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Dear Criminal Justice Professionals:

Welcome to the May edition of "Evaluation News: Expanding Knowledge Through Information Exchange." This monthly E-newsletter contains national and state evaluation publication sources, resources, news updates, and information on upcoming conferences. 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 community.

### NATIONAL EVALUATION NEWS

BOTEC Analysis Corporation submitted a report to the U. S. Department of Justice entitled, "Boston's Comprehensive Communities Program: A Case Study." This report provides an historical context for the birth of CCP, discusses the program including its planning and organization, addresses its sustainability, discusses new developments and issues, and highlights the "synergistic effects" of the CCP program. The report is available on-line at: <<http://www.ncjrs.org/pdffiles1/nij/grants/204680.pdf>>  
Received (March 2004)

The National Consortium for Justice and Statistics, has updated/re-issued a September 2003 report entitled, "Measuring the Success of Integrated Justice: A Practical Approach." This report explains how justice integration can be defined and how performance measures can be used to demonstrate its success. The report is available on-line at: <<http://www.search.org/publications/pdffiles/PerformanceMeasures.pdf>>  
Updated/Re-issued (2004)

The Urban Institute submitted a research report to the U. S. Department of Justice entitled, "Evaluation of Breaking the Cycle." Information concerning program implementation, program impact, and cost benefits are presented. The BTC program was conducted in Birmingham, Alabama, Jacksonville, Florida, and Tacoma Washington, between 1997 and 2001. The full report is available on-line at: <<http://www.ncjrs.org/pdffiles1/nij/grants/205002.pdf>>  
Received (April 2004)

*Has your state published recent evaluation reports? Contact Veronica Puryear to insure your work is included in a future edition of Evaluation News!*

**STATE EVALUATION NEWS**

The Justice Research Center, Inc. and The DJJ Bureau of Data and Research submitted a " 2004 Outcome Evaluation Report " to The Florida Department of Juvenile Justice. The research report provides data concerning the outputs and outcomes of juvenile justice programs in Florida. Program outcomes focus on the recidivism rate for youth released. Program outputs such as average length of stay, escapes and program completions, are also reported. The complete report is available on-line at:

<[http://www.djj.state.fl.us/djj/research/statsnresearch/mr/2004\\_mr/2004\\_oe\\_report/2004\\_oe\\_report\\_final\\_3-8-04.pdf](http://www.djj.state.fl.us/djj/research/statsnresearch/mr/2004_mr/2004_oe_report/2004_oe_report_final_3-8-04.pdf)>  
(February 2004)

The Justice Research Center, Inc. and The Florida Department of Juvenile Justice have completed a report entitled, "The 2004 PAM Report: A Two-Year Analysis." The Program Accountability Measures Report provides a comparison of the relative cost and effectiveness of programs that provide supervision, care, custody, and treatment for youth committed to the Florida Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ). The complete report is available on-line at:

<[http://www.djj.state.fl.us/djj/research/statsnresearch/mr/2004\\_mr/2004\\_program\\_accountability\\_measures\\_PAM\\_report.pdf](http://www.djj.state.fl.us/djj/research/statsnresearch/mr/2004_mr/2004_program_accountability_measures_PAM_report.pdf)>  
(December 2003)

The Center for Criminal Justice Research in Cincinnati, Ohio submitted a final report to the Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services entitled, "Evaluation of Cognitive-Behavioral Programs for Offenders: A Look at Outcome and Responsivity in Five Treatment Programs." The research used a quasi-experimental design to evaluate the effectiveness of cognitive-behavioral programs implemented in five treatment sites in southwestern Ohio. Two treatment sites served women, two served men, and the remaining treatment site served juveniles. The full report is available on-line at:

<<http://www2.uc.edu/criminaljustice/Project%20Reports/CogEvaluationFINAL%20REPORT.pdf>>  
(January 2004)

The Center for Criminal Justice Research in Cincinnati, Ohio has published a report entitled, "Mobile Crisis Team/Police Collaboration Evaluation." This research uses quantitative and qualitative methods to evaluate the collaborative efforts of the local mental health system and police for handling cases involving mentally disordered citizens. The full report is available on-line at:

<<http://www2.uc.edu/criminaljustice/Project%20Reports/MCT%20Report.pdf>>  
(January 2004)

**UPCOMING CONFERENCES**

The National Institute of Justice (NIJ) Annual Conference on Criminal Justice Research and Evaluation will be held Monday, July 19th, 2004 through Wednesday, July 21st, 2004 at the J. W. Marriott Hotel in Washington, DC. For more information, visit: <<http://www.nijpcs.org/RE/index.htm>>

The Evaluators' Institute will be hosting courses on the basic foundations of evaluation practice, different approaches to evaluation and more from Monday, July 19th, 2004 through Friday, July 30th, 2004. Courses will be held at the Washington Marriott Hotel and George Washington University. For more information, visit: <<http://www.evaluatorsinstitute.com/>>

**UPCOMING CONFERENCES CONTINUED**

The National Drug Court Institute will be hosting its 2004 Comprehensive Drug Court Practitioner Training Series. Examples of trainings being offered are the Regional Evaluation Trainings being held October 1-2, 2004 in Las Vegas, NV and November 12-13, 2004 in Dallas, TX. For more information, visit: [http://www.ndci.org/training\\_schedule03.htm](http://www.ndci.org/training_schedule03.htm)

**FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES**

The National Institute of Justice (NIJ) is seeking proposals to conduct research and evaluation relevant to State and/or local criminal and juvenile justice policy and practice in areas such as policing, community crime prevention, justice system improvements, corrections, and alcohol- and drug-related crime. The deadline is September 28, 2004. For complete details see: <http://www.ncjrs.org/pdffiles1/nij/sl000663.pdf>

**RESOURCES**

For more information about evaluation visit: <http://www.bja.evaluationwebsite.org/index.html>

"The Community Health Worker Evaluation Tool Kit," a project of the University of Arizona, Rural Health Office and College of Public Health, can be accessed at: <http://www.publichealth.arizona.edu/chwtoolkit/PDFs/Evalua/evalua.pdf>

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