Agenda Research/Forecasting Group

June 20, 2007 10:30 AM to 12:00 Noon, CCSU

Changes in Mandated Reporting Dates

- Statutory
- Non-Statutory

Need for Additional Participation - New Members/Status

- DMHAS [We need a DMHAS rep]
- DOC [Donna Cupka and/or Karl Lewis]
- DPS [Someone from the Crimes Analysis Unit]
- Others [DSS/Labor, etc.]

Monthly Indicators Report

- Deadline for Monthly Indicators Report [Change the informal deadline for distribution to the 10th of each month]
- Reformat/Improve Presentation of the Document [Need for clearer presentation, a summary important changes/trends and more analysis of trend data – if possible]
- Accuracy of forecasting methodology used for monthly report
 [June forecast is actually forecasting crisis levels of inmate growth –
 how true/accurate??]

Meeting with Dr. James Austin on June 29th

- Offer of Technical Assistance from Council of State Governments [Dr. Austin will be visiting OPM to discuss technical assistance "opportunities"/ Steve Cox will also attend]
 - Discussion of current Forecasting model/methodology -possible areas of improvement
 - Discussion of current Monthly Indicators Report possible areas of improvement
 - Preparation of statistical package for visit, etc.

Update on Sentencing Task Force

• Possible Data/Research Requirements

[General Discussion/Update on the critical path of the Sentencing Task Force – subcommittees, etc.]

Annual Re-Entry Strategy Document

- Need to move from the descriptive to the analytical
- Catalogue which programs have been evaluated
- Which programs have measurable data
- Performance measurement/evaluation of re-entry programs
- Cost benefit analysis of re-entry programs
- Potential involvement of the Annie E. Casey Foundation

Other Information Sharing

- Mental Health Transformation Grant/Process
 - Example of consistent collection of programmatic/funding information
- Next recidivism Report/Methodology
- JRSA Annual Meeting