State EBDM Team Change Targets

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Professional Development/Training

Provide specialized training for professionals throughout the criminal justice system on risk reduction principles and practices (i.e., empirically-demonstrated strategies for increasing community safety).

Develop Model Policies/Practices

Beginning with law enforcement and ultimately expanding to include all criminal justice stakeholder groups (e.g., prosecutors, defense counsel, judges, corrections professionals):

- o articulate principles for evidence-based conduct/practice ("the golden rules"),
- o examine training standards, and establish consistent training protocols,
- identify best practices and establish standardized criteria to promote consistent, fair, and equitable decision-making,
- identify expectations in terms of services provided by each stakeholder group at each decision point,
- identify methods to incentivize departments to implement evidence-based practices, and
- establish model protocols to improve responses to victims.

System-wide Collaboration

Improve collaboration among criminal justice system partners, including increased communication and coordination between the State CJCC and local CJCCs, encouraging the establishment of local CJCCs where not already in place, enhancing participation of key stakeholders including but not limited to local law enforcement, and building stronger relationships between state and local criminal justice policymakers and professionals and the broader Wisconsin community through public outreach efforts.

Application of System-wide Risk Assessment Tools and Evidence-Based Processes

Implement the use of empirically-based assessment tools across decision points, beginning with the use of risk assessment tools to inform pretrial release and supervision determinations, revising the current cash bail system, and reviewing/revising current statutory language regarding preventive detention.

Diversion/Enhance Behavioral Change Interventions

Establish a model continuum of evidence-based diversion and behavioral change interventions across the justice system decision points and increase the capacity for implementation of these evidence-based interventions throughout Wisconsin's local communities.

Violations

Implement a statewide, evidence-based violation response matrix to promote consistency in responses to violations across decision points, improve the timeliness of violation investigations and, where appropriate, revocation proceedings at both the state and local levels.

Data and Research

The collection of data and conduct of research on the identified change targets will be a key component of the work in each area.