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FY18 Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program

Solicitation Webinar



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Bureau of Justice Assistance

BJA helps to make American communities safer by strengthening the nation's criminal justice system: Its grants, training and technical assistance, and policy development services provide state, local, and tribal governments with the cutting edge tools and best practices they need to reduce violent and drug-related crime, support law enforcement, and combat victimization.

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Justice Reinvestment in Idaho:

Analyses & Policy Framework

INTEGRATED

REENTRY and EMPLOYMENT STRATEGIES

Reducing Recidivism and Promoting Job Readiness

Lessons Learned:

PLANNING AND ASSESSING
A LAW ENFORCEMENT REENTRY STRATEGY

ADULTS WITH BEHAVIORAL HEALTH NEEDS UNDER CORRECTIONAL SUPERVISION:

A Global Framework for Reducing Recidivism and Promoting Recovery

10 A TEN-STEP GUIDE

to Transforming Probation Departments to Reduce Recidivism

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States Trained in Using the Curriculum

BREAKING SCHOOLS' RULES:

A Synthesis Study of New School Discipline Policies to Reduce Recidivism and Promote Justice Investment

Reentry Matters:

Strategies and Successes of Second Chance Act Grantees Across the United States

With over 10 years of experience in the criminal justice system, the Department of Justice's Office of Justice Programs... The program supports state efforts to provide... through employment services, housing and... strategies to reduce the risk of... reentry, including a wide range of services... and... to reduce the risk of... and... to reduce the risk of...

Supporting Employment and Job Readiness

Employment is a key factor in reducing recidivism... and... to reduce the risk of... and... to reduce the risk of... and... to reduce the risk of...

Eligibility

- States, units of local government, and federally recognized Indian tribal governments (as determined by the Secretary of the Interior)
- BJA will *only* accept applications that will be administered jointly by an agency with responsibility for
 - criminal or juvenile justice activities and
 - a mental health agency.



Overview JMHCP

- Supports cross-system collaboration to improve responses and outcomes for individuals with
 - mental illnesses (MI) or co-occurring mental illness and substance abuse (CMISA) who come into contact with the justice system.
- This contact can occur because a crime was committed, or because law enforcement officers were first responders to a call for service involving a person with mental illness but in which no crime was committed.
- This program supports public safety and violence reduction through service partnerships that enhance and increase law enforcement responses to people with MI and CMISA.



Program-Specific Information

- JMHCP promotes
 - officer and public safety through the coordination of system resources for people who are accessing multiple services including hospital emergency departments, jails, and mental health crisis services.
 - cross-discipline training for justice and treatment professionals; and
 - facilitates communication, collaboration, and the delivery of support services among justice professionals, and treatment and related service providers.



Grant Categories

- **Category 1:** Collaborative County Approaches to Reducing the Prevalence of Individuals with Serious Mental Illness in Jails
- **Category 2:** Strategic Planning for Police and Mental Health Collaboration Competition
- **Category 3:** Implementation and Expansion



Category 1: Collaborative County Approaches

- **Objective:** To increase and maintain jail capacity for violent offenders, and develop a systemwide coordinated approach to safely reduce the prevalence of non-criminal individuals with MI and CMISA in local jails.



Stepping Up: A National Initiative to Reduce the Number of People with Mental Illnesses in Jails



Released in January 2017

To read the full report, please visit:

https://stepuptogether.org/updates/stepping_up_releases_foundational_report

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Category 1 Phases

- Phase 1:
- Within 8 months of receiving final approval of the project's budget from OJP, spend up to \$100,000 in support of the below activities:
 - receive intensive technical assistance (TA) from BJA's national TTA provider,
 - follow and document the steps laid out in the [Category 1 Planning and Implementation Guide](#).
- Phase 2: After BJA approval of the Planning and Implementation Guide, spend the remaining grant funds on directly related implementation activities.



Category 1: Phase 1 Deliverables

1. Establish a team (or utilize a pre-existing team) of county leaders, relevant stakeholders, and decision makers from multiple agencies to engage in the planning process.
2. Develop a plan to conduct timely screening and assessments for MI and CMISA and for risk of recidivism.
3. Establish baseline measures of: the number of people with MI and CMISA booked into jail, their average length of stay, percentage of people connected to treatment, and their recidivism rates.
4. Conduct a comprehensive process analysis and inventory of services to determine existing policies, practices, programs and treatments that exist; and identify service capacity and gaps as well as evidence-based programs and practices.
5. Prioritize policy, practice and funding improvements and estimate the impact of new strategies.
6. Establish a process for tracking the impact of the plan on four key outcomes (on the next slide)



Four Key Measures Outcomes To Track Progress

1. Reduce

the number of people with mental illness booked into jail

2. Shorten

the average length of stay for people with mental illnesses in jails

3. Increase

the percentage of people with mental illnesses in jail connected to the right services and supports

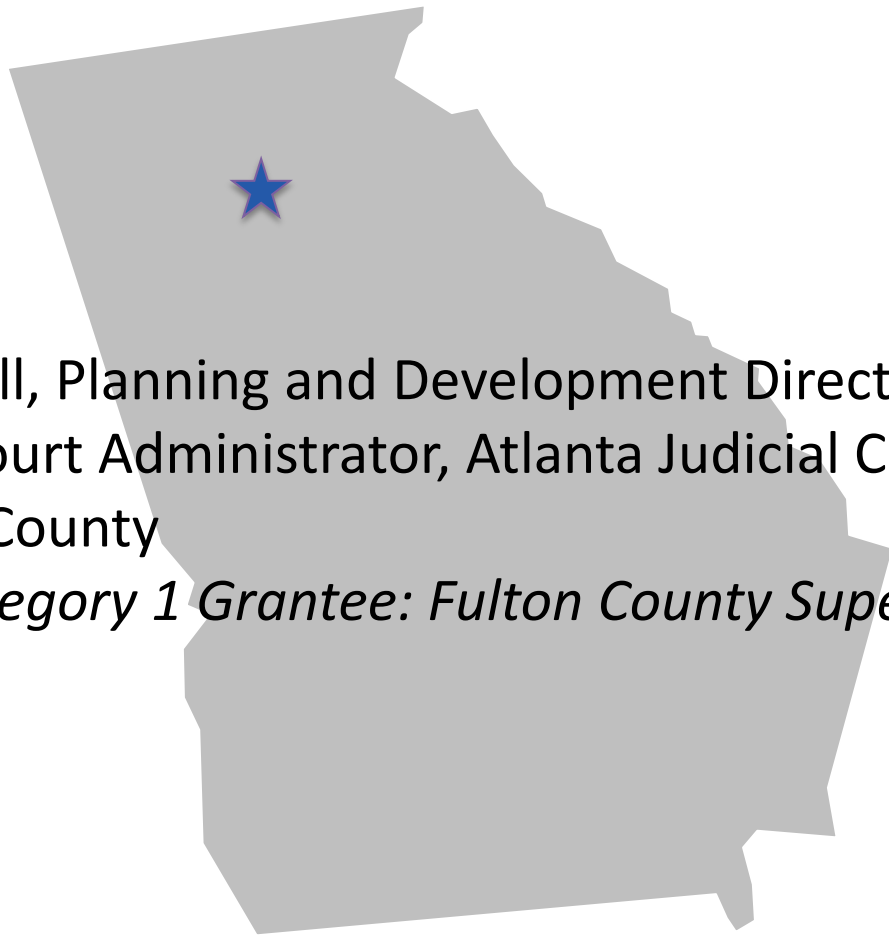
4. Lower

rates of recidivism



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FY16 JMHCP Category 1 Grantee: Fulton County Superior Court, Georgia



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Category 2: Strategic Planning for Law Enforcement and Mental Health Collaboration

- **Objective:** To free up law enforcement time to focus on responding to violent crime; and, to improve officer and citizen safety during calls for service involving people with MI and CMISA.
- Upon receiving a grant award, and with intensive technical assistance provided by BJA's national training and technical assistance provider, develop and document a [Police Mental Health Collaboration \(PMHC\)](#) using the [Category 2 Strategic Planning Guide](#).



Police Mental Health Collaboration (PMHC) Framework



Is our **leadership** committed to the police-mental health collaboration (PMHC)?



Are we following clear **protocols** to respond to people who have mental illnesses?



Are we providing staff with quality mental health and de-escalation **training**?



Do we have the **resources and service connections** for people who have mental illnesses?



Do we collect and analyze **data**?



Do we have a process for reviewing and **improving performance**?

Category 2: Deliverables

1. Establish an interagency workgroup including law enforcement (LE), behavioral health (BH), and all other major stakeholders
2. Designate LE agency project coordinator to review data on performance, adherence to policies and procedures, ensure partner engagement and run day to day operations.
3. Review (and revise as needed) existing protocols to respond to people who have MI and CMISA, including interagency agreements, screening and guidance for mental health calls for service, and information sharing.
4. Review (and revise as needed) existing, and develop or revise as needed, officer and call-taker mental health and de-escalation training.
5. Assess existing behavioral care resources, identify gaps in services, and prioritize behavioral health resources for the PMHC.
6. Assess ability to track mental health-related calls for service and dispositions and develop additional capacity to analyze and track.
7. Develop a process for reviewing and improving performance data to promote additional PMHC capacity and long-term sustainability.



Kayce Rane, Consultant
*FY17 JMHCP Category 2 Grantee: San Joaquin County District
Attorney's Office, California* ★



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Category 3: Implementation & Expansion

- **Objective:** To increase public safety and reduce recidivism among high risk people with MI and CMISA.
- Category 3 grants can support
 - law enforcement,
 - prosecution,
 - court-based,
 - corrections,
 - parole and probation initiatives.
- Grant funds may be used to support a combination of the allowable use categories, or be concentrated on one specific category.

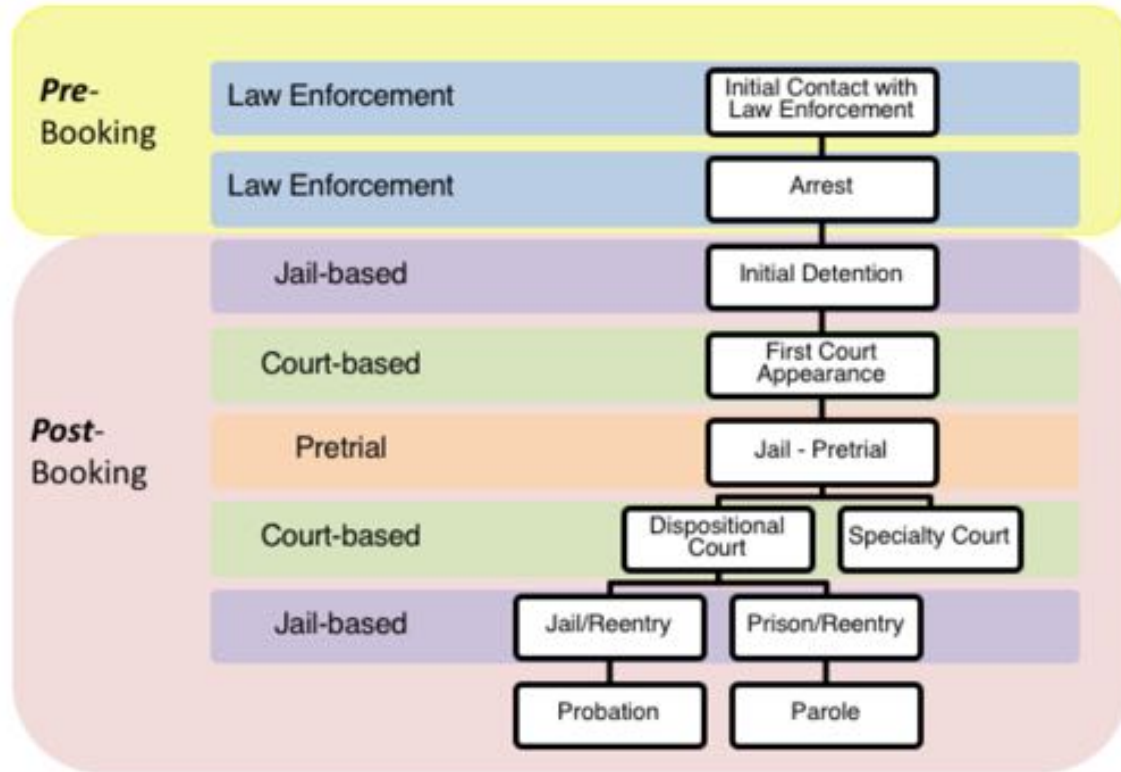


Category 3 Grant Phases

- Phase 1: Upon receiving a grant award, and within 6 months of receiving final approval of the project's budget from OJP, spend up to \$150,000 in support of the below activities, receive technical assistance from BJA's national training and technical assistance provider, and follow and document the steps laid out in the [Category 3 Planning and Implementation Guide](#).
- Phase 2: After completion and BJA approval of the Planning and Implementation Guide, remaining grant funds may be used to support the following allowable activities:

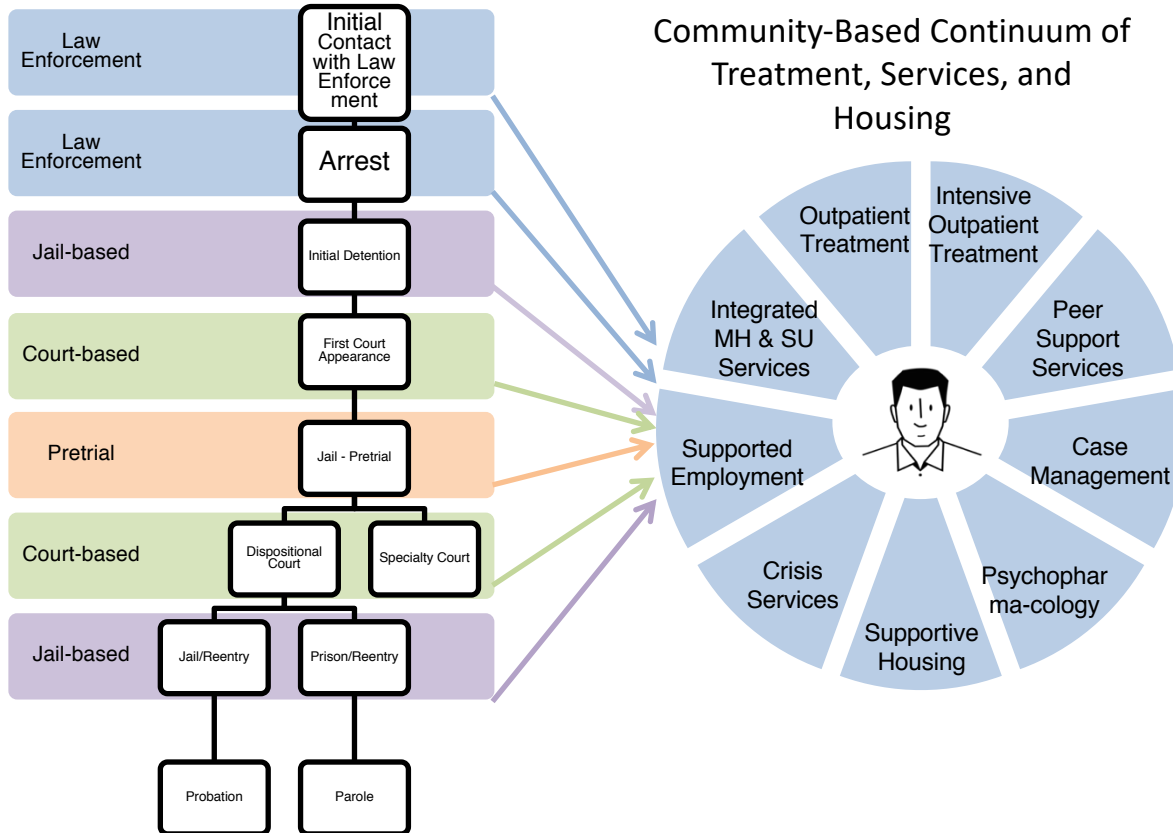


Behavioral Health Diversion Strategies



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Invest in full range of system improvements



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Category 3: Deliverables Phase 3

- Training for criminal justice, mental health, and substance abuse treatment personnel.
 - Specialized training for law enforcement
 - Staff training targeting mental health and criminogenic needs
 - Cross-system training law enforcement, corrections-based staff, courts personnel, community supervision personnel, and community-based mental health and substance abuse providers
 - Training for judges and prosecutors
- Screening, assessment, and information sharing processes
- Specialized caseloads
- Case management and service coordination
- Information sharing



Priority Considerations

1. Use of Criminogenic and Violence Risk Assessments to Identify and Prioritize Treatment and Case Management Services for Individuals at Risk for Committing Future Violence
2. Program Evaluation
3. Provision of Services for Female Offenders

Target Population Category 3

- Current research points toward the “Risk-Need-Responsivity” (RNR) model for how corrections and judicial authorities should be identifying and prioritizing individuals to receive appropriate interventions.
- When prioritizing individuals with behavioral health needs in the justice system for scarce programming and treatment resources, priority should be given to those at higher risk for recidivism and higher criminogenic need, as determined by validated actuarial risk and need assessment.





Brooke O'Byrne, Director of Court Services, 6th Judicial District Court
FY17 JMHCP Category 3 Grantee: Humboldt County, Nevada



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Target Population:

21st Century Cures Act

- Grant funds must be used to support a target population that includes adults or juveniles who:
 - Have been diagnosed as having a MI or CMISA or manifest obvious signs of MI or CMISA during arrest or confinement or before any court;
 - Have been unanimously approved for participation in a program funded under this solicitation by (as appropriate) the relevant prosecuting attorney, defense attorney, probation or corrections official, judge, and a representative from the relevant mental health agency, and having been determined by each of these relevant individuals to not pose a risk of violence to any person in the program, or the public, ; and
 - Have not been charged with or convicted of any sex offense (as defined at 34 U.S.C. §20911) or any offense relating to the sexual exploitation of children, or murder or assault with intent to commit murder.



Target Population: Court-Based Programs

1. whether the participation of the defendant in the program would pose a substantial risk of violence to the community;
2. the criminal history of the defendant and the nature and severity of the offense for which the defendant is charged;
3. the views of any relevant victims to the offense;
4. the extent to which the defendant would benefit from participation in the program;
5. the extent to which the community would realize cost savings because of the defendant's participation in the program; and
6. whether the defendant satisfies the eligibility criteria for program participation unanimously established by the relevant prosecuting attorney, defense attorney, probation or corrections official, judge and mental health or substance abuse agency representative.



Evidence-Based Programs or Practices

- OJP strongly emphasizes the use of data and evidence in policy making and program development in criminal justice, juvenile justice, and crime victim services. OJP is committed to:
 - Improving the quantity and quality of evidence OJP generates.
 - Integrating evidence into program, practice, and policy decisions within OJP and the field.
 - Improving the translation of evidence into practice.



Information Regarding Potential Evaluation of Programs and Activities

- The Department of Justice has prioritized the use of evidence-based programming and deems it critical to continue to build and expand the evidence informing criminal and juvenile justice programs to reach the highest level of rigor possible.
- Office of Justice Programs may conduct or support an evaluation of the programs and activities funded under this solicitation.



Federal Award Information

- CATEGORY 1: Collaborative County Approaches to Reducing the Prevalence of Individuals with Serious Mental Illnesses in Jails
 - *Grant amount:* Up to \$300,000 for jurisdictions with populations less than 100,000, up to \$400,000 for jurisdictions with populations between 100,000 and 499,999, and up to \$500,000 for jurisdictions with populations of 500,000 or more.
 - *Project period:* 24 months.
- CATEGORY 2: Strategic Planning for Law Enforcement and Mental Health Collaboration
 - *Grant amount:* Up to \$100,000.
 - *Project period:* 12 months.
- CATEGORY 3: Implementation and Expansion
 - *Grant amount:* Up to \$750,000.
 - *Project period:* 36 months.



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Budget Information

- Applicants for Categories 1 and 3 must explain their inability to fund the collaboration program adequately without Federal assistance; specify how the Federal support will be used to supplement, and not supplant, State, local, Indian tribe, or tribal organization sources of funding that would otherwise be available, including billing third-party resources for services already covered; and outline plans for obtaining necessary support to continue the proposed collaboration program following federal support.



Additional Budget Requirements

- For all applicants, include the amount and source of matching funding
- Category 1 and 3 applicants must set aside an adequate amount of funding to implement a data collection plan.
- Category 1 applicants should structure their budget to accommodate access to a portion of the budget: up to \$100,000 of the total grant award, in order to complete and submit a required portion of the Planning and Implementation guide within 8 months of receiving final OJP approval of the project budget.
- Category 3 applicants should structure their budgets to accommodate access to a portion of the budget: up to \$150,000 of the total grant award in order to complete and submit a required Planning and Implementation guide within 6 months of receiving final OJP approval of the project budget.
- Program budget approval and coordination with a technical assistance coordinator are required to complete and submit a Planning and Implementation Guide.



Cost Sharing or Matching Requirement (cash or in-kind)

- Federal funds awarded under this solicitation may not cover more than 80 percent of the total costs of the project. An applicant must identify the source of the 20 percent non-federal portion of the total project costs and how it will use match funds. If a successful applicant's proposed match exceeds the required match amount, and OJP approves the budget, the total match amount incorporated into the approved budget becomes mandatory and subject to audit. Indian tribes and tribal organizations that otherwise are eligible for an award may be able to apply certain types of funds received from the federal government (for example, certain funds received under an Indian "self-determination contract") to satisfy all or part of a required "non-federal" match.
- Grants Financial Guide at <https://ojp.gov/financialguide/DOJ/PostawardRequirements/chapter3.3b.htm> for examples of "in-kind" services.



What an Application Should Include

- For this solicitation, BJA has designated the following application elements as critical: Program Narrative, Budget Detail Worksheet, and Budget Narrative.
 1. Information to Complete the Application for Federal Assistance
 2. Project Abstract
 3. Program Narrative
 4. Budget and Associated Documentation
 5. Indirect Cost Rate Agreement (if applicable)
 6. Tribal Authorizing Resolution (if applicable)
 7. Financial Management and System of Internal Controls Questionnaire (including applicant disclosure of high risk status)
 8. Disclosure of Lobbying Activities
 9. Additional Required Attachments



Review Criteria

- Description of the Issue (15 percent)
- Project Design and Implementation (40 percent)
- Capabilities and Competencies (30 percent)
- Plan for Collecting the Data required for this Solicitation's Performance Measures (5 percent)
- Budget (10 percent)

How to Apply

- Applicants must register in and submit applications through Grants.gov, a primary source to find federal funding opportunities and apply for funding.
- Find complete instructions on how to register and submit an application at <https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/support.html>.
- Applicants that experience technical difficulties during this process should call the Grants.gov Customer Support Hotline at **800-518-4726** or **606-545-5035**, which operates 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, except on federal holidays.



Deadline

Applicants must register with Grants.gov at <https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/register.htm> prior to submitting an application. All applications are due by 11:59 p.m. eastern time on **May 29, 2018**.

OJP encourages all applicants to read this [Important Notice: Applying for Grants in Grants.gov](#).

For additional information, see [How to Apply](#) in Section D. Application and Submission Information



Contact Information

- For technical assistance with applications, contact the Grants.gov Customer Support Hotline:
 - 800-518-4726, 606-545-5035, at <https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/support.html>, or at support@grants.gov.
 - The Grants.gov Support Hotline operates 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, except on federal holidays.
- For assistance with any unforeseen Grants.gov technical issues beyond an applicant's control
 - National Criminal Justice Reference Service (NCJRS) Response Center: toll-free at 800-851-3420; via TTY at 301-240-6310 (hearing impaired only); email grants@ncjrs.gov; fax to 301-240-5830; or web chat at <https://webcontact.ncjrs.gov/ncjchat/chat.jsp>.
 - The NCJRS Response Center hours of operation 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. eastern time, Monday through Friday, and 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. eastern time on the solicitation close date.



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Resources

- [Criminogenic Risk and Behavioral Health Needs Framework](#)
- [Collaborative Comprehensive Case Plans](#)
- [Police Mental Health Collaboration \(PMHC\) Toolkit](#)
- [Law Enforcement/Mental Health Learning Sites](#)
- [Criminal Justice/Mental Health Learning Sites](#)
- [Reducing the Number of People with Mental Illnesses in Jails: Six Questions County Leaders Need to Ask](#)



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