

Indiana Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative



Minutes of the April 8, 2011 Indiana Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative (JDAI) Statewide Expansion Team Meeting

In attendance:

Justice Steven David

Hon. Mary Harper

Mary Murdock

Matt Aalsma, Ph.D.

Clara Anderson

Bill Barton, Ph.D.

Margaret Blythe, M.D.

Hon. Mary Beth Bonaventura

Hon. Vicki Carmichael

Mag. Marla Clark

Cathy Danyluk

Shawna Gary

JauNae Hanger

Steve Johnson, J.D.

Larry Landis, J.D.

Steve Luce

Sue Lummus

Amy Beier

Alison Cox

Anthony McDonald

Michael Ward

LydaAbell

Rebecca Humphrey

Joann Price

Mag. Gael Deppert

Don Travis

Brent Kelley

Kellie Whitcomb

Tashi Johnson

Ashley Barnett

Jason Bowser

Indiana Supreme Court

Porter County Circuit Court

Indiana Criminal Justice Institute

IU School of Medicine

Children's Bureau

IU School of Social Work

IU School of Medicine

Lake County Superior Court

Clark County Superior Court

Johnson County JDAI/DMC Coord.

Indiana Dept. of Education

Clark County JDAI/DMC Coord.

Civil Rights of Children Committee

Indiana Prosecuting Attorney's Council

Indiana Public Defender Council

Indiana Sheriff's Association

Indiana Div. of Mental Health & Addiction

Porter County Juvenile Services

Porter County Juvenile Detention

Porter County JDAI/DMC Coord.

Indiana Chiefs of Police Association

Clark County JDAI/DMC Coord.

Tippecanoe County JDAI/DMC Coord.

Lake County JDAI/DMC Coord.

Marion Superior Ct. Juvenile-JDAI

Howard County Probation

(POPAI Representative)

Howard County

Indiana Dept. of Correction

Indiana Criminal Justice Institute

Indiana Criminal Justice Institute

Bartholomew County Detention

(IJDA Representative)

Laurie Elliott
Amy Karozos
Michelle Tennell

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**Next meeting June 10, 2011
11:00 am – 12:30 pm (EST)
Indiana State Bar Association**

I. Welcome and Introductions

Judge Harper opened the meeting and introduced Justice David, Indiana Supreme Court and Mary Murdock of the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute as the newly appointed Co-Chairs of the JDAI Statewide Expansion. Mary Murdock is serving as Co-Chair in light of the departure of the Executive Director of ICJI, Dr. Moore. Kellie Whitcomb of the Indiana Department of Correction, a lead agency in the JDAI Statewide Expansion, is representing Commissioner Bruce Lemmon at this meeting. Introductions were made.

Justice David made opening remarks reiterating the level of commitment and engagement all of the lead agencies and Steering Committee members have shown. He also acknowledged all of the hard work the local communities have undertaken and expressed the group's appreciation for everyone's efforts.

Kellie Whitcomb spoke of behalf of Commissioner Lemmon and expressed the keen interest the IDOC has in the expansion of JDAI Statewide and the department's commitment to support the initiative. Additionally, the IDOC has received a one-year BJA Planning Grant to address mental health and/or co-occurring disorders in youth committed to the IDOC. The Department has partnered with the Youth Law T.E.A.M. to act as project director and a strategic planning committee has been developed. The intersection between this initiative's activities and those of the statewide expansion of JDAI will be explored and reported.

II. Local JDAI Expansion Site Updates

Lake County:

Lake County has held several meetings of their collaborative following the February training provided by the Annie E. Casey Foundation (AECF) and the Burn's Institute (BI). The collaborative has made contact with Calumet College who has agreed to assist with data gathering and analysis and to join the local collaborative. Lake County will participate in the upcoming Systems Assessments performed by representatives of the AECF as well as the State JDAI team.

Justice David offered his assistance to visit any local expansion site and participate in a meeting of the collaborative.



Porter County:

The collaborative continues to develop and expand. Law enforcement has become engaged and active in the local initiative. Valparaiso University will provide an intern to assist with development of data capacity, analysis, and utilization. Porter County will participate in the upcoming Systems Assessments performed by representatives of the AECF as well as the State JDAI team.

Tippecanoe County:

Members of the collaborative recently returned from a visit to Clayton County, GA to learn about their success in addressing the “School to Prison Pipeline.” The collaborative has developed an MOU with Purdue University Department of Homeland Security to assist with mapping of crime, etc. Sub-committees have been formed and meet regularly. The county is looking to partner with Dr. Bill Barton to assist with development of a detention risk assessment instrument. The collaborative is also planning a site visit to Marion County. Members of the local team have given presentations to local community stakeholders on the School to Prison and Cradle to Prison Pipeline, and a presentation regarding JDAI was given during a Child Abuse Summit held in Tippecanoe County. Tippecanoe County will participate in the upcoming Systems Assessments performed by representatives of the AECF as well as the State JDAI team.

Howard County:

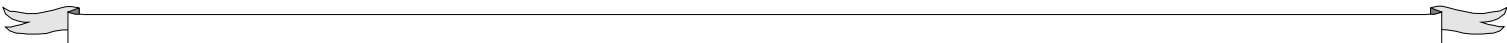
The collaborative is in the process of re-organizing its stakeholder group. The JDAI Statewide Coordinator will conduct a formal introduction/presentation to the group about the 8 core strategies of JDAI in the end of April, 2011. Howard County will participate in the first sister site visit to Marion County.

Johnson County:

The Johnson County “JPIC” group has restructured following the February AECF/BI meeting and has included additional members. The community collaborative is forming sub-committees to begin focusing on the use of detention. Franklin College will present their findings on a study of recidivism conducted in Johnson County. The JDAI collaborative will make a presentation to their local Juvenile Justice Advisory Board. Johnson County will participate in the upcoming Systems Assessments and are looking forward to visiting their sister site, Marion County, for a day of information about how JDAI has impacted the juvenile justice system at the local level. Johnson County noted that their juvenile detention population has decreased over the past year.

Clark County:

Clark County is working to form their local collaborative. Members of the collaborative are being invited to attend the Marion County sister site visit to increase their knowledge regarding what JDAI entails at the local level. Judges from Floyd and Harrison counties are being engaged to collaborate with Clark County on the JDAI as they send a significant number of kids from their jurisdictions to the Clark County Detention facility. The collaborative is also exploring the possibility of working with a local university to assist with their development of data capacity and analysis.





Marion County:

A Facility Assessment team has been assembled and is ready to be trained by the AECF on the self-assessment of Conditions of Confinement. Marion County is preparing for three, one-day visits from the seven expansion sites in Indiana to learn more about Marion County's JDAI Journey. The collaborative is engaging schools and the Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Department in discussions about how to "control the doors" of detention and what opportunities for diversion may exist. The County is also in the process of evaluating programs to determine their level of success, what improvements may be made, and what gaps might exist. Marion County continues their engagement with the Burn's Institute to assist with identifying if DMC exists, and, if so, where and why it exists. Finally, the DMC committee is focusing more on community engagement.

Cathy Danyluk, from the Indiana Department of Education, volunteered that the Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Department is assigning a school liaison officer to each district.

Elkhart County

Elkhart County was unable to send a representative to the meeting, due to a conflict in scheduling. They are engaged in developing their community stakeholder group and plan to participate in a site visit in Marion County in May.


III. JDAI Statewide Expansion Activities—State Update

The 3-year Juvenile Justice System Improvement Plan for Indiana has been submitted by the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute to the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP). Disproportionate Minority Contact (DMC) and the Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative (JDAI) are listed as priority purpose areas in the Plan.

The DMC data collection project being undertaken by Indiana University, Indianapolis is scheduled to be completed by June, 2011. The next phase of the DMC project will be the Assessment Phase. ICJI, Youth Division, is currently developing a statewide DMC committee which will support the work of the JDAI.

Funding associated with the 3-year OJJDP plan is directly tied to maintaining compliance with the four core requirements of the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act (JJDP). The Youth Law T.E.A.M. of Indiana, the contracted JJDP compliance monitors, is in the process of verifying all 2012 data submitted by facilities that have the capacity to securely house or hold juveniles under public authority. A report on the State's compliance will be submitted to OJJDP by June 30, 2011. Based upon the data currently available, the State is in compliance with all of the core requirements and will be eligible to receive the full allocation of Title II and Title V OJJDP funds.

Monthly JDAI Expansion Site Conference Calls have been conducted and are arranged for the third Wednesday of every month from 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm EST.



Ashley Barnett, Tashi Johnson, and Michelle Tennell continue with regular visits to each expansion site to assist with the JDAI expansion and DMC efforts locally.

IV. State Steering Committee Activities

A work-plan with upcoming JDAI activities and events has been distributed to the State Steering Committee.

A Memorandum of Understanding will be developed by the three lead agencies to identify each entity's roles and responsibilities related to the JDAI.

Judge Harper offered to take the lead on the development of a Mission and Vision Statement for JDAI Statewide Expansion in Indiana. The document will be made available prior to the June, 2011 meeting to Committee members for input at that meeting.

Production of a Press Release and a Statewide Newsletter regarding the expansion of JDAI was discussed. The Indiana Criminal Justice Institute and the Statewide JDAI Coordinator will take the lead on this. This will be discussed in further depth at the June, 2011 meeting.

A request for an exception to Administrative Rule 9 from the Indiana Supreme Court was proposed to allow for the gathering and sharing of data. This will be necessary for the JDAI to accomplish the goals of being a data-driven decision-making process. Further discussion will occur at the next Steering Committee meeting regarding the contents of the request.

Next Steps

1. Annie E. Casey Foundation Systems Assessments performed in Lake, Porter, Tippecanoe, and Johnson Counties by May 31, 2011.
 - a. Kick-off and Systems Assessment Review by August 30, 2011.
2. Sister Site visits to Marion County completed by June 30, 2011.
3. Determine funding/resource availability
4. Revise Timetable as State Structure and Expansion Sites are Updated
5. Upcoming Conferences and Trainings
6. Annie E. Casey Foundation Collaboration
 - Continue to work with the Foundation regarding next steps for Indiana's JDAI Statewide Expansion
7. Burn's Institute Collaboration
 - Work in collaboration with Annie E. Casey Foundation to utilize Burn's Institute expertise in JDAI/DMC Statewide Expansion

Respectfully submitted by:
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