JCP Risk Assessment 2006.1

Frequently Asked Questions

How does the Reassessment differ from the Reassessment for Youth in JCP Prevention Program?
The primary difference is that the Reassessment is designed to serve as a risk to re-offend tool (that is, to provide a score/measure of a youth’s risk to offend, which provides a guideline for the appropriate level of supervision a youth may need), whereas the Reassessment for Youth in JCP Program was designed to evaluate the impact of JCP Prevention services on the youth’s behavior.

When should the Reassessment be used?
The use of the risk reassessment will be a local decision; however, appropriate uses of the risk reassessment include:

1. when the youth has a new referral to a juvenile department,
2. when the youth has completed most of the case plan objectives, and/or
3. if local policy requires a risk reassessment at specified time periods.

How should the Reassessment be used?
The Reassessment is designed to be used to:

4. determine on-going level of supervision, and
5. monitor and update the case/service plan.

How do I know which assessment for a youth to use (build and base on) if there are multiple assessments for the youth already?

A: As a general rule, select the most recent one unless it was completed within the past month. If the most recent prior assessment was less than 30 days ago, it may be more appropriate to select an earlier assessment. However you should check with your local department policy. Note: If another county completed the assessment immediately prior to this assessment, and your department’s policy is to use only in-county assessments, you should select the most recent in-county assessment.

What is meant by “violation of technical terms of probation?”
Violations of technical terms of probation can be defined as violations that do not involve breaking the law, such as following parental rules, paying probation fees, attending school, attending treatment groups, and status offenses (curfew, truancy, running away).

How do I find the youth’s criminal referral history?
JJIS will automatically provide you with the youth’s most serious crime since their last assessment.

I’m working on the risk reassessment, but notice there is no subsequent referral for the youth. What happened?
First, you should check to make sure you appropriately linked the reassessment to a prior assessment. If you did, and the subsequent referral section is blank, then there is no subsequent referral for the youth.