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Dear Criminal Justice Professionals:

Welcome to the January edition of "Evaluation News: Expanding Knowledge Through Information Exchange." The E-newsletter provides evaluation information to states on a regular basis using technology to promote information exchange and enhance capacity to access the research and evaluation community.

NATIONAL AND STATE EVALUATION NEWS

COURT PROGRAMS

The report, *The Impact of the Community Court Model on Defendant Perceptions of Fairness*, was recently published by The Center for Court Innovation. The report describes findings from a case study comparing defendant perceptions of fairness in the Red Hook Community Justice Center to a traditional criminal court.

http://www.courtinnovation.org/_uploads/documents/Procedural_Fairness.pdf.

The National Center for State Courts recently published a report, *Juvenile Domestic and Family Violence: The Effects of Court-based Intervention Programs on Recidivism*. This report presents findings of the effectiveness of the Santa Clara County and San Francisco County court-based intervention programs.

<http://www.ncjrs.gov/pdffiles1/nij/grants/216614.pdf>.

The New York City Criminal Justice Agency, Inc., has published, *An Evaluation of CJA's New Release-Recommendation System*. The research brief summarizes recent research conducted to evaluate the success of the new release-on-recognizance recommendation system for adult defendants in the New York City Criminal Courts.

<http://www.cjareports.org/reports/brief13.pdf>.

PRESCRIPTION DRUG MONITORING PROGRAMS

A recent study entitled, *An Evaluation of Prescription Drug Monitoring Programs*, was published by Simeone Associates, Inc. This report presents evidence of the effects of Prescription Drug Monitoring Programs (PDMPs) on the supply and abuse of prescription drugs.

<http://www.simeoneassociates.com/simeone3.pdf>.

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Useful resources for planning and implementing program evaluations and for developing program performance measures are available at:

The BJA Center for Program Evaluation Web Site
<http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/evaluation/index.html>

UPCOMING CONFERENCES AND TRAININGS

EASTERN EVALUATION RESEARCH SOCIETY

The Eastern Evaluation Research Society (Regional Affiliate of the American Evaluation Association) will host its 30th annual conference - *Looking Forward: Promising Advances, Persistent Challenges*, April 22-24, 2007 at the Seaview Marriott Resort and Spa located in Absecon, New Jersey. Registration forms will soon be available on their website.

<http://www.eers.org/conference.htm>.

THE NIJ CONFERENCE 2007

The National Institute of Justice (NIJ) will be hosting its annual conference July 23-25, 2007 at the Marriott Crystal Gateway in Arlington, Virginia. Visit the conference website to register.

http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/nij/events/nij_conference/welcome.html.

EVALUATION CONSULTING PROVIDED BY THE BJA CENTER FOR PROGRAM EVALUATION

During the 2006 BJA Regional Conference series, BJA Center for Program Evaluation staff provided on-site evaluation consulting services. Approximately 20 consulting sessions were held across the four regional conferences. This conference series represented the first time the BJA Center for Program Evaluation provided on-site evaluation consulting. Conference attendees who had specific questions about evaluation or performance measurement or who wanted to learn more about the BJA Center for Program Evaluation Web Site signed up at the cyber clinic table for 30 minute one-on-one consulting sessions. Staff answered questions relating to developing evaluation protocols for site visits, performance measures, program evaluation, incorporating evaluation in RFPs, implementing and sustaining community-based programs, as well as general questions about the web site and technical assistance.

Although the regional conferences are over, we are still available to answer your questions. Contact the BJA Center for Program Evaluation staff at: <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/evaluation/contact.htm>.

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