

Workshops

Monday, February 9, 2009
1:45 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.

Transition from Prison & Jail to the Community: NIC's Models, Experience and Assistance

NIC has been assisting agencies with policy driven transition of offenders to the community since 2002. The earliest initiative, Transition from Prison to the Community (TPC), continues to provide assistance to eight states. Transition from Jail to the Community (TJC) is assisting jails and local communities and is pilot testing the model in the first two jurisdictions. A key concept in both settings is that "re-entry preparation/assistance" should begin at the time of admission to custody and continue until after formal supervision in the community expires. A second key concept requires collaboration between corrections and non-criminal justice partners. In this workshop the NIC transition project manager will be joined by the project managers from both TPC and TJC to discuss more details regarding this program.

Training/Learning Objectives

- Review the purposes, strategies and components of the TPC and TJC programs.
- Discuss lessons learned about effective implementation of these initiatives could impact work in participants' jurisdictions.
- Describe current and future TPC/TJC resources available to the corrections public.

Presenters

Kermit Humphries, Program Specialist, National Institute of Corrections (DC)

Peggy Burke, Principal, Center for Effective Public Policy (MD)

Amy Solomon, Senior Research Associate, The Urban Institute (DC)

Probation as a Public Safety Service: Perspectives from Outside North America

This presentation will discuss the growth and development of probation as a public safety service in Kenya, Puerto Rico, Germany, Eastern Europe and the Caribbean. Issues and crime trends of these counties will be explored, along with attempted solutions. Workshop presenters will relate their experiences to the state of probation in the United States. This workshop is presented by the APPA's International Committee.

Training/Learning Objectives

- Discuss the growth and development of probation in other countries.
- Recognize the issues and trends in these countries and their relevancy to probation in the United States.
- Describe how we as an association might have better information sharing between probation in other countries.

Presenters

Donald G. Evans, Chair, International Committee, President, the Training Institute (CN)

Linda Jones, Program Specialist, Madison County Community Corrections (TN)

Sherla M. Hendricks, Case Officer Probation and Parole, Madison County Community Corrections (TN)

Bob Anderson, Chief, Madison County Community Corrections (TN)

Carmen Rodriguez, Senior Training Specialist, Cook County Adult Probation Department (IL)



Beyond Detention: How JDAI Stimulates and Supports Broad System Reforms

Officials in some sites wonder why they should pursue JDAI if their jurisdiction is not facing detention-related problems. In other places, JDAI is viewed as just another interesting project in systems filled with multiple grants and programs to test. These perspectives seriously underestimate the transformative potential of detention reform. In this workshop, representatives from three of the initiative's oldest sites will describe how JDAI has served as a platform to stimulate and/or support far reaching changes in their systems' policies, operations and results.

Training/Learning Objectives

- Describe how JDAI stimulates and supports far-reaching changes in policies, operations and results.
- Discuss your understanding of detention reform
- Review how to implement the JDAI within your jurisdiction

Presenters

Bart Lubow, Director, Programs for High Risk Youth, Annie E. Casey Foundation (MD)

Judy Cox, Chief Probation Officer, Santa Cruz County Probation Department (CA)

Joanne Fuller, Director, Multnomah County Department of Human Services (OR)

Michael Rohan, Director, Cook County Juvenile Probation & Court Services (IL)



NIEM: Enabling Nationwide Information Interoperability and Sharing

The National Information Exchange Model Program, a partnership between the Departments of Justice and Homeland Security, is enabling nationwide information interoperability and sharing at the local, state, tribal and federal levels. This NIEM workshop provides an overview of NIEM and NIEM adoption and use including applications supporting law enforcement, courts, corrections, probation and parole.

Training/Learning Objectives

- Recognize the importance nationwide information sharing imperatives, mandates and critical requirements.
- Discuss the NIEM framework, processes, standards, tools and support infrastructure.
- Describe NIEM's role in enabling nationwide cross-jurisdictional information sharing.
- Understand NIEM's multi-domain adoption and its use including probation and parole applications.

Presenters

Sharad Rao, President, Tetrus Consulting Group, LLC (NJ)

Thomas J. O'Reilly, Senior Policy Advisor, Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs (DC)



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I Don't Like It . . . But I Have to Work with You

This workshop has been designed for the purpose of developing better interpersonal and self-awareness skills when dealing with difficult personality types in the workplace. The workshop covers some of the ways to behave in a positive manner, address our own problematical patterns and develop the use of SELF as a means to work with these situations more professionally.

Training/Learning Objectives

- Identify different personality types.
- Describe skills needed to address different personality types.
- List ten tips for better communication at work.

Presenter

Cheryl Bristor, Personal Support Specialist/Trainer (IL)



Domestic Violence in Diverse Communities: Incorporating Cultural Competency in the Supervision of Intimate Partner Abusers

Supervising domestic violence offenders and supporting the safety of their victims can be a challenging task for community corrections professionals, and this challenge can become increasingly complex when working with individuals from diverse cultures. Domestic violence crosses all cultural boundaries and it is critical for community corrections professionals to develop cultural competencies when supervising intimate partner abusers. This workshop will explore the dynamics of domestic violence among various cultural groups.

Training/Learning Objectives

- Discuss the importance of culture in our society and the ways in which culture shapes social behaviors, including domestic violence.
- Recognize the dynamics of domestic violence among a variety of cultural groups.
- Describe the importance of developing collaborations between community corrections professionals, domestic violence advocates and community leaders to more effectively address intimate partner abuse.

Presenter

Carrie Abner, Research Associate, American Probation & Parole Association (KY)



How to Avoid an Explosion in the Paint Locker, Geographic Case Assignment

In South Carolina, a project has been implemented that could result in a 50 percent savings in travel time and travel cost. With technology and single agent supervision zones based on travel arteries, offenders and contact requirements have been identified. Based on three years of data, the department is reasonably sure that the zones are stable and will require little modification in the future.

Training/Learning Objectives

- Describe the common errors used in current case assignment practices.
- Discuss how the use of smaller geographic areas can increase agent and community safety and increase knowledge of resources needed to manage offenders successfully.
- Recognize the role of technology in this project and how it enables management to maximize its resources.

Presenters

Jeff Harmon, Agent-In-Charge, Spartanburg County, Dept. of Probation, Parole & Pardon Services (SC)

Tony Dukes, Research Director, Office of Executive Programs, Dept. of Probation, Parole & Pardon Services (SC)

Jonathan Fisk, Solutions Engineer, ESRI (SC)



Workshop Key



APPA Initiative



Collaboration



Diversity

EBP

Evidence Based Practices



Federal



Gender Issues



Health and Safety



International



Juvenile Justice



Leadership



Line Staff



Local



Mental Health



Prevention



Programs



Reentry



Research



Supervision



Technology



Treatment



Victim's Issues



Women's Issues



Workforce Development