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# FY21 Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program (JMHCP) Category-Specific Orientation Webinar

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# Agenda

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- I. Welcome and Introductions
- II. Overview of Bureau of Justice Assistance, The Council of State Governments Justice Center, and Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program
- III. FY21 JMHCP Grantee Cohort
- IV. Technical Assistance (TA)
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- VI. Questions and Answers

# Speakers

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- Rachel Lindley, *Trial Court Administrator, Van Buren County Courts Circuit Court, FY19 JMHCP Van Buren County, MI*
- Jason Jackson, *Programs Coordinator, Pitt County Sheriff's Office, FY19 JMHCP County of Pitt, NC*
- Molly Plount, *Grant and Specialized Programs Administrator, Pitt County Sheriff's Office, FY19 JMHCP County of Pitt, NC*
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# JMHCP Technical Assistance (TA) Team

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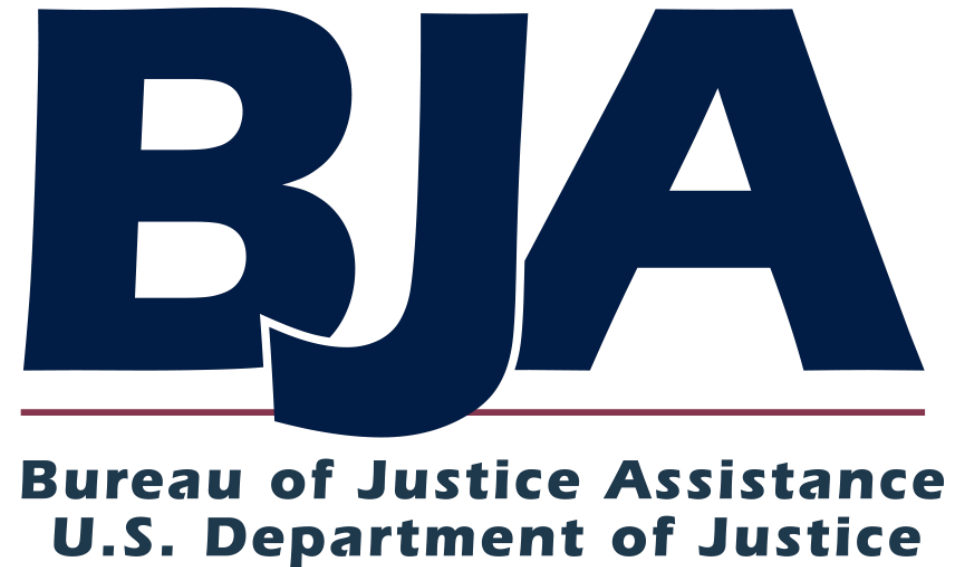
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# The U.S. Department of Justice Bureau of Justice Assistance

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BJA's mission is to provide leadership and services in grant administration and criminal justice policy development to support state, local, and tribal justice strategies to achieve safer communities. BJA works with communities, governments, and nonprofit organizations to reduce crime, recidivism, and unnecessary confinement, and promote a safe and fair criminal justice system.



# The Council of State Governments Justice Center

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We are a national nonprofit, nonpartisan organization that combines the power of a membership association, serving state officials in all three branches of government, with policy and research expertise to develop strategies that increase public safety and strengthen communities.

# How We Work

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- We bring people together
- We drive the criminal justice field forward with original research
- We build momentum for policy change
- We provide expert assistance



# Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program

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The Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program (JMHCPC) promotes innovative cross-system collaboration and provides grants directly to states, local governments, and federally recognized Indian tribes. It is designed to improve responses to people with mental illnesses and substance use disorders who are involved in the criminal justice system.

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# FY21 JMHCP Grantee Focus Areas

Grantee	Grant Focus	Intercept Point
Bexar County, TX	Expand pre-booking assessments/diversion; increase/add outpatient and jail-based competency restoration services	Pre- and Post-booking Diversion, Jail
City of Columbus, OH	Expand mental health court for people facing misdemeanor charges; hire coordinator, peer specialist	Mental Health Court
City of Philadelphia, PA	Plan/implement reentry program for people with serious mental illnesses/co-occurring disorders; embed BH navigators	Reentry
County of Douglas, GA	Implement a juvenile mental health court; hire case manager, peer specialist	Juvenile Mental Health Court
County of Durham, NC	Expand mental health court, other diversion; implement validated recidivism risk tool	Pretrial Diversion, Mental Health Court

# FY21 JMHCP Grantee Focus Areas

Grantee	Grant Focus	Intercept Point
County of Linn, MO	Establish co-occurring disorders court, trauma-informed care, mental health first aid training	Co-occurring Disorders Court (Focus on Young Adults)
County of Mecklenburg, NC	Expand staffing of recovery and wellness courts; develop crisis response and ACT teams, pre-booking track	Community Crisis Response, Pre- and Post-Booking Diversion, Recovery and Wellness Courts
County of Onondaga, NY	Hire director to implement outreach team for 9-1-1 crisis response for adults; train other local jurisdictions	9-1-1 Crisis Response, Pre- and Post-Booking
County of Pinellas, FL	Plan, implement, staff a mental health court; convene steering committee	Mental Health Court
County of Rockdale, GA: Rockdale County Sheriff's Office (RCSO)	Programming/reentry services enhancement; hire deputies, practitioners for jail mental health unit; cross-training	Jail, Reentry

# FY21 JMHCP Grantee Focus Areas

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County of Rockdale, GA: Rockdale County Superior Court	Increase community capacity for advocacy, wraparound services, hire coordinator and peer specialist	Pretrial Diversion
Douglas County, NE	Expand screening/assessment and treatment for detained youth; support positive youth development in the community	Detention Center/Reentry (Youth-focused)
Fifteenth Judicial District, LA	Expand pre-arrest diversion, reentry program; community mental health/wraparound services	Prearrest Diversion, Reentry
Hennepin County, MN	Behavioral Health and Wellness Clinic expansion project; equity; competency restoration services	Prearrest Diversion (LE Diversion Site)
The Judicial Council of California	Expand existing Solano County specialty court program; institute peer support program	Mental Health Court

# FY21 JMHCP Grantee Focus Areas

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Judiciary of the State of Rhode Island	Implement statewide mental health court; hire case manager; develop new partnerships for advocacy, peer support, wraparound services	Mental Health Court
My Health My Resources of Tarrant County, TX	Expand mental health bond docket; implement pretrial risk assessment instrument; hire case managers, bond officers	Pretrial Diversion (Mental Health Bond Docket)
Northwestern Community Services Board, VA	Plan/implement behavioral health docket; hire case manager; deliver mental health cultural competency training	Behavioral Health Docket
Region Ten Community Services Board, Inc, VA	Expand mental health court; hire coordinator, clinical case manager, systems navigator; cover services for non-Medicaid participants	Mental Health Court

# FY21 JMHCP Grantee Focus Areas

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Supreme Court of the State of Illinois	Fund selected local courts to develop/enhance their diversion practices for people with mental illness, co-occurring disorders	Pretrial Diversion, Specialty Court
Texas Department of Criminal Justice	Develop case coordination project to meet needs of veterans under parole supervision, hire supervisor, human service specialists	Parole
Tulsa County District Attorney, OK	Launch domestic violence diversion initiative; improve target population identification systems; hire case manager, prosecutor, detective	Pretrial Diversion
University of Alabama	Implement financial empowerment program in mental health court settings; use randomized controlled trial to determine impact on recidivism	Mental Health Court



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TA Coach

Peer Learning

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Access to Experts

Resources & Tools

# TA Connections

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# Planning & Implementation (P&I) Guide

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1. Goals
2. Collaborative Partnerships
3. Target Population
4. Evidence-Based Services and Supports
5. Data Collection, Performance Measurement, and Program Evaluation
6. Sustainability
7. Technical Assistance (TA) Plan

# Development of TA Plans

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- Each TA coach will work with the grantee to develop a training and technical assistance plan.
- This will lay out goals for TA that will be reviewed quarterly and updated every 6 months.
- The site will identify TA needs with the TA coach, and they will work toward meeting the TA goals.
- This is all focused on moving the grantee forward to meet their grant milestones.

# FY21 Communities of Practice (CoPs)

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1. Intercept 0
2. Intercept 1
3. Gender-Responsive Services for Women
4. Data and Information Sharing
5. Addressing the Needs of Rural Communities

# FY21 Communities of Practice (CoPs)

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- Four sessions/CoP
- Interactive
- Open to all active grantees
- *Strongly recommend* that grantees complete at least one complete CoP (i.e. all four sessions)
- Peer learning and networking opportunity
- Will partner with national subject matter experts

# 2022 JMHCP Grantee Convening

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- Virtual event to be held in July (date TBD)
- All FY20 and FY21 grantees to attend
- Topical plenary and break-out sessions
- Connection with peers and experts



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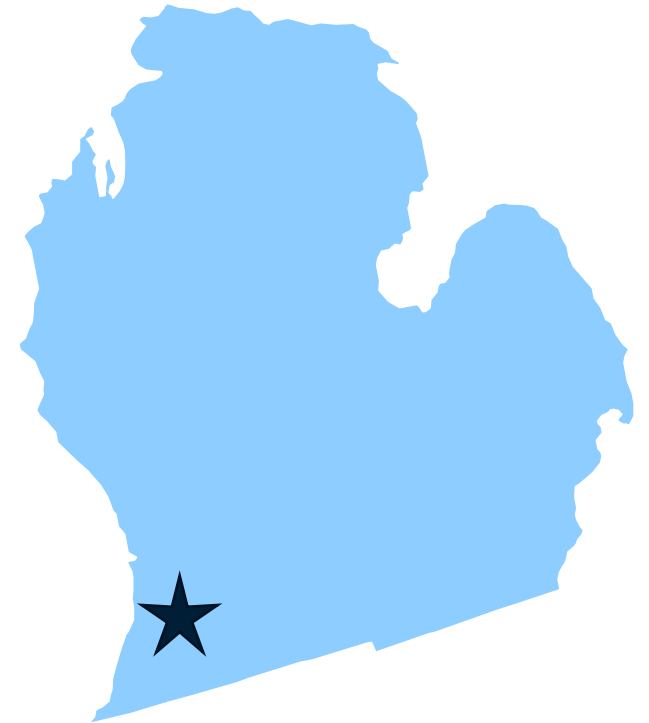
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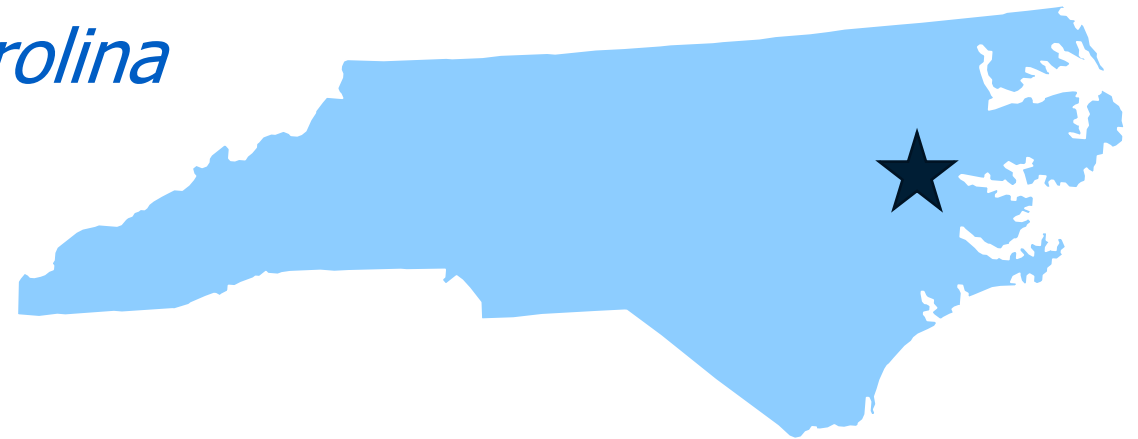
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