



Court Alcohol and Drug Program Advisory Committee

Conference Call Minutes
February 12, 2016

I. Judge Diekhoff called the meeting to order at 1:10 pm. Members participating in the call were Judge Diekhoff, Chair, Judge Coriden, Ms. Gharst, Judge Persin, and Mag. Straus. IJC staff present were Jamie Bergacs, Diane Haver, Mary Kay Hudson, Chad Long, and Diane Mains.

II. Members approved the August 14, 2015, meeting minutes as submitted.

III. Certification Report

Ms. Bergacs reported that IJC conducted five certification reviews since the last committee meeting. The following counties received certifications: Vanderburgh, Dearborn, Putnam, Gibson, and Washington. Staff are currently conducting a site visit in Cass County.

IV. Education Subcommittee Report

Mr. Long reported that the following trainings were held since the last Committee meeting:

- New Staff Orientation was held on August 26-27, 2015 attended by 16 people.
- Assessment and Interviewing training was held on August 28, 2015, attended by 15 people.
- The Annual Conference was held October 1-2, 2015, attended by over 300 people.
- Criminal Justice training was held October 27-28, 2015, attended by 6 people.
- Substance Abuse Characteristics training was held December 8-9, 2015, attended by 23 people.
- New Director Orientation was held on February 10, 2016, attended by 5 people.

Mr. Long reported the following future trainings:

- Staff Orientation will be held on March 30-31, 2016, with 23 people currently registered.
- Assessment and Interviewing training will be held on April 1, 2016, with 21 people are currently registered.
- Criminal Justice training will be held April 6-7, 2016.

- Substance Abuse Characteristics training will tentatively be held May 17-18, 2016.
- Work on the 2016 Annual Conference is underway.

Ms. Hudson reported that in partnership with the Attorney General's Office, training on the administration of Naloxone will be available to court staff. The first training will be offered in conjunction with the Probation Officer Annual Meeting and that an additional training will likely be offered in conjunction with the fall Annual Meeting for court administered drug and alcohol programs and problem-solving courts.

V. 2016 Legislative Session Update

Ms. Mains reported that the second half of the legislative session is underway and summarized various bill of interest to the Committee. There are four bill on the regulation of the Methamphetamine and Ephedrine. [SB 80, SB 161, HB 1157, and HB 1390]

Several bills establish drug related crimes or increase penalties associated with drug related crimes. [SB 174, SB 290, HB 1211, and HB 1235]

Two bills discuss treatment services and Medicaid coverage. [SB 214 and SB 297]

Other bills of interest:

- SB 132 on eligibility for food stamp assistance after a drug conviction
- SB 271 on the creation of the Indiana Commission to Combat Drug Abuse (ICCD) while repealing the Commission for a Drug Free Indiana
- HB 1102 on DOC and DMHA grants to local jurisdictions for mental health and forensic treatment services
- HB 1130 on ignition interlock

VI. Other Business

Ms. Hudson reported that the Justice Reinvestment Act Council will meet next week and will discuss with DOC priorities for the new \$20m grant dollars. DMHA is expected to report on the Recovery Works providers across the State.

IJC has hired two new staff members to work in Court Services. Chris Biehn from the Howard County Probation Department will join the certification team, and Matt Guyer from the Indiana Department of Correction will join the education team.

The next meeting will be held on Friday, May 13, 2016, beginning at 1:00 p.m.

VII. Judge Diekhoff adjourned the meeting at 1:35 p.m.