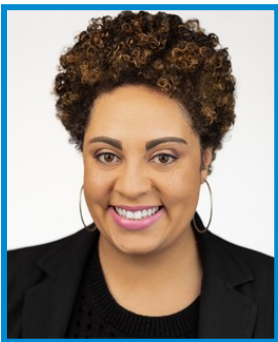




LUNCHEON PLENARY SPEAKER ANNOUNCED FOR THE 2022 JAMES E. ANDERSON PENNSYLVANIA CONFERENCE ON JUVENILE JUSTICE



Dr. Meagan Corrado is the owner and founder of Storiez Trauma Narratives. She is also an Assistant Professor at West Chester University and has instructed graduate-level social work students at Bryn Mawr College and the University of Pennsylvania.

In her work at Storiez Trauma Narratives, Dr. Corrado specializes in supporting children, teenagers, and families who have experienced difficult life experiences. She takes a creative approach to her work, incorporating elements of art, music, poetry, and play therapy in her clinical practice.

Dr. Corrado has authored 10 books and trained over 7,000 clinicians, community leaders, and trauma survivors across 22 innovative training programs. Meagan's interest in helping others process difficult life experiences began at a very early age when she helped family members and friends process feelings about significant life stressors. Storiez stems from her own personal experiences with trauma, as well as her clinical work with children, adolescents, and families.

Dr. Corrado has also supported systems in implementing trauma-informed practices. She has worked collaboratively with the City of Philadelphia's Office of Homeless Services, the Philadelphia Police Department, Philadelphia's Department of Human Services, and the American Institutes for Research. She has completed training in a variety of modalities, including Childhood Sexual Abuse Treatment, Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (CBT), CBT, Prolonged Exposure Therapy, and Narrative Exposure Therapy. Her experience includes clinical work in a variety of settings, including community mental health agencies, residential treatment facilities, schools, and homes.

Dr. Corrado holds a Master of Social Services from Bryn Mawr College and a Doctorate of Social Work from the University of Pennsylvania.

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CHIEF STEVE BARNETT, FOREST COUNTY IN MEMORIAM

*The photo and parts of this article are from the obituary provided and written by his son, Steven Barnett.
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Steven T. Barnett, age 54, of East Hickory, PA, passed away unexpectedly on Monday evening, September 12, 2022. He began his earthly journey on February 5, 1968, in Oil City, PA, son of the late Frank A. and Margaret A. (Roberts) Barnett. Steve attended Edinboro University and graduated with a degree in criminal justice. On September 18, 1993, he married his soulmate, Ann (Caldwell) Barnett, at the Endeavor Presbyterian Church. They later had two children, Marissa and Steven Barnett. Steve is survived by his wife Ann and his children.

Steve was a proud lifelong resident of East Hickory in Forest County and was a well-known pillar in the community as evidenced by the outpouring of admiration, love, and remembrance at his memorial service. He began working for Forest County in 1989 and had been employed nearly 33 years working as the Chief Probation Officer as well as a Deputy Sheriff. The 37th Judicial District also includes Warren County and its juvenile probation staff who were fortunate to work with Steve, including during their joint trainings when his experience, knowledge, and contributions were invaluable, and his stories were entertaining. Both county offices will miss his companionship during these trainings.

He was very gratified by serving the public in these jobs as well as his unequivocal community service to the local area. Steve also loved owning and operating Franks Auto and Sons, Inc. in downtown East Hickory. He was a long-standing elder and member at the Endeavor Presbyterian Church. Steve had many interests and hobbies including fishing with his son, hunting, trapping, flea marketing, researching local Native American history, and driving tow trucks. Steve also had a deep love for his right-hand companion, Sadie, his German Shepherd.

Steve will be greatly missed and fondly remembered by his many friends and colleagues, all of whom he personally and professionally impacted by his presence in their lives.

GOVERNOR WOLF PROCLAIMS JUVENILE JUSTICE WEEK OCTOBER 2 - 8, 2022

Governor Tom Wolf proclaimed the week of October 2 – October 8, 2022 as Juvenile Justice Week in Pennsylvania. Juvenile probation departments across the Commonwealth are encouraged to utilize Juvenile Justice Week as an opportunity to engage the public about the mission and outcomes of Pennsylvania’s juvenile justice system.

The proclamation notes that Pennsylvania’s juvenile justice system is charged with “providing programs of supervision, care, and rehabilitation which provide balanced attention to the protection of our communities, the imposition of accountability for offense committed by juveniles, and the development of competencies to enable children who come within the jurisdiction of the juvenile justice system to become responsible and productive members of their communities.”

We encourage chief juvenile probation officers to send media accounts of local Juvenile Justice Week activities to ra-oajcnews@pa.gov for publication in a special section celebrating Pennsylvania Juvenile Justice week. Please have all entries submitted by October 21, 2022.



COUNTY SPOTLIGHT

WELCOME CHIEF COLIN DEVANNEY SNYDER COUNTY JUVENILE PROBATION



On July 21, 2022, Colin Devanney was appointed as Chief Probation Officer in Snyder County by the Honorable Michael H. Sholley, President Judge. Mr. Devanney fulfills this role for both the adult and juvenile probation departments.

Mr. Devanney worked as a counselor/treatment supervisor at Abraxas Youth and Family Services from 2005-2008, followed by employment at a Target Distribution Center in Chambersburg, PA as an Operations Manager/Assets Protection Manager from 2008-2012. While employed at Target, he participated in Leadership Development Training and Seminars to further his managerial skills. In 2012, Mr. Devanney began his employment in Snyder County as a Juvenile Probation Officer. He transitioned to the role of adult probation officer in 2014 and received a promotion to Deputy Chief Probation Officer in 2017.

Mr. Devanney graduated from Lycoming College in 2005 with a Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice.

When away from the office, Mr. Devanney enjoys mountain rides in his Jeep, spending time at his cabin in Sullivan County, attending wrestling matches at Penn State University, and anything outdoors with his wife and daughter.

PCCD FUNDING ANNOUNCEMENT



The Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency (PCCD) announces the availability of \$350,000 of state Violence and Delinquency Prevention Programs (VDPP) Funds.

Funding is available for eligible applicants to support up to four organizations for a [Youth Justice Advisory Board Council \(YJAB-C\) Pilot Initiative](#). The purpose of this funding is to establish and coordinate county-based Youth Justice Advisory Board Councils (YJAB-Cs) across the Commonwealth.

The Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Committee (JJJPC), in collaboration with system partners, want to ensure youth voice is included in our efforts to continue to improve the Juvenile Justice System. PCCD believes that by involving young people as agents of positive change in their communities, the YJAB-C will foster the next generation of leaders across the Commonwealth and lead efforts for juvenile justice systemic change. Through their experience as youth leaders in this advisory capacity, young people can develop principles of service, community engagement, and build the skills and relationships they need to become future community leaders for the next generation.

Applications are due in PCCD's [Egrants System](#) by Wednesday, October 19, 2022. These twelve-month awards will be presented at the December 14, 2022 Commission meeting, and approved projects will begin on January 1, 2023. For full application requirements, applicants are encouraged to read the narrative funding announcement and use it as a guide to complete their applications in the Egrants System.

Juvenile Court Judges' Commission Position Announcement

Juvenile Court Consultant

The Juvenile Court Judges' Commission (JCJC) is seeking applicants for **three Juvenile Court Consultant** positions.

Position Description:

This position evaluates and provides ongoing technical assistance and support to juvenile court judges and juvenile probation departments regarding programs, organizational procedures and operations to ensure compliance with JCJC standards and JCJC endorsed best practices designed to improve juvenile court and juvenile probation services. This position also represents the Juvenile Court Judges' Commission on various workgroups and committees responsible for examining juvenile court policy and programs. Work is completed with considerable independence and travel. If you have experience and wish to explore a rewarding career with a nationally recognized leader in juvenile justice, the Pennsylvania Juvenile Court Judges' Commission wants to hear from you!

These positions will work remotely.

Qualifications:

Applicants must possess five years of experience as a juvenile probation officer and a master's degree in criminal justice, criminology, or the behavioral sciences.

- These are Civil Service Permanent Full-Time Positions -
The examination announcement for this position is available at:
<https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/pabureau/jobs/3706230/juvenile-court-consultant?keywords=juvenile%20justice&pagetype=jobOpportunitiesJobs>

PLEASE NOTE: All applicants are responsible for adhering to the application and posting requirements as described in the job posting to be eligible for consideration. Failure to exactly follow these requirements will eliminate a candidate from consideration. All questions on the application must be fully answered. No question should be answered as "see attachment", as attachments will not be considered as part of the formal application screening and scoring process.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Charles McIntyre at chmcintyre@pa.gov or (717) 787-6910.

Application Deadline: October 14, 2022

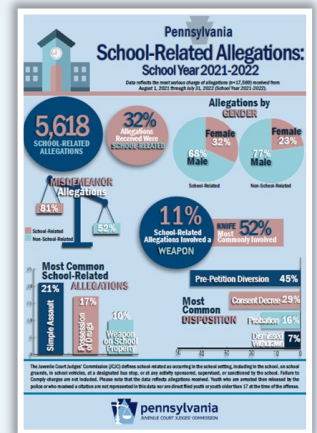


JCJC RELEASES PENNSYLVANIA SCHOOL-RELATED ALLEGATIONS INFOGRAPHIC AND PAJCMS REPORTS

The Juvenile Court Judges' Commission (JCJC) is excited to share the release of its newest infographic and Pennsylvania Juvenile Case Management (PaJCMS) report, which provide critical information about school-based allegations. Since 2015, the JCJC has collected school-based offense data through PaJCMS as an optional field. Beginning in the summer of 2021, however, JCJC began to require counties to complete certain school-related offense fields for every charge entered into PaJCMS.

One year later, JCJC has been able to analyze its first complete school year of school-related allegation data. The following are highlights from that analysis:

- Out of 17,569 allegations received between August 1, 2021 through July 31, 2022, 5,618 (32%) were school-related.
- The most common school-related charges were simple assault (21%), possession of drugs (17%), and weapon on school property (10%).
- Female youth comprised a larger proportion of school-related allegations (32%) than non-school-related (23%).
- The most common dispositions were pre-petition diversion (45%), consent decree (29%), probation (16%), and dismissed or withdrawn (7%).



To view the full infographic, please visit <https://www.jcjc.pa.gov/Research-Statistics/Documents/Slider%20Docs-Pics/2022%20School-Related%20Offenses.pdf>.

Juvenile probation departments can analyze their county's school-related allegations in a new PaJCMS report, "School-Related Allegations", found in Aggregate Management Reports. This report calculates the percentage of school-related allegations received during a selected date range. It also contains demographic and case details for school-related allegations. Users can export this data to software, such as Microsoft Excel, for additional analysis. Please contact the JCJC Help Desk at RA-JCJCHELPDESK@pa.gov with questions.

See you
in Harrisburg!

SAVE *the* DATE

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2022 James E. Anderson
PENNSYLVANIA
CONFERENCE
ON JUVENILE JUSTICE

To register, [click here](https://www.jcjcems.pa.gov/cps/ConferenceDefault.aspx), or visit <https://www.jcjcems.pa.gov/cps/ConferenceDefault.aspx>.

For general conference information, please contact us at ra-jcjcevents@pa.gov.

Annual Awards Program

On September 7th, 2022, the Juvenile Court Judges' Commission's Awards Committee convened to select the recipients of the 2022 James E. Anderson Pennsylvania Conference on Juvenile Justice Annual Awards.

This year's JCJC Awards Committee included Chair, Patrick Micco (Lawrence), and Committee Members Mary Jo Battle (Erie), Jon Frank (Blair), Michele Howard (Allegheny), Kimmy Mulik (Carbon), Justin Popovich (Bradford), Amy Warner (Philadelphia), Abigail Wilson (PCCYFS), Angel Stewart (JCJC), and Keysla Rodriguez (JCJC). After much deliberation, the Committee selected the following 2022 Annual Award winners:

Congratulations

Chief JPO of the Year:	Don Corry (Chester)
Juvenile Probation Supervisor:	Kimmy Mulik (Carbon)
Juvenile Probation Officer:	Honor Rounsville (McKean)
Juvenile Court Support Staff:	Jenny Liebrum (Dauphin)
Victim Advocate:	Diane Weaver-Thomas (Allegheny)
Meritorious Service:	Kimberly Eaton (Franklin)
Court Operated Program:	Community Intensive Supervision Program (Allegheny)
Residential Program:	Adelphoi Middle Creek Male Secure (Allegheny)
Community-Based Program:	Community-Based Family Intervention Program (Mercer)

JCJC would like to congratulate this year's Annual Award winners, and thank everyone for their submissions. Please join us at our Annual Awards Program on November 3rd, 2022. For event registration and conference information, please visit www.jcjc.pa.gov.

PENNSYLVANIA'S 2021 JUVENILE COURT ANNUAL REPORT

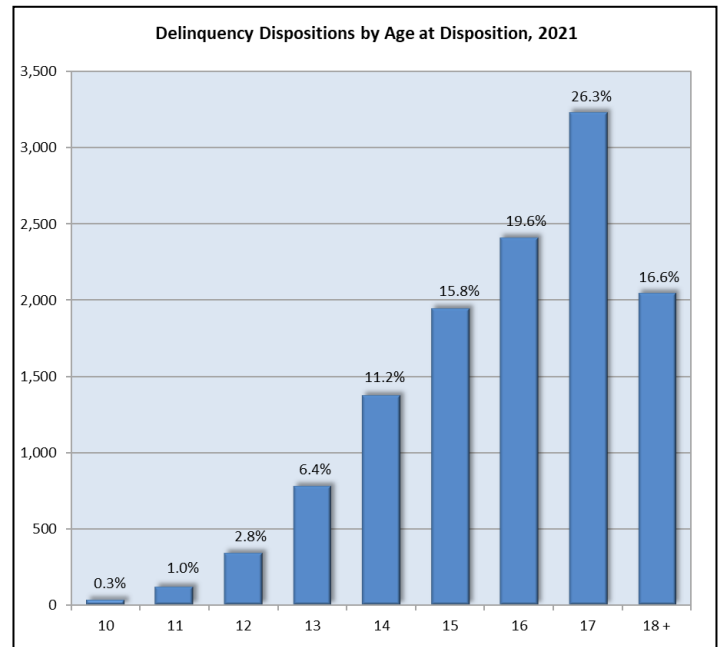
Juvenile Demographics

As we wrap up the series of newsletter highlights on the Pennsylvania 2021 Juvenile Court Annual Report, this issue examines the juvenile demographics, including gender, age, educational status, family status, living arrangement, and race/ethnicity of juveniles who were active with Pennsylvania Juvenile Justice in 2021.

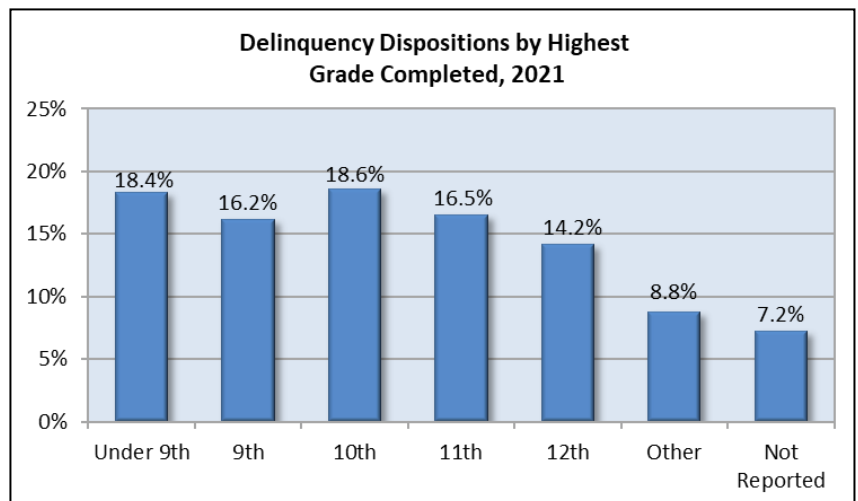
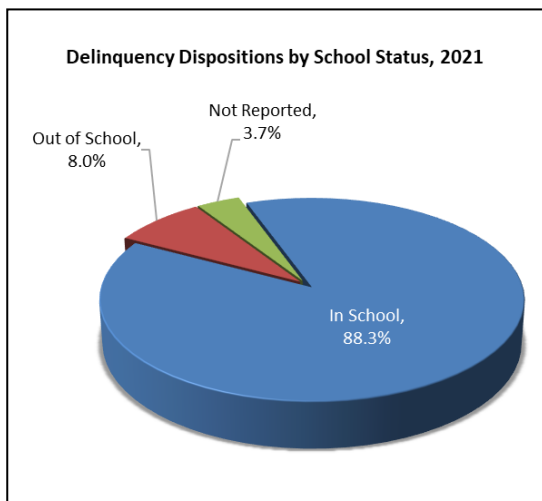
Juvenile Court dispositions in Pennsylvania continue to primarily involve males. While the number of total dispositions decreased from 2020 to 2021, in both years the distribution of dispositions by gender was relatively consistent, 74.2% male and 25.7% female in 2020, compared to 77.1% male and 22.9% female in 2021. As reflected in the chart above, the proportion of males receiving delinquency dispositions related to new allegations of delinquency increases as the disposition type becomes more restrictive.

SELECTED DISPOSITIONS	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE
Transferred to Criminal Proceedings	44	95.5%	4.5%
Placement	670	87.5%	12.5%
Probation	2,226	85.8%	14.2%
Consent Decree	2,553	74.6%	25.4%
Informal Adjustment	2,018	69.9%	30.1%
All Dispositions	12,290	77.1%	22.9%

Seventeen-year-olds accounted for 3,231 (26.3%) of all juvenile delinquency dispositions in 2021, representing the most dispositions for any age group. Juveniles aged 16 accounted for 2,410 (19.6%), while 18-year-olds accounted for 2,046 (16.6%) of the dispositions.



The vast majority (88.3%) of delinquency dispositions in 2021 reflected youth who were reported as “In School” at the time of disposition. Seventy-four percent of youth were reported as having completed grades 9, 10, 11, or 12, or as being in an “Other” educational program.



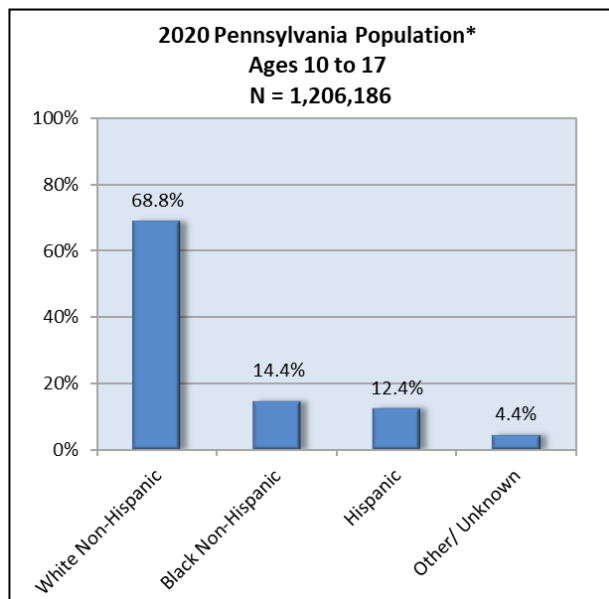
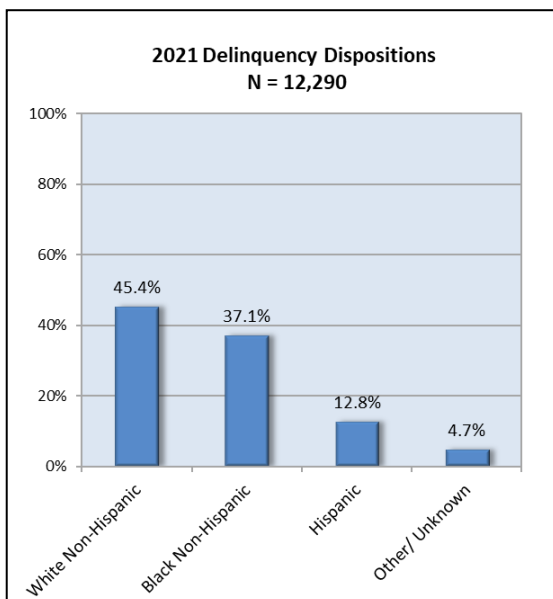
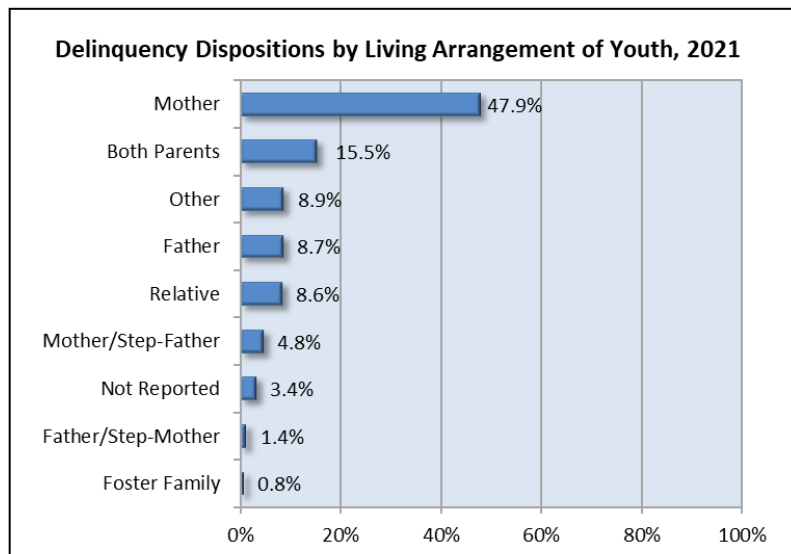
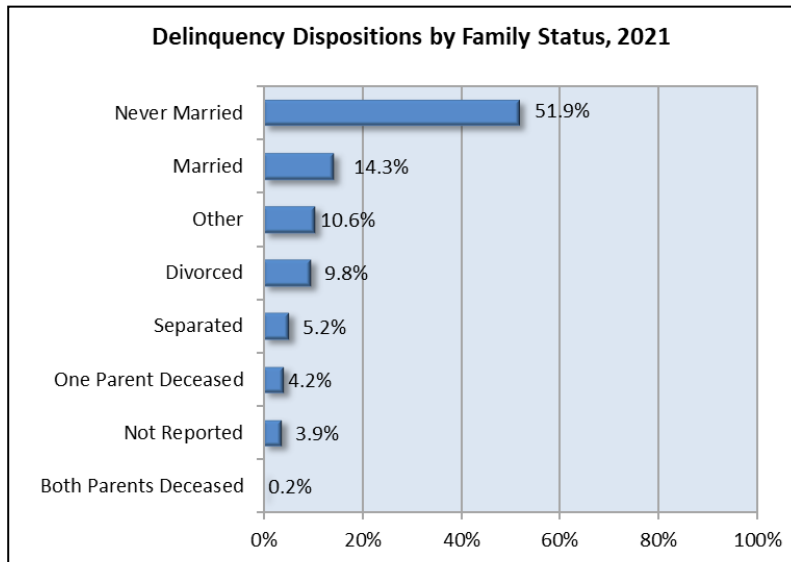
In juvenile delinquency dispositions, youth whose parents were reported as never married represented the largest group—greater than 50%. In only 14.3% of cases, the parents were reported as married at the time of disposition. The majority of youth (47.9%) resided only with their mother, while only 15.5% of juveniles resided with both parents.

In 2021, White Non-Hispanic youth represented the largest racial/ethnic category for all delinquency dispositions. However, in comparison to the racial/ethnic distribution of all youth in Pennsylvania ages 10-17, the representation of Black Non-Hispanic youth is disproportionate: 14.4% of the total population versus 37.1% of all delinquency dispositions. When excluding Philadelphia County and Allegheny County, Black Non-Hispanic youth represent 8.7% of the youth population, but 26.2% of all delinquency dispositions.

County-specific data on juvenile demographics can be found in the appendices of Pennsylvania’s 2021 Juvenile Court Annual Report at: <https://www.jcjc.pa.gov/Research-Statistics/Disposition Reports/2021 Juvenile Court Annual Report.pdf>.

Note: The data do not include dispositions resulting from disposition review and placement review hearings.

*At the time of publication of the Pennsylvania 2021 Juvenile Court Annual Report, the 2021 Population Estimates had not yet been published, therefore, we have included the 2020 Population Estimates. 2020 Population Estimates retrieved from The Centers for Disease Control available online at <http://wonder.cdc.gov/bridged-race-population.html>.



STAFF DEVELOPMENT HIGHLIGHTS

October

- 4 Massachusetts Youth Screening Instrument: Version 2 (MAYSI~2) - Virtual
- 4-5 Probation Officer Well-Being: Officer Safety That Can Promote a Safe Working Environment - State College
- 6-7 Youth Level of Service (YLS) Master Trainer Certification - Camp Hill
- 12 Motivational Interviewing (MI) Coaches Forum - State College
- 17 Organizational Leadership Development for Criminal Justice Professionals - Virtual
- 18 Learning Community for MAYSI~2 & CTS Coordinators in PA's Juvenile Probation Departments - Virtual
- 27 Pennsylvania Graduated Response County Coordinators and the Graduated Response Technical Assistance Mentors (GR-TAM) - Virtual

December

- 1 Getting Comfortable with Feedback - Virtual

Registration available at www.jcjcjems.pa.gov

SECOND JCJC TECHNOLOGY USER GROUP MEETING HELD

The Juvenile Court Judges' Commission (JCJC) held the second JCJC Technology User Group meeting this year on Tuesday, September 13th with over 130 participants in attendance. This meeting was expanded to cover not only changes and enhancements to our Pennsylvania Juvenile Case Management System (PaJCMS), but to include all JCJC's technology applications. The opening session covered IT Projects & Processes, Past PaJCMS Enhancements, Professional Development, and Research updates. The morning breakout sessions included information regarding the Service Module, Dependency Status, and PaJCMS updates. The afternoon breakout sessions included Reports/Dashboards updates and a duplicate breakout of the earlier PaJCMS session. All breakouts were interactive question/answer sessions. The sessions were not recorded due to the use of confidential data being discussed, but if anyone would like a copy of any of the presentation materials or handouts, please contact the PaJCMS Help Desk at RA-JCJCHELPDESK@pa.gov.

DEPENDENCY SUPERVISION SCREEN USER GUIDE TUTORIAL

The Pennsylvania Juvenile Case Management System (PaJCMS) Dependency Supervision Screen User Guide Tutorial will be available in [JEMS](#) on Monday, October 3, 2022. The tutorial familiarizes users with the PaJCMS Dependency Supervision Status Screen. It defines key terms, provides data entry instructions, and highlights best practices.

The intended audience is PaJCMS users who work directly with youth who are currently or were previously involved with the dependency system and/or users who manage or perform data entry and analysis.

To access this tutorial, login to JEMS with your full email address. Once you are logged in, choose "Probation Courses" along the top tabs. Scroll down to the tutorial section and simply look for the title of the tutorial

you wish to complete. Click the "Launch" button at the right.



A Day in the Life of a PaJCMS Project

Pennsylvania Juvenile Case Management System

As a tool for case management, research, and reporting on juvenile justice data in the Commonwealth, the Pennsylvania Juvenile Case Management System (PaJCMS) is continually growing. As the reported issues, requested features, and new projects continue to emerge with ever increasing numbers, the way in which the team at the Juvenile Court Judges' Commission (JCJC) and the Center for Juvenile Justice Training and Research (CJJT&R) tracks and manages those projects is also evolving. As our team works to fine-tune this process, we look forward to sharing further details to continually offer more transparency with our users. As a first step toward this goal, we would like to share a brief look at the lifespan of a typical PaJCMS project.

There are many types of projects in PaJCMS, but they typically begin their life in one of three ways:

1. A feature request reported by users such as county probation staff.
2. A need identified internally by the CJJT&R team, such as ways to address changes in legal code, improve statistical validations, or how to address needed technology upgrades.
3. Recommendations for an enhancement or new module by a Juvenile Justice System Enhancement Strategy (JJSES) committee.

When these projects are first born, the team needs to better understand the scope of the project as well as whether there are time constraints. In some cases, a new module may overlap in unexpected ways with an existing one, requiring that some of the existing features in PaJCMS be reviewed as well. For other projects, especially those for a new module, mockups may be provided to help visualize and fine-tune the changes. One of the goals during the early life of the project is to anticipate and address surprises. In some cases, a project already in development may need to return to this stage if requirements, or the discussion around them, changes unexpectedly. This is the most common cause of delayed projects.

During the analysis of the project, the team has a good idea of when the project is needed and how to prioritize it with other changes, projects, and ongoing maintenance. Clear priorities ensure that the project is not overlooked and help the developers to assign duties and schedule development.

When the project is nearly complete, it will be first reviewed to ensure it satisfies the goals and requirements, then it will be tested alongside any other PaJCMS fixes or minor features scheduled for release. If the project was recommended by a committee, we will work closely with that committee to then determine a rollout strategy. Some of these projects will be "turned off" upon release and may only be available initially to pilot counties designated by the committee while training materials are prepared. Once the project is complete, it is time to review it and prepare for the next one.

Making these projects a success involves coordination and teamwork. PaJCMS would not be where it is today without the diligent work of all the JCJC and CJJT&R staff, as well as the excellent support of the Pennsylvania Council of Chief Juvenile Probation Officers and all users! In the future, we look forward to sharing some of the ways we are improving this process.



LUZERNE COUNTY JUVENILE WELLNESS COURT

Written by Cari Million, Luzerne County Juvenile Probation

In July 2021, Luzerne County Juvenile Probation implemented a Juvenile Wellness Court. The mission of this new Court is to provide quality, intensive community-based services to juveniles with needs surrounding their behavioral health and/or substance misuse, and their families. This is achieved through a coordination of services between the Luzerne County Juvenile Court, District Attorney's Office, Public Defender's Office, Conflict Counsel Attorneys, Luzerne County Department of Human Services, Luzerne County Children and Youth, and Children's Service Center. The interdisciplinary services are provided in a manner consistent with the Pennsylvania Juvenile Justice System Enhancement Strategy initiatives to achieve the principles of Balanced and Restorative Justice.

The Wellness Court is designed to expedite mental health and/or drug and alcohol services to youth and their families in order to avoid further involvement with the juvenile justice system. It is believed that establishing consistent treatment routines may encourage long-term success in managing their respective diagnoses with the potential to reduce recidivism.

This program serves eligible youth at a diversionary level via a Consent Decree. Referral to the program is done by Luzerne County Juvenile Probation at the intake level, and the youth and family must voluntarily accept services. Youth and their families receive intervention from a Probation Officer, Treatment Case Manager, Certified Peer Support Specialist, Family Peer Support Specialist, and a Supported Employment and Education Specialist (SEES), along with other treatment providers. These professionals work to provide an intensive team approach to meet the individual needs of the family. Youth are also required to participate in community activities. Services initiate as soon as the youth is accepted into the program and their case is processed by the Court.

Goals and objectives of the Wellness Court include:

- To promote community safety and well-being in order to reduce criminal behavior and recidivism among participants.
- To help increase the participant's and their family's awareness of social and human services.
- To conserve system resources by reducing direct costs of arrest and incarceration of participants.
- Rehabilitate and improve the treatment outcomes for youth by using evidence-based practices.
- Empower participants and their families by creating an atmosphere of resiliency.

Wellness Court cases are reviewed by the Team at bi-weekly meetings and juveniles appear in Court bi-weekly to monthly depending on their need.

Additional information can be obtained by contacting Probation Officer Cari Million at cari.million@luzernecounty.org.

SEPTEMBER
**SUICIDE
 PREVENTION
 MONTH**



988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline is now active across the United States.

This new, shorter phone number will make it easier for people to remember and access mental health crisis services. (Please note, the previous 1-800-273-TALK (8255) number will continue to function indefinitely.)



The 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline is a leader in suicide prevention and mental health crisis care. Since its inception, the Lifeline has engaged in a variety of initiatives to improve crisis services and advance suicide prevention for all, including innovative public messaging, best practices in mental health, and groundbreaking partnerships.

We can all help prevent suicide. The Lifeline provides 24/7, free and confidential support for people in distress, prevention and crisis resources for you or your loved ones, and best practices for professionals in the United States.

NIJ'S SUBSTANCE USE INTERVENTION TIPS

The National Institute of Justice (NIJ) recently compiled a list of the top five things practitioners should know about substance use interventions.

The five things are:

1. Medication-assisted treatment, such as methadone maintenance therapy and buprenorphine maintenance treatment, effectively reduces opioid dependence.
2. Psychosocial interventions, such as cognitive behavioral therapy, can effectively treat cannabis use disorder.
3. Contingency management (i.e., rewarding positive behavior and withholding rewards when undesired behavior is exhibited) can reduce alcohol, tobacco, and illicit drug use.
4. Interventions of only one to five sessions can reduce alcohol use or related problems for adolescents and young adults.
5. Juvenile drug courts do not influence drug and alcohol offense recidivism or future drug use.



To learn more about each of these tenets, plus the research supporting them, please visit the [NIJ website](#) to view the document.



NATIONAL JUVENILE JUSTICE ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following announcements are reprinted from JUVJUST, an OJJDP news service:

APPLY NOW FOR SUPPORTING SYSTEM-INVOLVED LGBTQ YOUTH CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

The [Center for Juvenile Justice Reform](#) (CJJR), in partnership with the National Center for Lesbian Rights and Ceres Policy Research, is accepting applications for its [2022 Supporting the Well-Being of System-Involved LGBTQ Youth Certificate Program](#), to be held virtually from November 14–18, 2022.

This training is designed to help juvenile justice, child welfare, and other system partners improve outcomes for LGBTQ youth in child-serving systems. It will focus on the challenges these young people face and highlight effective policy and practice reforms that promote positive youth development. Topics include:

Terms and concepts related to sexual orientation, gender identity, and expression (SOGIE).

How to shape organizational cultures and approaches to support the safety and well-being of LGBTQ youth.

The prevalence of multi-system involvement and compounding issues, such as implicit bias and stigma, racial and ethnic disparities, homelessness, and commercial sexual exploitation.

Applications are due by **October 5, 2022**.

RESOURCES:

- Learn about [CJJR's Certificate Programs](#).
- Follow OJJDP on [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#).

OJJDP OBSERVES THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE JUVENILE JUSTICE AND DELINQUENCY PREVENTION ACT

Join OJJDP in observing the 48th anniversary of the [Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act \(JJDPA\)](#) and its impact on juvenile justice.

Signed into law on September 7, 1974, the JJDPA established OJJDP to support local and state efforts to prevent delinquency and improve the juvenile justice system.

In 2018, the [Juvenile Justice Reauthorization Act](#) reauthorized and amended the JJDPA. The legislation strengthens the [four core requirements](#), requires states to implement strategies to identify and decrease racial and ethnic disparities, and promotes alternatives to incarceration and family engagement. The JJDPA is scheduled for reauthorization in 2023.

In fiscal year 2021, OJJDP distributed nearly \$344 million in grant awards nationwide to support juvenile justice reforms, prevent child exploitation and abuse, and improve outcomes for youth.

RESOURCES:

- [Read](#) OJJDP's priorities
- Follow OJJDP on [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#).



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