

Questions and Answers 2013 RFP Process

Delinquency & Court Services

- DCS007 Q: When youth are ordered to serve one year in corrections, and say they are approved for early release six months into their order, does that mean the program only has six months left to provide transitional support? Can the worker submit a request to DJC to extend the order?
A: Reentry coordination services end at the end of the order. Parties bound by the Dispositional Order may request the court to extend the order. The vendor may not directly request an extension to the court, however, is encouraged to consult with the DJC and Milwaukee County to provide input and recommendations regarding the youth's order.
- DCS007 Q: Providing that the program manager have an office space, as well as provide a copy/fax/scanner machine, can the hired staff be "virtual?" (i.e. utilize cell phones and lap tops without an assigned desk space)
A: Virtual staff are permissible.
- DCS007 Q: What is the staff's job title? How many youth do they service on an average case load?
A: The job title and the average case load per worker is up to the vendor to determine. Up to 55 youth may be assigned to the vendor at a given time (however in practice the number assigned at any given point in time is typically in the 40s).
- DCS007 Q: Is there access to the demographics of the youth sentenced to DOC or their revocation/success rates based on this program model?
A: In 2011, 92% of youth committed were male & 8% female. The average age at commitment was 16.3. 88.7% of youth were African-American, 9.5% Hispanic/Latino, & 1.8% white/Caucasian. Exact revocation/success rates are not available at this time. The prospective vendor should be guided by the performance measures established in the program description on page 5-DCSD-7 and 5-DCSD-8.
- DCS007 Q: Does the program have to follow a strict transition plan or can it be adapted to the youth's needs? (i.e. Residential to Group Home or straight to Independent Living Group Home)
A: Transition plans are discussed at the Transition Team meetings facilitated by the DJC agent. Transition plans are individualized to the youth. While the vendor is expected to provide input and recommendations, the placement upon release is the responsibility of DJC. Youth released from the institution may go to parent/guardian, or to a DJC-contracted out-of-home placement, including foster or group home, residential care or independent living.

DCS007 Q: Does the program require a specific staff structure (program manager, supervisor, lead, line staff)?

A: The program does not require a specific staff structure.

DCS007 Q: Is there a specific training guideline to follow?

A: No.

DCS007 Q: Do the youth chosen for the program have to meet specific criteria (age, permanency goal, mental health diagnosis, degree of delinquent offense...)?

A: There are no criteria limitations on youth that may be chosen for the program, with the exception of youth committed with a Serious Juvenile Offender disposition.