



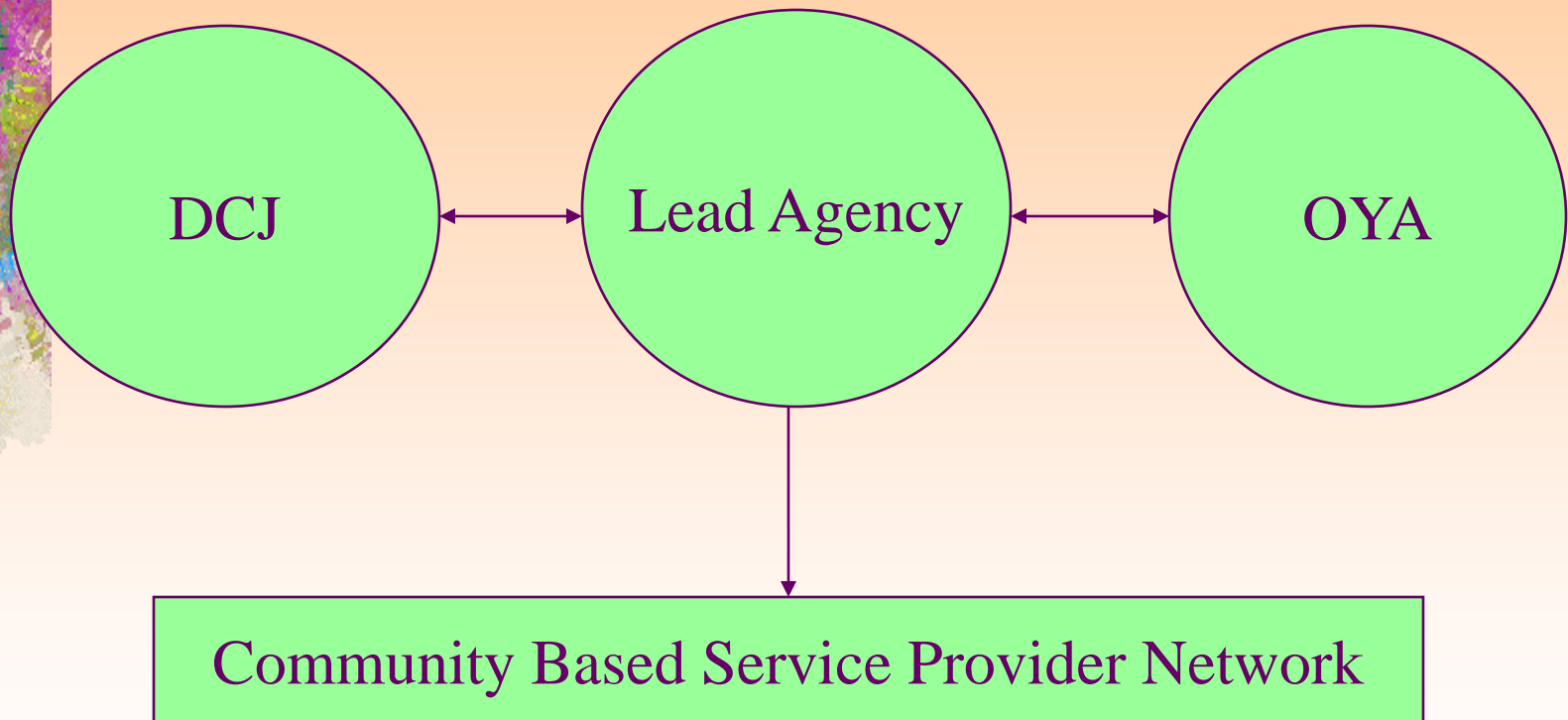
Communities of Color Partnership



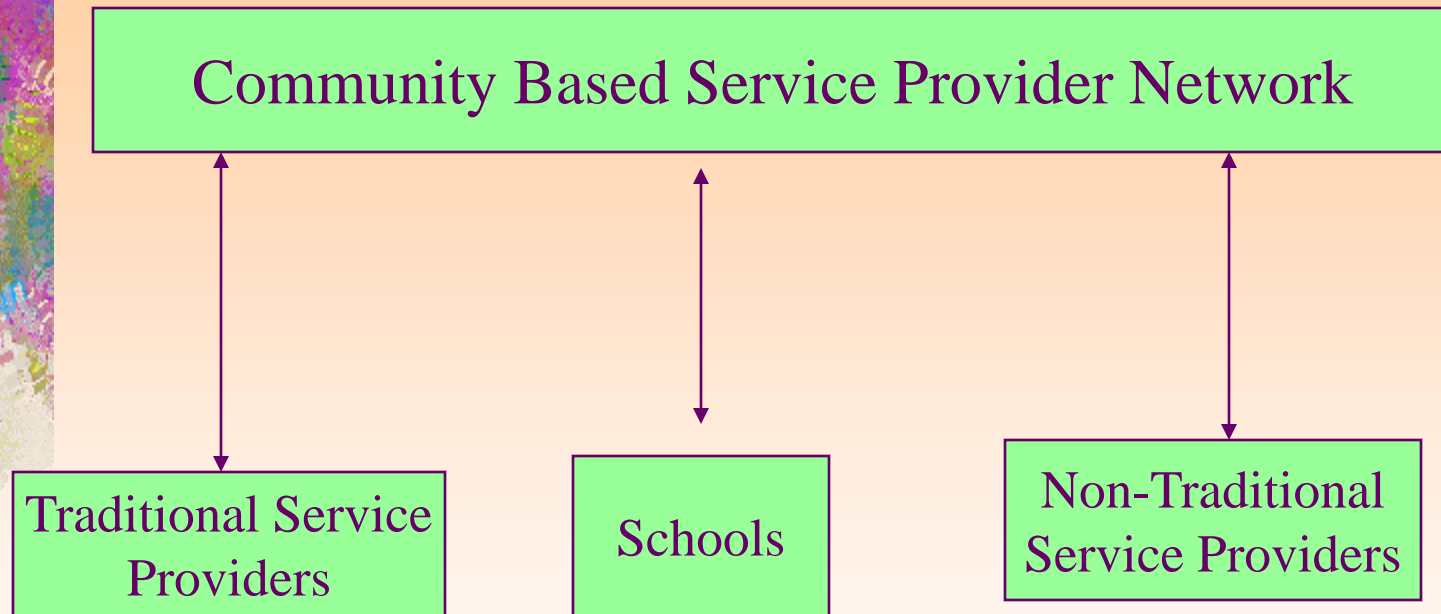
What is the Communities of Color Partnership?

- Partnership and collaboration between Multnomah County, OYA and community-based organizations.
- Services focused in communities of color.

Communities of Color Model

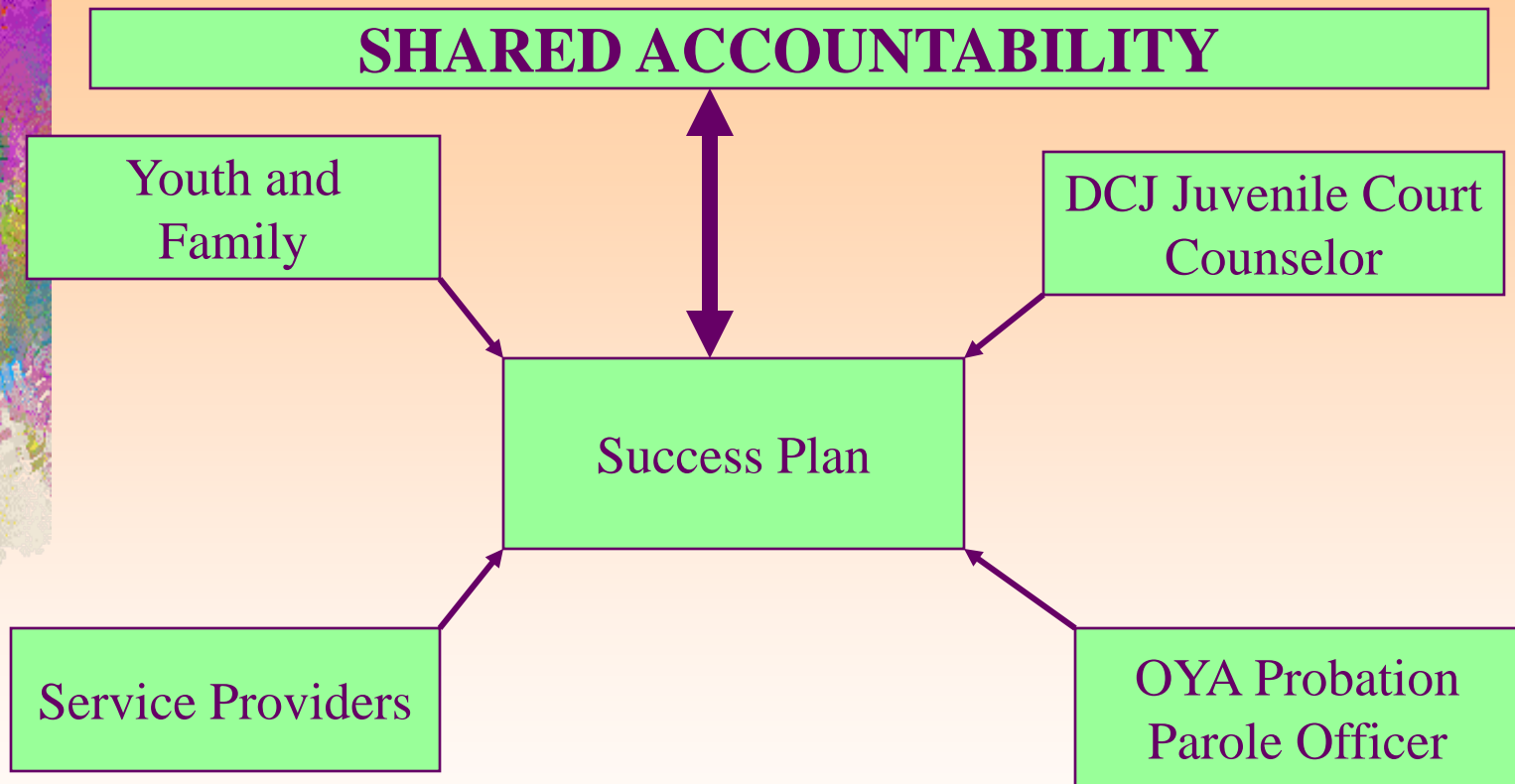


Communities of Color Model



Variety of providers may be utilized in this model; services are based on the needs of the youth and his/her family in addition to the needs of the system;

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Service plans are developed from a strength-based value perspective.



Target Population

- High risk Youth of Color (African-American, Latino, SE Asian/Pacific Islander, Native American youth)
- Ages 12 - 18
- Probation (DCJ), Probation and Parole (OYA) and Parolees from OYA facilities



What are the goals of this partnership?

- Decrease commitment of youth of color to OYA facilities;
- Increase public safety through decrease in serious delinquency;
- Help youth create a healthy identity, connect to the community, family and peers, and make amends to victims and the community for any harm they may have done.



What makes this partnership unique?

- Service delivery is culturally appropriate.
- Service providers are community-based and are involved in case planning at the earliest point, after adjudication.
- Services are strength-based and family-centered.
- Youth and family are valued and involved in building an effective service plan.



What makes this partnership unique?

- Community providers are accepted for their ability to provide traditional and non-traditional services.
- Accountability is shared across multiple organizations representing government, non-profits, faith community and individual service providers.