

Review: Administration of Juvenile Justice

Local Management	Federal	Commission Concerns/Notes
Purpose and System Intent <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accountability • Skill Development • Effective Supervision • Public Safety • Reduce Recidivism 	Purpose and System Intent <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Containment • Public Safety • Punishment 	See Executive Summary re Federal Policy
Focus on youth offender <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reliance on Assessment Tools • Prevention Programming • Diversionary Programming • Community and Family Involvement • Protect Resiliencies 	Focus on jurisdiction and offense <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reliance on detention • Recent Implementation of Probation/PV's • Excessive, harmful stays • Lack of ties to the Community 	Estimated daily bed cost \$240. ALOS 25 months. (750 x 240 = \$180,000 est.) Dosage issue
Adjudication <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Courts of Excellence • Dedicated Bench • Professional Juvenile Departments • Assessment Driven 	Adjudication <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • USATO Discretion • BOP Commitment • Limited Bench Involvement • Lack Assessment Tools 	Declination rate 42% = lost opportunity? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaborative Offender Assessment • Conditional Release/Diversion • Policing Opportunities • Community Solutions
Intervention/Services <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pretrial Services • Detention Risk Assessment • Alternatives to Detention • Best Practice Supervision • Graduated Sanctions • Accredited Education • Community Based Services 	Intervention/Services?'s <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supervision Models • Staff Culture and training • Custody services are a barrier to family involvement • Detention facilities and locations problematic • Lack Tribal and Community 	Decision Point Analysis

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Special Populations• Re entry services• Community and Family Oriented• Regular Re-Assessment• Continued Bench Involvement | Involvement |
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Definition of Successful Outcome	Definition of Successful Outcome	Define Success
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Increased Public Safety• Data Defined• Low Recidivism	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Recidivism unknown• Impact on Community and Quality of Life unknown	

If you don't know where you are going, how will you know when you get there? Alice in Wonderland

Federal and Local systems clearly differ in their approach to handling juvenile delinquency. Most local systems have both Mission and Vision Statements helping them provide services consistent with community values. They also identify the metrics for a job well done.

Ideally, Indian youth should benefit from best practice interventions and programs. On its face, the fact of a separate system seems a historic remnant that fails Indian youth and communities. This is especially so if the services provided by that system are substandard to local counterparts and possibly exacerbate criminogenic risk.

Respectful recommendations to the Commissioners:

1. Further examine Federal case management and handling.
2. Request testimony presenting the findings of the Tribal Youth in the Federal Justice System Final Report, May 2011. More data will be needed.
3. Request testimony from the Federal Bench and Probation Services.
4. Recommend the creation of a work group to explore and plan implementation of Evidence Based Programs and the principles of What Works.
5. Consider case autopsies.
6. Encourage Assessment at the earliest viable decision point.
7. Encourage Regular Re-Assessment.
8. Encourage Prevention and Diversion opportunities.
9. Discourage reliance on detention.
10. Encourage shifting and leveraging of resources to explore collaborative case management.
11. Support funding for record and data management systems.
12. Support funding for Tribal Education on Evidence Based Practices and What Works.
13. Encourage Alternatives to adjudication.
14. Explore role dedicated SAUSA's
15. Encourage the use of technology.
16. Encourage data collection and data informed decision and policy making.
17. Consider collaborative pilot projects in appropriate Districts.
18. Define Success.
19. Mission Statement
20. Vision Statement