



CSAC – Results First

Investing in Programs That Work

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Evidencebased Programming Help Desk Expand County Partnerships

Program Inventory Technical Assistance Program
Inventory &
Benefit-Cost
Model

Results First Approach

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IDENTIFY program budget portfolio and what you know about each program

Match the programs to the clearing house

Using your results

What are programs?

- *Programs* are interventions (program or practice) that engage participants in order to achieve desired outcomes.
 - In Adult Criminal Justice, this includes programs that address recidivism, life skills, substance abuse, parenting skills, etc.
 - o For example:
 - Cognitive behavioral therapy
 - Postsecondary correctional education

Evidence-based programs



- Promising programs and practices
- Evidence-based ≠ Effective

What are clearinghouses?

- Purpose is to identify "what works"
- Review and summarize rigorous evaluations of different interventions
- Assign ratings to interventions based on the evidence (e.g., model, promising, mixed effects)
- Use slightly different methodologies, criteria and terminology
- Policy area specific
 - What Works Clearinghouse = Education
 - CrimeSolutions.gov = Criminal Justice

Results First Clearinghouse Database

Policy area	Intervention	Blueprints	CEBC	Coalition	Crime Solutions	NREPP	PPN	wwc	WWR
Substance abuse	Active Parenting of Teens: Families in Action		•		•	•			
Substance abuse	Adolescent Community Reinforcement Approach		•		•	•			
Juvenile justice	Adolescent Diversion Program (NY)				•				
Juvenile justice	Adolescent Diversion Project								7
Child welfare	Adolescent Parenting Program	Clearinghouse: CrimeSolutions.gov Intervention: Adult boot camps Evidence Rating: No effects practice							
Mental health	Adolescents Coping with Depression	Learn more →							
Adult criminal justice	Adult boot camps				•				
Adult criminal justice	Adult drug court (Guam)				•				
Adult criminal justice	Adult drug courts								
Adult criminal justice	Adult drug courts (OR)								
Adult criminal justice Adult mental health courts Displaying results 1-60 of 1001 Back to top									

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Example of Assessing Level of Funding for Evidence-Based Programs

PROGRAM INFORMATION	в	JDGET	EVIDENCE-BASED		
PROGRAM NAME	PROGRAM BUDGET	% OF PROGRAM BUDGET	RATINGS		
Day Reporting Center	\$125,000	6%	Highest rated	9%	
Cognitive behavioral therapy	\$50,000	3%	Highest rated	9 %	
Vocational education	\$300,000	15%	Second-highest rated		
Drug courts	\$180,000	9%	Second-highest rated	24%	
Intensive supervision	\$250,000	13%	No evidence of effects	13%	
Employment services	\$100,000	5%	Not rated	54%	
All others	\$950,000	49%	Not rated		

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SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER HELP DESK:

CLEARING HOUSE DATABASE ASSISTANCE

FUNDING PROTOCOL GROUP:

- > INCREASING HIGHER EBP STANDARD FOR AGENCIES REQUESTING GRANTS
 - > INCREASE AGENCY COLLABORATION
 - > BREAK-EVEN TOOL

Legislative efforts



CSAC Domestic Violence Task Force

- Working on gathering information on DV programs
- > CSAC's role
- CSAC sponsored bill AB372Domestic Violence: Probation

CSAC-Leagues Homelessness Task Force

- Common jurisdiction goals
- > Find best practices
- Affordable housing
- Legislative fix

Using the program inventory

- Establish a baseline
- Evaluation decisions
 - O Identify programs that need evaluation
 - O Use data collection as a check on program fidelity
- Budget decisions
 - O Target resources at effective programs
 - O Use Clearinghouse Database as a menu of potential investments
- Identify program capacity issues

Services Provided by CSAC-Results First



- Train staff to use/build the program inventory
- Provide ongoing technical assistance
- Help interpret results for policymakers
- Compile and share lessons learned with other participating jurisdictions

Next Steps

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Partnership Invitation

Kick-Off

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