

**SAC Meeting**  
 OPM – 450 Capitol Ave  
 June 6, 2008  
 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM

**Chair:** Linda DeConti, Research Unit Manager (OPM)

**Present:** John Forbes, Assistant Division Director, Kelly Sinko, Intern, Kyle Chaffee, Intern, Cody Hyman, Intern (OPM); Steven Cox, Connecticut SAC Director (CCSU)

**Excused:** Lyndsay Ruffolo, Research Specialist (CCSU)

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<b>Acceptance of Minutes:</b>	The Minutes from the May 23 <sup>rd</sup> meeting were accepted as written.		
<b>Announcements:</b>	The dates for the MOU have been made and are signed on the OPM sign and need signatures from SAC	Signatures	
<b>Forecast Study/ Methodology</b>	<p>There was discussion the presentation of the data represented in Chart 6A of the monthly report. Both sentenced and un-sentenced data will be included and there was a consensus to look into more clear formats for the graph: lines, bar graphs, etc.</p> <p>John discovered the 1993 simulation program NCCO'S Prophet. It requires a data set, which is unclear how to upload at the moment.</p> <p>Steve also would like to do a study of pretrial data and how that relates to the prison population/backup if the study is not already being conducted.</p>	<p>Linda is going to investigate the program to further determine how to use it.</p> <p>Kyle is composing a list of questions to pose t SAC directors from the other 49 states (and PR) to determine what programs they use and if they like the programs/how accurate they seem to be.</p> <p>We will each call SAC directors with these questions and will combine for conference call for particularly intriguing systems.</p>	

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<p><b>Recidivism Syntax File</b></p>	<p>There was discussion of the requirements to prepare for the June 11, 2008 Forecast Research Workgroup presentation to be made by Steve Cox. The group determined that the discussion would likely center on the way the study was conducted, particularly why it was done in that format. It was also decided to distribute the syntax file and revisit the report contents containing the 2004 data set for a 36 month span.</p> <p>There was also discussion on the format of the information presentation. Ideally, the information in the study could be presented more simply to more resemble the Massachusetts Recidivism study.</p> <p>Steve plans to start with the 1997 data and then proceed to the 2004 data to ensure that he has complete data sets.</p> <p>There was discussion on whether to use 2004 or 2005 data for the February 2009 study. The 2005 data, while more current, also runs the risk of being incomplete. If 2005 data is used, the study will be preliminary and will have to be revised, whereas the 2004 will provide the full three years of data for a full study.</p>	<p>Presentation to the Forecast Research Workgroup</p> <p>Following the FRW meeting on 6/11, CCSU will request the data sets from 1997 and the 36 month span beginning in 2004 from the Department of Corrections.</p>	<p>June 11, 2008</p> <p>The week of June 11, 2008</p>
<p><b>Timeline for Deliverables/ Summer Projects</b></p>	<p>The first deadline for the MOU is the required compilation of studies.</p> <p>SAC is looking for an intern to do research and plans to bring such intern to the June 20, 2008 SAC Meeting at OPM</p> <p>Progress Report will be drafted based on the SAC meetings by OPM for Steve's review. There will be such reports for the MOU's State money, the Federal Grant money beginning on July 1<sup>st</sup>. The current status in the closeout process also needs to be determined.</p>	<p>Bring current work for the MOU on a disk to the FRW meeting</p>	<p>June 11, 2008</p>
<p><b>Meeting Schedule:</b></p>	<p><b>June 20, 2008</b> – OPM, Room 2A (9:00 AM -12:00 noon)</p> <p>June 27, 2008 – OPM, Room 2A (9:00 AM – 12:00 noon)</p> <p>July 11, 2008 – OPM, Room 2A (9:00 AM – 12:00 noon)</p> <p>July 18, 2008 – OPM, Room 2A (9:00 AM – 12:00 noon)</p>		

