

CCA Director's Meeting August 14, 2009

Juli Tice, President of the OCPOA welcomed CCA Directors and introduced Bruce Gibson and Gayle Dittmer, co-chairs of the CCA Committee of OCPOA

Bruce Gibson reminded CCA Directors that they may submit agenda items to the co-chairs of the CCA Committee to be addressed at CCA Directors Meetings.

Bruce Gibson introduced Alicia Handwerk, DRC Bureau of Community Sanctions (BCS).

Preliminary Results of FY09 Year End Statistics.

Alicia Handwerk reported that diversion numbers and jail days saved for jail programs (408) remain static.

Child support collections have increased significantly which is very impressive during the current financial times.

Community Service Hours have also increased.

The numbers for prison diversion programs (407) increased by 80 diversions.

Ohio Risk Assessment System (ORAS)

By the end of September there should be 24 trainers for the ORAS statewide. July of 2010 is the anticipated date for the automation of the ORAS

The initial request for grant funding to automate the tool was denied. Another attempt will be made to acquire grant funding for automation.

Fiscal Reports

Alicia Handwerk reminded CCA Directors that quarterly reports must be submitted timely. If you formerly sent reports to Georgia McKeever, please send the reports to Janet Morman, as Georgia has retired.

BCS staff run quarterly reports on numbers of diversions and other information for each program. BCS regional representatives will contact program directors to let them know where they stand in achieving stated diversion numbers. If DRC is consistently seeing that programs can not meet diversions, funding could be moved in the future. The quarterly reports will help directors track achievement toward the number of diversions. Risk based supervision will be taking into consideration if you can demonstrate that use of the risk tool has helped to better identify the right offenders.

FY 2010 Audit

Programs should have received notification of the date of their 2010 program audit. If you have not received notification, contact Stacy Lomax.

FY10 FY11 Budget

Alicia Handwerk reported that the net budget impact to DRC was a 2.8% decrease in funding. The \$12.5 million in new money that went to community corrections came out of DRCs budget. There will be additional layoffs by the end of the calendar year for DRC staff.

Roll Out of Additional Funding

Alicia Handwerk reported that proposals for the new funding have been received. BCS staff are working with programs to solidify numbers identifying impact to the prison population and required baseline information. Prison commitments are the bottom line, however BCS understands that some variables come into play, such as increase in indictments or unemployment rates.

A couple of targeted counties have indicated they will not submit a proposal for additional funding. As a result, other counties may be contacted for interest in submitting proposals. Upon final approval of the proposals, notification will be made to programs.

Community Corrections Collaborative

Gayle Dittmer reported that the collaborative members are urging community corrections agencies to work together to stretch funding as far as possible. It is recommended that regional meetings involving community corrections providers take place, if not already occurring, to share and coordinate services.

Program directors are also reminded of the importance of the programs receiving new money to have an impact of further reduction in prison population.

Council of State Governments

Funding was removed from budget. DRC and the state are still committed to make this happen. Grant opportunities are being explored to fund the study

CBCF Follow up Study

Alicia Handwerk reported that it is anticipated that the results of the CBCF/Halfway House Follow Up Study will be released in late September or early October. Difficult decision will be made as a result of the study. If programs are creating more harm with offenders they may have to do an overhaul of programs or programs may be eliminated.

Budget Revisions

Please make every attempt to get budget revisions in to BCS by April 30th if at all possible. Many budget revisions came in much later at the end of FY09. For FY2010, budget revision may be submitted after April 30, 2010 only if necessary.

Next Meeting

The next CCA Directors Meeting will be held December 11, 2009

Meeting adjourned,

Respectfully submitted by

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