

Justice Reinvestment Advisory Council
Meeting Minutes
December 20, 2018

The Justice Reinvestment Advisory Council met at the Capital Center at 201 N. Illinois Street in Indianapolis, Indiana on December 20, 2018. The Advisory Council met 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

- 1. Members present.** The following members of the Justice Reinvestment Advisory Council were present: Kevin Moore, Director of the Division of Mental Health and Addiction; Julie Lanham, proxy for the Commissioner of the Indiana Department of Correction; Bernice Corley, Executive Director of the Indiana Public Defender Council; Devon McDonald, Executive Director of the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute; Adam McQueen, President of the Probation Officers Professional Association of Indiana; Ralph Watson, President of the Indiana Association of Community Corrections Act Counties; Steve Luce, proxy for the President of the Indiana Sheriffs Association; and Justin Forkner, Chief Administrative Officer of the Indiana Supreme Court and Advisory Council Chair.
- 2. Guests present.** The following guests also attended the meeting: Kristen Banschbach, Liz Darlage, Angie Estes, and Melody Turner from the Indiana Department of Correction; Troy Hatfield, CJ Miller, and Sarah Lochner from the Probation Officers Professional Association of Indiana; Angie Boarman from the Division of Mental Health and Addiction; Steven Creason from the Office of the Attorney General; Lisa Thompson and Dave Williams from Trial Court Technology; and Seth Hinshaw and Jacob Trokell from the Indiana Senate.
- 3. Staff assistance.** Jennifer Bauer, Mary Kay Hudson, and Michelle Goodman provided staff assistance to the Advisory Council.
- 4. Approval of minutes.** The minutes from the October 25, 2018 meeting were unanimously approved.
- 5. Legislation and funding discussion.** Mary Kay Hudson reported that criminal justice funding was discussed at the August and October JRAC meetings. She further reported that Rep. Greg Steuerwald contacted her to request a formal letter from JRAC making specific criminal justice funding recommendations to the general assembly. The JRAC members discussed the difficulty in defining the financial need and decided on conservative estimates for the Department of Correction and the Division of Mental Health and Addiction. The estimate for DOC is \$13 million, which is made up of \$10M in requested overage and \$3M in leftover funds. The estimate for DMHA's Recovery Works program is \$15M, which is made up of \$10M in shortfall for felony offenders in FY19 and \$5M for

the authorized misdemeanor pilot program. Justin Forkner stated that he can prepare the requested letter as chair of JRAC. Bernice Corley made a motion to use the estimated funding amounts for DOC and DMHA in a recommendation letter for the general assembly. The motion was seconded by Adam McQueen and approved unanimously, with DOC and DMHA members abstaining from the vote.

Michelle Goodman reported that the legislative workgroup met on November 30th to discuss possible legislation related to Level 6 offenders going to DOC. The group reviewed data on the impact of revisions to current one-year time-frame. The group also discussed violent offenders and repeat felons. Rep. Steuerwald sent his proposed legislation to the group, which will add violent offenders and repeat offenders as new categories of Level 6 offenders who can be sent to DOC.

6. **DOC update.** Kristen Banschbach distributed a handout with details on DOC grant funding for community corrections and data analysis of funded programs. The handout also detailed DOC's proposal for systematic performance measurement. Ms. Banschbach noted that the performance measurement proposal is modeled after the Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services. The JRAC members discussed data collection and working with the Evidence Based Decision Making State Team to create a structure to collect and analyze data.
7. **DMHA update.** Angie Boarman announced that Recovery Works celebrated three years in November. She distributed the monthly summary of Recovery Works by the numbers and reported that total enrollment in Recovery works is at 37,800 participants, with 60% still receiving services. She also reported that 6,739 participants were enrolled in FY19 at the end of November and \$11.4M had expended for services. The total expenditures since program inception are \$53.4 M. The top five services for FY19 are recovery residence, individual skills training, group skills training, individual mental health treatment, and group substance use disorder counseling. The top five referring counties are: Marion, Vanderburgh, Allen, Vigo, and Elkhart. Rate changes and service caps were announced to providers and become effective January 1st. Ms. Boarman also announced that she is leaving her position with DMHA on December 31st. Kevin Moore asked for feedback on the changes to Recovery Works and noted that connecting offenders to HIP will be very important. Mr. Moore reported that DMHA received Opioid Response Grant funding and is working with jails to provide medically assisted treatment. Mr. Moore further reported that DMHA was contacted by the Pew-MacArthur Results First Initiative regarding implementation strategies for jail-based treatment and MAT. The kick-off meeting is in early 2019 and might be interested in feedback from JRAC. Mr. Moore also announced that DMHA is working with courts to provide training and

technical assistance on the sequential intercept model as a follow-up to the state opioid summit.

8. **ICJI/JRAC report.** Devon McDonald reported that 2018 is the first year for the combined annual report for JRAC and the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute. The report was submitted on December 1st and is posted on the Indiana General Assembly's website. Mr. McDonald thanked Mary Kay Hudson, Jenny Bauer, Michelle Goodman, Lisa Thompson, and Dave Williams for their assistance with the report. He stated that there were no surprises in the report, with jails overcrowded with pretrial offenders, workforce development, and MAT being top issues. Mr. McDonald welcomes feedback and ideas to improve the 2019 report.

Respectfully submitted,

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