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Dear Criminal Justice Professionals:

Welcome to the October 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.

NEW PROGRAM AREA FOR THE BJA CENTER FOR PROGRAM EVALUATION WEB SITE

VICTIM SERVICES PROGRAMS

The Center for Program Evaluation has added a new program area on Victim Services Programs (VSPs). The program area describes VSPs, provides examples of victim services performance measures, and includes evaluations and other relevant victim services reports.

http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/evaluation/psi_vsp/index.htm.

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DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROGRAMS

BOTEC Analysis Corporation has published a report entitled, *A Longitudinal Study of a Cohort of Batterers Arraigned in a Massachusetts District Court 1995 to 2004*. The report presents results from a study of the longitudinal relationship between a judicial domestic violence program and the desistance of crime by men arrested for domestic violence.

<http://www.ncjrs.gov/pdffiles1/nij/grants/215346.pdf>.

The Urban Institute recently published, *The Evaluation of Milwaukee's Judicial Oversight Demonstration*. This report presents implementation and impact findings from an evaluation of the Judicial Oversight Program which was designed to implement and test model responses to intimate partner violence.

<http://www.ncjrs.gov/pdffiles1/nij/grants/215349.pdf>.

To be removed from this list, send a reply with your email address in the subject line.

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>

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REENTRY

Early Lessons from the Ready4Work Prisoner Reentry Initiative has been published by Public/Private Ventures. This report shares early promising practices of the program that is designed to link returning prisoners to organizations providing effective case management, mentoring, and job training and placement.

http://www.ppv.org/ppv/publications/assets/198_publication.pdf.

The Urban Institute has published a research brief, *Cleveland Prisoner's Experiences Returning Home*. This research brief presents results comparing findings of Ohio prisoner's prerelease experiences with their experiences after release.

http://www.urban.org/UploadedPDF/311359_cleveland_prisoners.pdf.

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THE BJA REGIONAL CONFERENCE SERIES

The Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) will host four conferences for its 2006 Regional Conference Series. The first conference will be held for the South Region and is scheduled for November 27-29, 2006 in Nashville, Tennessee. Information concerning the conferences is available at the National Criminal Justice Association (NCJA) web site.

http://www.ncja.org/AM/Template.cfm?Section=BJA_Regional_Conference_Series.

THE AMERICAN EVALUATION ASSOCIATION (AEA)

The AEA annual conference, *Evaluation 2006: The Consequences of Evaluation* will be held November 1-4, 2006 in Portland, Oregon. Professional development workshops will also be available.

<http://www.eval.org/eval2006/>.

THE OFFICE FOR VICTIMS OF CRIME (OVC)

The OVC Fall/Winter 2006 Training Calendar includes information concerning a special training workshop entitled, *Program Evaluation*, that will be held in Nashville, Tennessee, November 7-8, 2006. More information is available by accessing the Fall/Winter Training Schedule.

<http://www.ovcttac.org/calendar/training.cfm>.

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