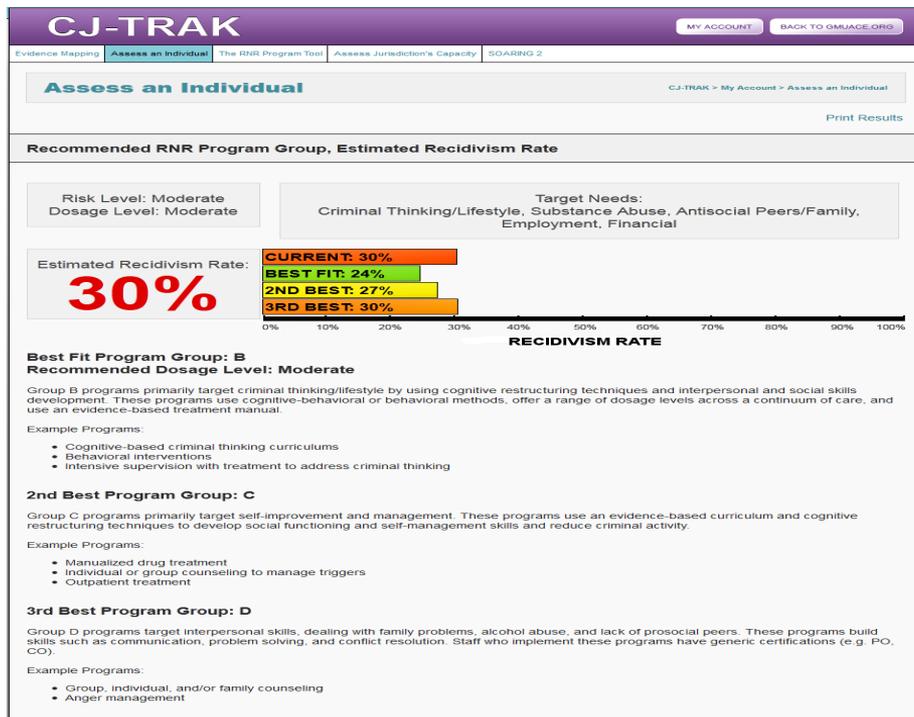
**SOARING 2** is a suite of tools to help learn about the EBP concepts.

<p><b>Evidence Mapping</b></p>  <p>View synthesized data from meta analyses and systematic reviews on what works in corrections &amp; health.</p> <p><b>LAUNCH</b></p>	<p><b>Assess an Individual/ Estimate Recidivism Reduction</b></p>  <p><b>Coming Soon:</b> Assess offenders or estimate the reduction in recidivism your community can expect by matching individuals to treatment programs.</p>	<p><b>Rate Your Jurisdiction's Program</b></p>  <p><b>Coming Soon:</b> Assess your current programs, based on treatment offered, content, quality, and other factors.</p>
<p><b>Assess Jurisdiction's Capacity/ Estimate Recidivism Reduction</b></p>  <p><b>Coming Soon:</b> Use client population data and current programming to identify programs that meet your population's needs.</p>	<p><b>Estimate Cost Savings</b></p>  <p><b>Coming Soon:</b> Estimate reductions in costs that your jurisdiction can expect from recidivism reduction if you follow recommendations.</p>	<p><b>SOARING 2</b></p>  <p><b>Coming Soon:</b> A suite of tools to help learn about the EBP concepts.</p>

# RNR Simulation Tool

- Assess an Individual
  - Builds on risk assessment
  - Links to RNR Program Tool
  - Allows users to build a case plan based on risk, needs, strengths, and obligations
- RNR Program Tool for Adults
  - Classifies programs
  - Rates key program features
  - Links to meta analyses/systematic reviews
- Jurisdiction Capacity
  - Evaluates population needs
  - Identifies programming gaps
  - Can inform resource allocation and planning at the system level

# Responding to Risk and Needs: Assess an Individual



22 Questions to Answer  
5 Minutes to Complete  
3 Program  
Recommendations

## 2nd Best Program Group: Self-Improvement and Management (C)

Group C programs primarily target self-improvement and management. These programs use an evidence-based curriculum and cognitive restructuring techniques to develop social functioning and self-management skills and reduce criminal activity.

Example Programs:

- Manualized drug treatment
- Individual or group counseling to manage triggers
- Outpatient treatment

**VIEW GROUP C PROGRAMS  
AVAILABLE IN YOUR JURISDICTION**

## 3rd Best Program Group: Social and Interpersonal Skill Development (D)

Group D programs target interpersonal skills, dealing with family problems, alcohol abuse, and lack of prosocial peers. These programs build such as communication, problem solving, and conflict resolution. Staff who implement these programs have generic certifications (e.g. PO, CC

Example Programs:

- Group, individual, and/or family counseling
- Anger management

**VIEW GROUP D PROGRAMS  
AVAILABLE IN YOUR JURISDICTION**

### Client Target Needs

Client Target Need #1:  

Identify what target behavior the client will perform toward addressing the need, e.g., attend Thinking for a Change class:

# Individual Progress Reports

**Assess an Individual Reassessment Comparison-  
OP21083**

CJ-TRAK > My Account > Assess an Individual

[PRINT RESULTS](#)

**Estimated Recidivism Rate:**

**51%**

**% Change:**

**↓↓ 30%**

**This client has shown progress in the following areas and should be affirmed for doing so: Housing stability, Substance Abuse, Criminal Thinking, Criminal peers, Family environment**

**This client has continued to show strengths in the following areas and should be affirmed for doing so: Emotional and/or social support**

**This client has shown no change in the following areas and should problem-solve ways to address these areas: Ability to meet financial obligations**

# RNR Program Tool for Adults

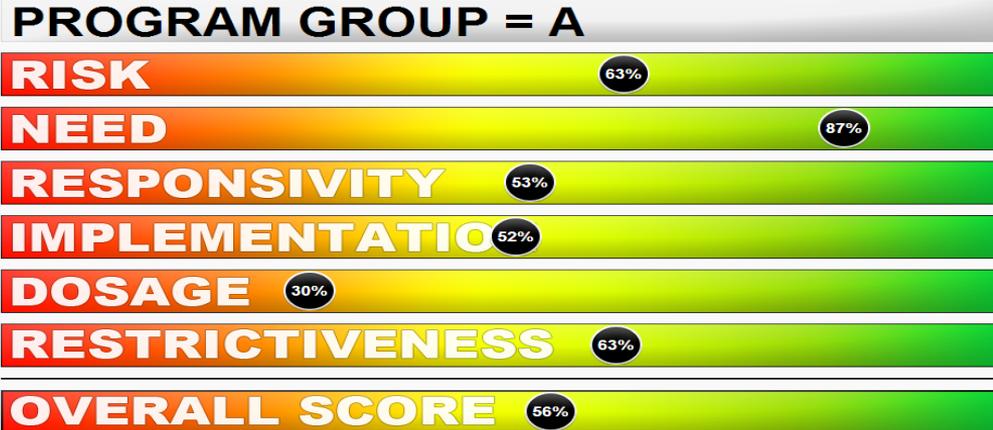
- 6 program levels to guide responsiveness
  - Individuals matched to levels based on risk and primary needs
- Essential features distinguish programs
  - Target behaviors, clinical hours, risk level, use of manual, screening, staff credentials
- Quality assessment score points to program strengths and areas for improvement

# Program Classification Groups

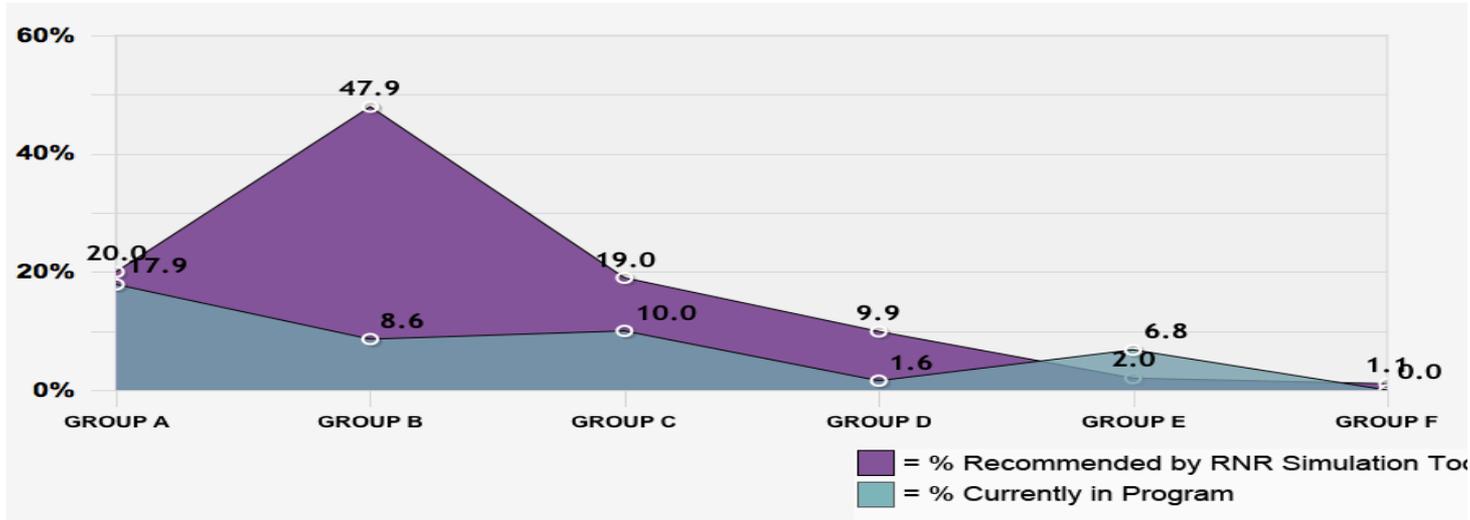
GROUP A	• Severe Substance Use Disorders
GROUP B	• Criminal Thinking/Cognitive Restructuring
GROUP C	• Self Improvement & Management
GROUP D	• Interpersonal Skills
GROUP E	• Life Skills
GROUP F	• Punishment Only

# RNR Program Tool for Adults

46 Questions to  
Answer  
1 Hour to  
Complete  
6 Feedback  
Domains



# Assess Jurisdiction Capacity Tool



- Greatest unfulfilled needs are cognitive restructuring programs, mental health, co-occurring disorders, and substance use disorders

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- Lt. Dennis Pass, Rockdale County Sheriff's Office, Conyers, Georgia

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