Juvenile Justice Policy and Oversight Committee

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Progress Report

• Recommendations from reports dealing with:
  – Educational Barriers
  – Mental Health and Juvenile Justice
• Discussion and voting
Education Recommendations

• Reduce chronic absenteeism by initiating truancy intervention models, addressing exclusionary school discipline practices, and adopting restorative justice practices.

• Provide an appropriate menu of educational supports for all students at each stage of the juvenile justice system including those diverted from Court, placed on probation, incarcerated, or re-entering the community in order to maximize their academic success.

• Increase interagency collaboration, monitoring, and accountability among SDE, DCF, CSSD, DOC to address the educational deficiencies of the juvenile justice population.

Behavioral Health Recommendations

• That the juvenile justice system infrastructure and integration be enhanced to address the behavioral health needs of all youth, including those who are involved with, or at risk of involvement with, the juvenile justice system.

• That an integrated system be developed to provide an effective array of services and supports that identify and address service needs at the earliest possible point, prevents deep-end behavioral health and juvenile system involvement, coordinates care across systems, and fully addresses the needs of system-involved youth.
Next Steps

• Develop Manson Youth Institution Recommendations
• Develop a Recidivism and Community Supervision Plan
• Develop Implementation Plans and Performance Measures
• Develop Progress and Outcome Monitoring Process
• Develop a Plan for RtA and Young Offenders Ages 21-25