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IDOC Juvenile Facility Receives National Award

Indianapolis, IN (October 11, 2011) – Indiana Department of Correction Commissioner Bruce Lemmon announced today that Camp Summit Boot Camp has been chosen by The Council of Juvenile Correctional Administrators (CJCA) to receive the 2011 Performance-based Standards (PbS) Barbara Allen-Hagen Award for extraordinary improvement to facility quality of life and operations as demonstrated through participation in the PbS program.

Camp Summit Superintendent Cecil Davis commented, “Many factors have contributed to our success with the PbS standards. Foremost, Camp Summit is blessed with many highly dedicated and professional staff that genuinely care about the juveniles we work with.” “The PbS program provides leadership and cutting edge best practices to participating agencies, guiding how best to improve the lives and opportunities for success of the youths that we serve. And for that I salute all the folks responsible for PbS,” added Davis.

Commissioner Lemmon praised Superintendent Davis and his staff on winning this exemplary award, “This is a great honor and accomplishment for Camp Summit in such a short time as a PbS participant. Our youth services staff are dedicated to providing the best treatment and services to the youth in our care in the hopes of making a positive impact on their future and making them better citizens.”

The award ceremony will take place at the 2011 National Conference for the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevent (OJJDP) on October 12, 2011 in National Harbor, Maryland.

About the PbS Barbara Allen-Hagen Award

Named after the program’s founding federal champion Barbara Allen-Hagen, the award is given annually to one correction, one detention and one assessment facility that best exemplify Performance-based Standards underlying principles that facilities should be safe places for youths that provide effective programming and are operated as if the next youth admitted was one of their own.

Ms. Allen-Hagen served as the PbS project monitor at the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP), Office of Justice Programs, US Department of Justice from 1995 when the project was launched until her retirement May 2006. She was instrumental in obtaining federal support for PbS and was a continuous voice advocating on behalf of youths in the juvenile justice system.

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