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Functional Family Therapy Provides Therapy and Supervision Services for First Year in SE Kansas

Editor's note – On Friday, Feb. 24, a ceremony and reception will be held in Pittsburg, KS to recognize Eckerd Kids for providing a year of service in Southeastern Kansas.

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DOCS–Juvenile Services Standards

Editor's note – The Department of Corrections - Juvenile Services is publishing a number of temporary rules and regulations concerning community-based graduated responses for technical violations of probation, violations of conditional release, and violations of a condition of sentence by juvenile offenders. The outcome of possible temporary rules and regulations is ongoing.

The Secretary of State has issued a public notice for a hearing on proposed permanent rules and regulations March 29-30, 2017, 2 PM, at KDOC in Topeka. The public hearing will be to consider adopting a proposed permanent rule and regulation concerning community-based graduated responses for technical violations of probation, violations of conditional release, and violations of a condition of sentence by juvenile offenders.

- Interested parties may submit written comments, prior to the hearing to KDOC Secretary Joe Norwood.
- Interested parties will be given an opportunity to present their views orally at the hearing. Speakers will be asked to limit any oral presentation to five minutes.

To view 123-17-101, click here.

For Secretary of State’s notice of hearing, click here.

Immediate Intervention Program Standards Available

KDOC-JS has released 44 new standards for the Immediate Intervention Program. The standards are divided into the five following chapters: administration; staff; documentation, reporting & records; and operations. The new standards can be accessed on the KDOC website at: this link.

These standards are the result of a joint working group involving Office of Judicial Administration and KDOC-JS.

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Editor's note – The House Corrections and Juvenile Justice Committee has heard several hearings concerning the juvenile justice reform legislation passed last session (SB 367). Several amendments have been proposed and any changes to current statute may be added to HB 2264. The committee has scheduled a hearing and final action for HB 2264 on Thursday, March 9, 1:30 PM, in room 152-S of the statehouse.

Juvenile Justice Reforms Move Forward With Repeal of the Table

Virginia Holt spent Thursday driving from her office in Johnson County to Geary County to set up a youth advocate program – part of an ambitious slate of juvenile justice reforms passed last year. As she drove back through Topeka, legislators on the House Corrections and Juvenile Justice Committee were having a roundtable discussion about how much better things have changed since last year’s bill. The general consensus: Holt and others like her should keep doing what they’re doing. Read more...

Children in Need of Care: Getting Juvenile Justice Reform Back on Track

A large-scale program aimed at diverting children from juvenile correctional facilities toward in-home services better suited to address their needs has faced delays, but officials say it’s nearly back on track. Read more...

Barry Grissom: A Better Path for Kansas Kids

Law enforcement’s No. 1 priority is always public safety. As the former U.S. Attorney for the District of Kansas, it was my job to spare no effort to ensure that those who threatened the safety of our communities were taken off our streets and put behind bars. But much has been learned during my tenure in law enforcement; effective criminal justice policies do not simply rely on locking everyone up, but rather targeting resources to punishing the most serious offenders. Read more...

Promise seen in new juvenile justice approach

February marks the first year of the implementation for a new approach to juvenile justice in Southeast Kansas, and state and local officials say it will now be expanded to address juvenile offenders statewide. Read more...

Getting “Smart” on Juvenile Justice: Implementing Statewide Reforms

Since 2014, six states have participated in the federal Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention’s (OJJDP) Smart on Juvenile Justice: A Comprehensive Strategy to Juvenile Justice Reform Initiative to reduce out-of-home placement for juveniles, increase community-based treatment, and improving outcomes for youth. The Crime and Justice Institute has worked with all six states – Georgia, Hawaii, Kentucky, South Dakota, Virginia, and Kansas – to implement legislative reforms and achieve those goals. To read report...
National News

Program Aims to End Criminal Careers Before They Start

Years before he became a district attorney, Suffolk District Attorney Don Conley spent just over a year prosecuting juveniles before that experience has stayed with him. “A lot of kids are scared to death when they walk in and that’s enough punishment,” Conley said last week. “You never see them again.” And then there are those whose engagement with the criminal justice system is only beginning. Read more . . .

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Juvenile Intake and Assessment System Standards Available

KDOC-JS is releasing 15 amended and four new JIAS standards along with two amended and six new JIAS forms. Many of the changes that are a part of the amended and new standards/forms are the result of statutory changes from the 2016 legislative session. A Standards Committee consisting of nine JIAS Directors and three KDOC-JS staff worked together to draft the proposed changes.

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The updated JIAS standards and forms are being placed on the KDOC website and can be accessed at this link . . .

Community Supervision Standards Available

KDOC-JS is releasing 19 amended and three new Community Supervision standards along with two new forms. Many of the changes that are a part of the amended and new standards/forms are the result of statutory changes from the 2016 legislative session. A Standards Committee consisting of 10 CSA staff and two KDOC-JS staff worked together to draft the proposed changes. A TAT call will be held later in March to provide guidance to local judicial districts on the standard changes.

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Juvenile Justice Information Exchange

New Poll Shows Widespread Support for Rehabilitation Over-Incarceration

A large majority of Americans say the juvenile justice system must place more emphasis on rehabilitating youthful offenders and focus less on punishment and prison, according to a survey released recently. The poll of 1,001 adults showed agreement across racial and political lines, with all demographics saying kids who commit crimes deserve a second chance, and that society is better off helping the teens than tossing them into prison. Read more . . .

Meet the ‘Monsters’: Documentary Looks at California Juvenile Debate

One’s kicking himself over an unequaliated lifelong crush. One dreams of being a Navy SEAL. Another leads you on a mocking tour of his new home. They’d seem like typical teenage boys — if they weren’t awaiting trial for violent crimes. Juan Gmez, Antonio Hernandez and Jared Nava are the youthful offenders at the heart of “They Call Us Monsters,” a new documentary that follows their lives in a Los Angeles juvenile detention center. They’re held in a Read more . . .

The Justice System Continues to Fail Black Boys

As we begin another Black History Month, it is time to celebrate the contributions and history of African Americans in this country. Along with the celebration of progress, it’s also a time to reflect on areas for improvement. How young black boys are treated in the criminal justice system is one of those areas. Read more . . .

How Our Roller-Coaster Juvenile Justice System Began

By Judge Steven Teske (Part 1 of 6)

Building a juvenile justice system that works is like a jigsaw puzzle, it takes time to put it together. Read more . . .

Juvenile Justice Reforms Went Backwards in the ‘90s

By Judge Steven Teske (Part 2 of 6)

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To achieve the task of ensuring all community supervision officers receive training in evidence-based programs and practices, Montgomery has been working with the Crime and Justice Institute (CJI) to develop a statewide master training plan comprised of three phases.

- Phase 1, the Regional Trainers and selected staff from Sedgwick and Johnson Counties, will attend training facilitated by CJI to learn specific program curriculum.
- Phase 2, the Regional Trainers will attend Train the Trainer sessions, where they will practice and perfect their skills for delivering the curriculum.
- Phase 3, the Regional Trainers will deliver the curriculum throughout the state ensuring all officers/staff are trained in specific programs and practices.

Training topics facilitated by CJI that include all three Phases are:

- Principles of Effective Intervention (PEI),
- Graduated Responses, and
- Case Management.

Training Topic | Phase 1 | Phase 2 | Phase 3
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PE | March 21-22 | May 15-19 | TBD
Graduated Responses | April 4 | May 2-4 | TBD
Case Management | Nov. 2017 | Dec. 2017 | TBD

As officers/staff complete their training and begin implementing what they have learned in specific programs, the regional trainers will conduct quality assurance/fitness site visits, to ensure those receiving programs and receiving them, they are intended. The regional trainers are teaming up with Risk, Reduction, and Re-Entry staff (from adult community correctional officers) to observe and learn techniques and instructing these site-visits, providing feedback and coaching effectively.

The ultimate goal of the training plan is to provide officers/staff the skills, tools and support they need to help achieve outcomes to reduce delinquent behavior. By focusing on learning curriculums that are evidenced-based and effective along with instructional techniques that provide for consistency and program fidelity, improving public safety while strengthening Kansas families becomes achievable.

For more information regarding a specific topic or to contact a regional trainer, contact Michelle Montgomery at Michelle.Montgomery@ks.gov or 785-296-1965.