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## New Publications Available To Support Juvenile Reentry



The National Reentry Resource Center, a project of the Council of State Governments (CSG) Justice Center, has released two publications to help state and local governments reduce recidivism and improve outcomes for youth in juvenile justice settings. These two publications are produced with the support of OJJDP and the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation:

- “Measuring and Using Juvenile Recidivism Data to Inform Policy, Practice, and Resource Allocation” highlights the findings of a survey of juvenile correctional agencies in all 50 states, providing 5 recommendations for state and local policymakers to improve their measurement, analysis, collection, reporting, and use of recidivism data on system-involved youth.
- “Core Principles for Reducing Recidivism and Improving Other Outcomes for Youth in the Juvenile Justice System” offers policy and practice recommendations to support successful reentry for system-involved youth and help these youth successfully transition to a crime-free, productive adulthood.

Visit: <http://csgjusticecenter.org/youth/juvenile-justice-project/>

## Seeking Site Host for Adult and Juvenile Female Offenders Conference

The Association of Programs for Female Offenders (APFO) is seeking a site host for the 2015 National Workshops on Adult and Juvenile Female Offenders. This forum, occurring every two years, provides sessions and workshops on issues involving incarcerated females, and offers attendees an opportunity to meet and share information and concerns regarding the needs, management, and treatment of adult and juvenile females involved with the justice system. More information to follow with site update. To learn more about the conference visit: <http://www.apfonews.org/>

## Reducing Recidivism: States Deliver Results

In *Reducing Recidivism: States Deliver Results*, the National Reentry Resource Center (NRRCC) highlights eight states that have achieved reductions in statewide recidivism in recent years: Colorado, Connecticut, Georgia, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, and Wisconsin. The report focuses on statewide recidivism data for adults released in 2007 and 2010 with a three-year follow-up period, offering a current snapshot of criminal justice outcomes in these states. The report also features examples of recidivism-reduction strategies and programs that the states have undertaken in this timeframe, as well as additional data on the state’s criminal justice populations through 2013. This report follows a 2012 National Reentry Resource Center report featuring seven additional states that had lowered recidivism since 2005. Highlighting an interesting cross-section of states representing different regions of the nation, sizes in prison populations, and correctional systems, the two reports demonstrate it is possible for states to achieve significant reductions in statewide recidivism through system-level change. Visit: [http://csgjusticecenter.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/06/ReducingRecidivism\\_StatesDeliverResults.pdf](http://csgjusticecenter.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/06/ReducingRecidivism_StatesDeliverResults.pdf)

## OJJDP and NIJ Release New Bulletin in Justice Research Series



OJJDP and the National Institute of Justice (NIJ) have jointly released “Changing Lives: Prevention and Intervention to Reduce Serious Offending,” part of the Justice Research series. This bulletin reviews effective programs that mitigate risk factors for delinquency and crime among juveniles and young adults to prevent future serious criminal behavior. These programs are grouped by family, school, peers and community, individual, and employment. This bulletin summarizes the final report from the NIJ Study Group on the Transitions From Juvenile Delinquency and Adult Crime. Visit: <https://ncjrs.gov/pdffiles1/nij/243993.pdf>

## OJJDP Bulletin Provides Overview of Juveniles in Residential Placement

OJJDP has released “Juveniles in Residential Placement, 2011.” The bulletin presents information from the 2011 Census of Juveniles in Residential Placement, conducted by the U.S. Census Bureau and sponsored by OJJDP. Findings from this biennial survey of public and private juvenile residential facilities offer a detailed picture of the young people in residential placement in the United States. The data indicate that while the population of juvenile offenders in residential placement has declined 42 percent since 1997, the residential placement rate for black youth was more than 4.5 times the rate for white youth, and the rate for Hispanic youth was 1.8 times the rate for white youth. Visit: <http://www.ojjdp.gov/pubs/246826.pdf>

## Recidivism Reduction Checklists

The recidivism reduction checklists are a user-friendly, source of information on the many policies and practices that go into a comprehensive, effective reentry initiative. There are three checklists, each tailored to a specific audience:

Executive and Legislative Policymakers  
State Corrections Administrators  
State Reentry Coordinators

These checklists can help familiarize state leaders with key issues related to recidivism reduction, and help enhanced communication and coordination. Visit: <http://csgjusticecenter.org/reentry/reentry-checklists/>

## Webinar To Discuss Desktop Resource for Youth in Confinement Practitioners



On August 27, 2014, at 2 p.m. ET, the OJJDP-sponsored National Center for Youth in Custody will present “The Desktop Guide to Quality Practice for Working with Youth in Confinement Facilities.” This 90-minute Webinar will discuss a resource guide for computers and mobile reading devices to help facility leadership and staff meet the needs of youth in custody. Presenters will explain the guide’s content, how to navigate its Web site, and ways to use it as a training and education tool. Visit: <http://npjs.org/ncyc/events/event/webinar-desktop-guide-to-quality-practice-for-working-with-youth-in-confinement/>



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