

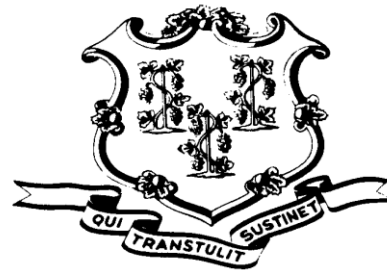
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Status of the CJPAC Research Workgroup



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- **We continue to meet monthly (2nd Wed.)**
- **Regular attendees from:**
 - **DOC**
 - **DPS**
 - **Court Operations**
 - **Public Defender**
 - **OPM**
 - **DOC- Parole**
 - **CSSD**
 - **BOPP**
 - **DMHAS**
 - **OLR**
- **Melding research, admin. and operations**
- **Melds the practical with the abstract**

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- **Goal: to build a formal network**
 - **Connecting agencies through people**
 - new partnerships created
 - existing partnerships reinforced
 - **Data and information sharing**
 - work from the same set of numbers
 - sharing advice and expertise
 - assist agencies to build/strengthen research and evaluation capacity
 - **Produce objective, data-derived policy research to inform public debate**

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- **Summary Research WG meeting 6/9/2010**
 - **CSSD** – Outcome assessment for probation officers, female offenders, data and reporting issues
 - **DPS** – status of Crime in CT reports
 - **DHMAS** – (1) database project linking data from DHMAS, CSSD, DOC, (2) evaluation of pre-trial diversion program for DUI and first time drug poss.
 - **DOC** – (1) population management summary & trends (2) photo-sharing, video-conferencing, federal reporting (3) Domestic Violence risk assessment
 - **DOC Parole** – releases update, sex off. bed status
 - **BOPP** – DV-SRI, interest meetings w/CSSD

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- **Preparing for the next Biennium Budget Process and General Assembly session**
- **The goal to produce objective, benchmark data and information about aspects of the criminal justice system**
- **Through the Research WG, CJPAC has a unique opportunity to contribute to the discourse**
- **To make data and analysis available to policy makers in advance**
- **Two possible topics**
 - **Disaggregating the blended costs of incarceration**
 - **Approaching a definition for non-violent offenders**

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- **Disaggregating the blended costs of incarceration**
 - **What does it cost to house different categories of offenders?**
 - **Aggregating daily incarceration costs for all offenders obscures the path for solutions**
 - **Offenders with:**
 - **significant medical/mental health issues**
 - **older offenders, hospice care**
 - **handicapped, HIV/AIDS**
 - **How many at \$45/day versus \$250/day**

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- **Approaching a pragmatic definition for non-violent offenders**
 - **RISK vs. COST**
 - **What statutes should be included?**
 - **Should violent crime history degrade with time? Current sentence or sentence history?**
 - **The problem with the controlling offense.**
 - **Accuracy and completeness**
 - **Plea negotiations – convictions or arrest**
 - **Data validated scenarios of the violent prison population**

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