

Pierce County Juvenile Court African American Youth DMC Reduction – March 2010

Detained Youth Measure	2007		2009	
	#	%	#	%
AA youth Detention Admits	887	31.1	652	30.5
AA youth Bednights	9094	34.6	5643	33.3

Reduction Strategy/ Action Steps	Goal	Baseline Data (2007)	Current Data (2009)	Next Review
<b>1. Failure to Appear (FTA) Reduction</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Phone &amp; In-Person Notification (Enhanced Oct. 08)</li> <li>Two-Tier Warrant Process</li> <li>Bench Warrant Quash Program (Started Oct. 09)</li> </ul>	Increase attendance at court hearings to reduce detention admissions & LOS	Admissions – 130 % Admission – 28.8% Bednights – 903 % Bednights – 20.0%	Admissions – 74 % Admission – 24.9% Bednights – 352 % Bednights – 27.4%	Quarterly
<b>2. Reduce Violation Detention Episodes</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Standardize sanctions with supervisor staffings &amp; implement a staffing guide</li> <li>Utilize ATDs in lieu of detention</li> <li>New procedures for failure to reside</li> </ul>	Reduce detention admissions & LOS for violations	Admissions – 95 % Admission – 33.5% Bednights – 918 % Bednights – 29.1%	Admissions – 60 % Admission – 31.6% Bednights – 352 % Bednights – 27.4%	August 2010 and December 2011
<b>3. Reduce Parent Refusal Detention Overrides</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Survey why parents refuse to accept custody</li> <li>Teach Detention staff effective methods to engage parents</li> <li>Develop alternatives in the community</li> </ul>	Reduce the number of youth detained due to parents refusing to accept custody who are eligible for release	Admissions – 183 % Admission – 34.6% Bednights – 549 % Bednights – 24.0%	Admissions – 178 % Admission – 27.0% Bednights – 640 % Bednights – 33.0%	July 2010
<b>4. Increase the number of African American youth to successfully complete FFT</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Specialized FFT caseload for African American youth</li> <li>Enhance culturally competent instruction</li> </ul>	Increase the number of AA youth served and successfully complete FFT	AA Youth Served – 54 # Completed – 27 % Completed – 66% # In/Out – 13 % In/Out – 24%	AA Youth Served – 94 # Completed – 29 % Completed – 58% # In/Out – 23 % In/Out – 24%	January 2011
<b>5. Increase the number of African American youth to successfully complete ART</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reduce the barriers to participation (i.e. provide transportation, increase motivation of youth)</li> <li>Increase the referral and retention rate</li> </ul>	Increase the number of AA youth served and successfully complete ART	AA Youth Served – 36 # Completed – 23 % Completed – 64%	AA Youth Served – 76 # Completed – 61 % Completed – 80%	January 2011
<b>6. Increase usage of Alternatives to Detention</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CDET, EHM, ERC's, Weekend AD</li> </ul>	Increase the number of AA youth served and successfully complete ADS	AA Youth Served – 402 # Completed – 281 % Completed – 70%	AA Youth Served – 285 # Completed – 217 % Completed – 76%	January 2011