

Justice Center

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# Meet the New Criminal Justice-Mental Health Learning Sites

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### **The Council of State Governments Justice Center**

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**

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



### **Our Goals**

### **Break the cycle of incarceration**

High rates of recidivism increase taxpayer costs, diminish public safety, and tear apart families and communities. We work with partners inside and outside of government to reduce crime and incarceration among youth and adults in contact with the justice system.

### Advance health, opportunity, and equity

Efforts to make communities safer and healthier are hampered by insufficient behavioral health services, barriers to economic mobility, homelessness, lack of support for victims, and racial and gender inequity. We bring people from diverse systems and perspectives together to improve policy and practice related to these challenges.

### Use data to improve safety and justice

Data holds the power to help us understand and change justice systems for the better. And yet, states and counties still know far too little about how their systems perform. Our work transforms information into meaningful insights for policymakers.



### **Equity and Inclusion Statement**



The Council of State Governments Justice Center is committed to advancing racial equity internally and through our work with states, local communities, and Tribal Nations.



We support efforts to dismantle racial inequities within the criminal and juvenile justice systems by providing rigorous and high-quality research and analysis to decision-makers and helping stakeholders navigate the critical, and at times uncomfortable, issues the data reveal. Beyond empirical data, we rely on stakeholder engagement and other measures to advance equity, provide guidance and technical assistance, and improve outcomes across all touchpoints in the justice, behavioral health, crisis response, and reentry systems.



### Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program

The Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program (JMHCP) 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 health conditions and substance use disorders who are involved in the criminal justice system.



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# Welcome

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# **Overview of Learning Sites Project**

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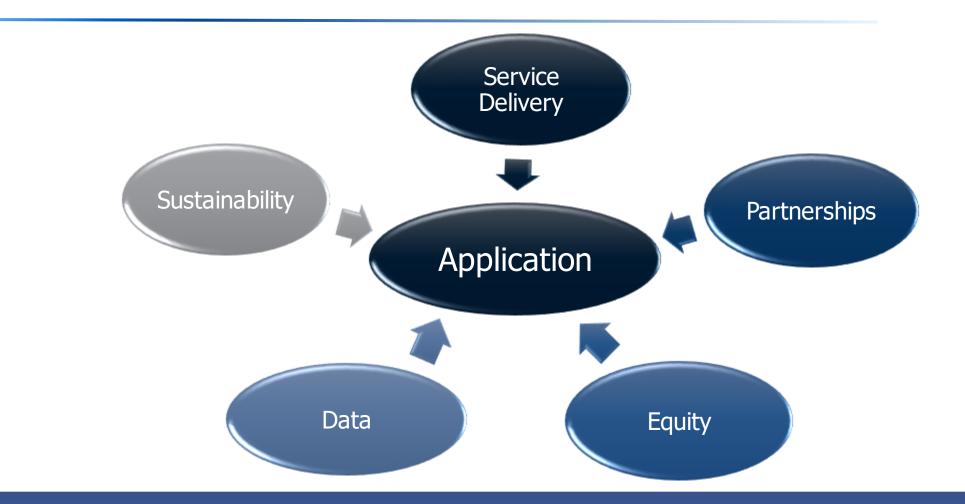


### **New Mental Health Learning Sites**

- Goal is to identify promising approaches and best practices from a variety of programs along the Sequential Intercept Model.
- The sites will provide peer to peer learning opportunities around program development, creation of policies and procedures, clinical best practices, funding options, etc.



## **Application and Recruitment Processes**





### **Site Selection**

### The Learning Sites bring diversity across:





### **Responsibilities of Learning Sites**





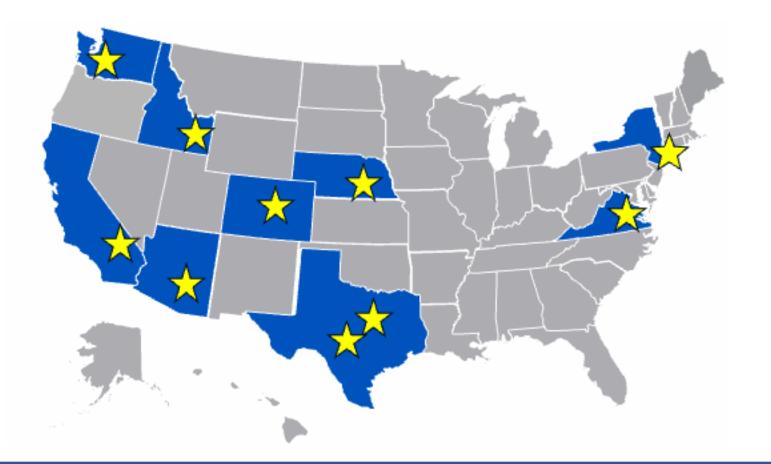


## **Selected Sites**



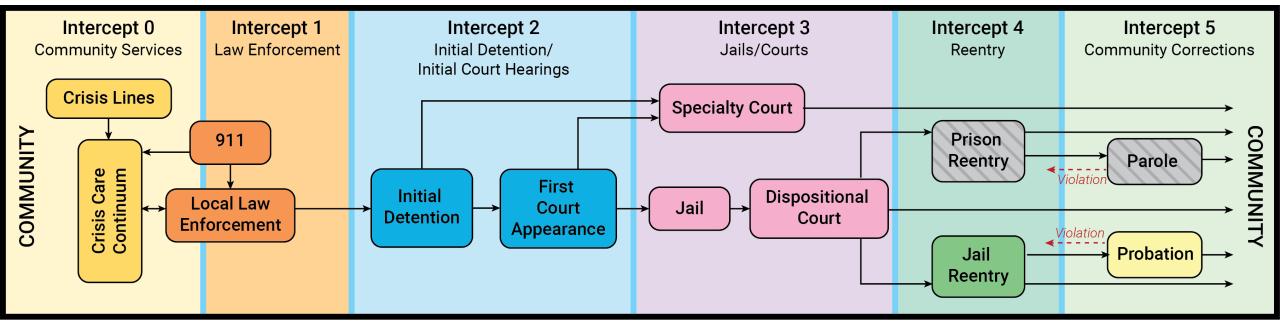
16 Criminal Justice-Mental Health Learning Sites

### **Criminal Justice-Mental Health Learning Sites**





### **Sequential Intercept Model**



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## **Selected Sites—Intercept 3 (Courts)**







Bronx, NY EAC Mental Health Court Downtown Austin, TX Community Court

Lancaster County Department of Community Corrections

Pinal County, AZ, Attorney's Office Adult Diversion Program



## Selected Sites—Intercept 3 (Jail and Prison)

Boulder County, CO, Community Justice Services–The Behavioral Health Assistance Program (BHAP)

Heart of Texas Behavioral Health Network Behavioral Justice Center Division The Family Attachment Intervention Through Healing Solutions (FAITHS) Throughcare Program (CA)

Washington Corrections Center for Women Mental Health Program



# Selected Sites—Intercept 5 (Specialized Probation and Parole)



The Virginia Department of Corrections Community Mental Health Program



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### **Downtown Austin Community Court**

Restorative justice, problem-solving, specialty court for people experiencing homelessness Services focus on case management, and intensive wraparound services focus on how to incorporate housing into diversion programming



### **Pinal County Attorney's Office Adult Diversion Program**

Court-based, prosecutorled diversion program that connects clients with services and resources based on a person's social determinants of health and criminogenic needs

Strong focus on community-based participatory research



### **Booneville, Idaho, Mental Health Court**

Rural mental health court for people with severe and persistent mental illness

Uses Assertive Community Treatment (ACT) model



### Washington Corrections Center for Women Mental Health Program

Prison-based mental health program for women Treatment prioritizes evidence-based, gender-responsive, trauma therapy



### The Virginia Department of Corrections Community Mental Health Program

Embeds mental health staff in probation and parole districts to facilitate continuity of care and increase the likelihood of successful reentry for people on supervision with mental health needs



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# **Requesting Support**



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# **Questions and Answers**



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