



Coordinating Council on Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Meeting

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Top 5 Priorities: Federal Coordinating Council on Juvenile Justice

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Adoption of OJDP Continuum of Care



Top 5 Priorities of the Coordinating Council

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1. [Re]direct funds and concentrate efforts towards **community-based programs** and services that address the **root causes of delinquency**, (such as poverty, absence of community development, poor health, lack of education, workforce disengagement, mental health, and substance use issues). (*prevention*)
2. Promote and ensure funding, training, and implementation support for community-based, **culturally and developmentally-informed trauma informed and healing centered services** for youth and families. These programs need to be effective, affordable, and accessible. (*-Med Intervention*)

Top 5 (continued):

3. Inform and support access to **mental health and substance use** programs for justice involved youth to prevent/reduce out of home placements. These programs need to be comprehensive, community-based, and culturally responsive. (e.g., family counseling, peer to peer supports, educational stabilization, mental health and substance use, arts and healing centered). *(Med-High intervention)*

4. Provide financial incentives/rewards to communities that successfully **keep children and youth out of detention/commitment** and with their families. (Med-High Intervention)

5. Improve access to **post-secondary education and career training** for youth exiting the justice system. (Re-integration)

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Common Values

- Trauma-informed.
 - Healing focused.
 - Culturally responsive.
 - Addressing the entire continuum, because all parts of the continuum are important.
 - Engaging meaningfully with those with lived experiences.
 - Being community-based or community-led.
 - Not creating additional federal silos.
 - Reducing administrative burden.
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Suggested Year 1 Council Activities

- (1). As a Council, support a five-part webinar on each of the five recommendations that highlights different agency's current work in each of the priority areas.
- (2). Demonstrate how the Community of Care looks across federal agencies by identifying current investments in each "piece of the pie."
- (3). Look at developing a short series of "Barriers and Opportunities" or one pagers that highlight progress that federal agencies have made under each priority area (e.g. HUD lifting barriers to housing by removing criminal charges from exclusion). This could be an update from the Mythbusters that were created under the Re-entry Working Group.
- (4). Each agency request FY 26 funds that support a priority in the Coordinating Council workplan.



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