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Understanding and Leveraging Data in the Juvenile Justice and Child Welfare Systems: Consulting Services Information Sheet



The National Center for Juvenile Justice (NCJJ), the NCJFCJ's independent research arm, has supported juvenile and family courts to leverage data for over 50 years.



We specialize in helping courts and related agencies harness data to improve operations, enhance decision-making, and ultimately, improve outcomes for youth and families.



We are excited to be expanding its expert data consultation services to a broader range of clients— including juvenile and family courts, juvenile justice agencies, detention and residential facilities, and service providers—through customizable, fee-based engagements.



Whether you're just beginning to use data or are ready to take your analysis and reporting to the next level, we offer flexible support to meet your goals.

Our Services Tailored to Your Needs

- 1 Data Snapshot & Analyst Support**
Ideal for teams with access to data but limited analytic capacity. You provide the raw data extract—we clean, analyze, and deliver a clear, user-friendly 1–2 page report highlighting key trends and insights. A fast, practical option to gain a performance overview and identify areas for action. Ongoing reporting options are also available.
- 2 Peer Learning & Data Training Series (Web-Based)**
This interactive, customizable webinar series helps staff overcome data-related barriers and build confidence in using their own data. Topics include leveraging data for decision-making and funding, understanding implementation challenges, and getting started with core reporting. Led by NCJJ researchers and judicial experts, each session includes time for Q&A and practical takeaways.
- 3 Data Capacity Assessments**
We work with stakeholders to assess your current data capabilities and identify strengths, gaps, and opportunities. You'll receive a tailored set of recommendations to build internal capacity for collecting, reporting, and using data effectively—whether you're just starting out or ready to expand your efforts.
- 4 Prototype Data Report & Training Tools**
Not sure how to turn your data into useful reports? We help you build customized examples using your real data, paired with easy-to-use templates and guidance. This support is ideal for teams looking to routinize reporting and grow confidence in using data without needing technical expertise.
- 5 Research & Evaluation Services**
Looking to explore a specific topic or evaluate a program? Our team offers full-service search and evaluation support—whether you're examining outcomes, disproportionality in program impact, conducting needs assessments, or analyzing trends. We also can help you prepare for an evaluation study, offer fidelity assessments, stakeholder surveys, listening sessions, SWOT analyses, and more.

Customized Solutions Available

Have a data-related challenge that doesn't fit into one of these service levels? No problem. We regularly tailor services to meet the unique needs of individual courts and agencies.

To learn more about our consulting services or to schedule a consultation, please contact our Deputy Executive Officer, Bob Christensen, at RChristensen@ncjfcj.org, or reach out to any of our dedicated team members listed below.



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