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Grantee Spotlight: Convening County, Court & Justice Leaders: A Framework for Cross-System Collaboration Initiative



In January 2022, the [National Association of Counties](#), [Rulo Strategies](#), and [Praxis Consulting](#) launched a new initiative to support justice-oriented strategic planning co-led by judges and elected county leaders. This timely project leveraged the renewed interest many courts have, coming out of the pandemic, in partnering with local stakeholders to expand the resources available to the courts. Ten diverse local and regional sites served as pilots. Some sites aligned their work under an existing planning group... [Read more](#)

In the News

Judicial Task Force Releases Final Report on State Courts' Response to Mental Illness

Funded by [State Justice Insititute](#), the Judicial Task Force releases the [final report](#) from the [National Judicial Task Force to Examine State Courts' Response to Mental Illness](#).

Continued collaboration between the courts, government agencies, mental health providers and others is critical to affect the systemic change needed to improve how courts respond to individuals with serious mental illness. That was the message echoed during Tuesday's release of the final report from the National Judicial Task Force to Examine State Courts' Response to Mental Illness. The virtual event drew about 900 participants, including court officials, behavioral health professionals, and members of the news media...

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New Toolkit Provides Guidance for Adopting Pandemic Era Procedural

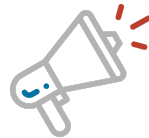
Improvements

During the pandemic, courts stepped out of their normal routine and comfort zones to find new ways of doing business. These new procedures benefitted both courts and court customers. The [National Center for State Courts](#) (NCSC)'s new [Pandemic Era Procedural Improvements toolkit](#) outlines tips and examples that your court can adopt to enhance operations in the post-pandemic era. This toolkit contains a high-level summary of procedural improvements that courts implemented between 2020 and 2022 that courts should adopt permanently... [Read more](#)

Announcements



Upcoming Webinar! The [National Center for State Courts](#) (NCSC) will be hosting: *Recipe for Strong Court Workforce* on December 13th, 2022, at 3:00PM EST. What makes a successful employee engagement strategy for state and local courts? How do you learn how to implement those core elements of success into your business? Not only has the pandemic required a re-examination of roles in court workforces, it also demands a continued re-examination of how courts attract and retain their workforce. Register [here](#).



Upcoming Webinar! The [National Center for State Courts](#) (NCSC) will be hosting: *What to Expect from the Industry, and What the Industry Expects from You* on November 14th, 2022, at 3:00PM EST. How can a court tell that their solution provider can meet and is meeting the terms of the agreement? Are there standards and templates for these agreements? In this webinar, you will hear from industry professionals as they address what courts should expect from solution providers. In addition, you will learn what solution providers are expecting of their customers. Register [here](#).



Upcoming Webinar! Hosted by [SAMHSA's](#) GAINS Center on Monday, November 21st, 2022, from 2:30-4:00PM EST. *Black Robes and White Coats: Using Project ECHO to Increase Judiciary Knowledge about Substance Use Disorder*. High rates of substance use and overdoses



November is [National Veterans and Military Families Month](#). This month, our Nation honors the strength and sacrifices of the families, caregivers, and survivors of our veterans and our current service members. SJI is proud to

among people interfacing with the criminal justice system have highlighted a need for judges to be more informed and aware of substance use disorders and optimal treatment approaches. Register [here](#).

support this, as it is one of our [Priority Investment Areas](#). To read about our Military Families in Juvenile and Family Courts project with the [National Council for Juvenile and Family Court Judges](#) (NCJFCJ), please visit [here](#).

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