

PROBATION FORUM – ISSUES UPDATE

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PROBATION FORUM FOLLOW-UP: May 23, 2013



A National in Youth Transition (NYTD) database presentation was given by CDSS at the May Forum. Twenty-seven counties, CDSS, CWDA, and RCFFP participated in the discussions.

NEW PROBATION COUNTY CONSULTANT AT CWS/CMS OFFICE

Harold Rowe, Sacramento County Supervising Probation Officer, was introduced as the CWS/CMS Office’s County Consultant. Harold’s experience and commitment to Probation is a real asset in moving CDSS, the CWS/CMS Office, and Probation Departments forward with data reporting that will show improved federal and state data outcomes. Harold can be reached at 916-263-1128 and harold.rowe@osi.ca.gov.

ISSUE UPDATES

The CDSS CMS Support Branch continues to work with other CDSS Branches and RCFFP, verify that information contained on the FC23 (Probation Foster Care Placement Monthly Caseload Statistical Report) is available through CWS/CMS. CDSS will also need to work with RCFFP to insure that these data elements are included in CWS/CMS training. In the meantime, counties are reminded that the FC23 must be submitted monthly.

RELEASE 6.8

Release 6.8 took place on June 8th, and includes non-minor dependent related changes to the application. Information about the release can be found at:

<http://www.hwcws.cahwnet.gov/Training2/Star2/default.asp>

To access this webpage you will need a county logon which can be obtained from one of the staff listed to the left of this notice.

FUTURE AGENDA SUGGESTIONS

If there are concerns or issues that you would like added to the agenda, please submit them to Harold Rowe @ harold.rowe@osi.ca.gov. The NYTD presentation and discussion during our May meeting was at the request of probation forum participants.



The June 2013 Probation Forum Meeting is Cancelled!

NEXT PROBATION FORUM

July 25, 2013

(877) 214-6371

Participant Code: 933687

Adobe Connect Meeting Link:

<http://cahealthosi.adobeconnect.com/probation/>

NYTD Youth Surveys

CDSS' Theresa Thurmond, Manager of Independent Living Program Policy Unit, and Alicia Sandoval, Manager of Child Welfare Data Analysis Bureau, provided an informative presentation on NYTD. Information covered the purpose of NYTD, incentives, data quality reports and survey data collection reports.

There was significant discussion on how surveys impact the ILP and services to eligible youth. Some counties have submitted an impressive number of surveys while others have not. From the discussion, it was clear this matter will not be resolved quickly. Future forum meetings will commit time in the agenda to discuss what the barriers are, and problem solving as to how to resolve them.

Overview of Cohort 1

- For Federal Fiscal Year 2011, the number of NYTD survey eligible youth in foster care within 45 days of their 17th birthday was 5,273.
- 2,566 youth were eligible in the 1st report period
- 2,707 youth were eligible in the 2nd report period
- For the follow up population, a total of 1,819 youth were eligible to take the NYTD survey at age 19. 705 youth for the 1st report period, and 1,114 youth for the 2nd report period.

This provides some estimates of what to expect for Cohort #2 (2nd set of 17 year olds) who will be offered the survey.

What's Next?

A list of the follow-up population has been sent to CPS and Probation. Determinations are required for every youth on the list. The possible determinations are:

- **Death** – The youth died prior to participation.
- **Declined** – The youth was located successfully and was invited to participate, but declined.
- **Incapacitated** – The youth has a permanent or temporary mental or physical condition that prevents survey participation.
- **Incarcerated** – The youth was unable to participate because of his/her incarceration.
- **Participated** – The youth participated in the survey.
- **Unable to Locate** – Could not locate the youth or otherwise invite the youth's participation. For example, no current address or telephone number on file; no forwarding address available; mail was returned.

Possible Resource

SafeMeasures is offering a no cost version of disaster maps and the two NYTD survey items. They are offering a 60 day trial of the full version at no cost. Check with your county to see if you have access to this tool. If you want further information on SafeMeasures, please contact support@safemeasures.org or Brian Hodgson (bhodgson@nccdglobal.org) who is leading client interaction for the CA probation project and is the primary point of contact.

Want to Discuss More About NYTD?

The July Probation Forum will include a follow-up discussion on NYTD surveys. Please share how your county has been successful in obtaining youth participation. Also, if you have specific issues or questions that you want to discuss, please contact Harold Rowe (contact information is on the front of this update).

