



Governor's Re-entry Council, Steering Committee Minutes – Meeting #11 – April 1, 2009

Steering Committee Members Attending: Cindy D. Booth, Martin Burrows, Mark Cadotte, Ron Chase, Ginger Martin, Jerry Moore, Mark Royal, Nancy Sellers, Heidi Steward, Patrick Vance

Guests: Chase Tedrow, Robyn Cole, Patty Katz, Paul Solomon, Sue Blayre, Kimberly Allain

Item	Discussion	Action
Welcome and Introductions		
Review of Minutes from the February 4, 2009 Meeting		Copies were distributed for review. Members are asked to send corrections/revisions to Denise Taylor.
Announcements and Updates from Members	<p>Ginger Martin asked members to share those items that are being worked on in relation to re-entry outside the priorities of the steering committee and workgroups.</p> <p>Ron Chase invited everyone to attend the groundbreaking ceremony for the Sponsors, Inc. new facility, which will be held on May 30, 2009 in Eugene. Sponsors, Inc. received a grant (or was it a tax credit?) from the Department of Housing and Community Services to construct the 72 bed facility. This new facility will put greatly enhance the services provided to those needing a hand.</p> <p>Heidi Steward reported that the first session of the DMV/DOC pilot project to get State Identification Cards to inmates preparing to release was a total success. All 5 inmates taken to the DMV office with their required documents were issued ID cards. The next session is in 2 weeks. It is a small, but successful start. Ms. Steward also reported that a Memo of Understanding has been signed by the Department of Corrections and the Social Security Administration, which should facilitate inmates being issued Social Security Cards more easily.</p>	

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	<p>Ms. Steward reports the inmate subsidy funds have all been spent. There will be no more until July 1st when the 09-11 biennium begins.</p> <p>Mark Royal said the 42 bed transitional housing facility in Malheur County has closed due to lack of funding. The transition center serving Morrow/Umatilla Counties has also closed.</p> <p>Sue Blayre reported that the Marion County Re-entry Initiative has opened an 11 bed transition house.</p> <p>Martin Burrows reports that stimulus money is coming from the federal government, although the exact amount is unknown. The Employment Department is developing plans to determine how to spend the money throughout the 15 workforce regions.</p> <p>Chase Tedrow briefly mentioned HB 2489, HB 2490, HB 2623 and SB 385. These bills are all pertinent to issues the Council supports. Most are being addressed and processes and procedures are being developed by DOC.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ HB 2489 directs the DOC and DMV to work together to facilitate drivers licenses and ID cards being issued to inmates prior to release. This bill will put into law a practice DOC and DMV have been working on for some time, as evidenced by the pilot reported by Ms. Steward. ▪ HB 2490 requires the DOC to provide job skills, education and work history verification to inmates at release. DOC is currently working to accomplish this through work begun by the Employment Workgroup. ▪ HB 2623 authorizes DOC to grant a 60 day reduction in sentence for inmates who complete an educational program. ▪ SB 385 Creates pilot grant program for county resource centers for post-prison treatment services. 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Review Workgroup Purpose Statements, Goal and Action Plans ▪ Housing 	<p>Ms. Martin said when first established, the four workgroups discussed goals and strategies and identified 16 areas to address. Selecting which issues will have the greatest impact was the next step. The Housing Workgroup Work Plan Highlights are attached.</p> <p>Discussion included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Suggestion to arrange for a landlord with a positive history of renting to transitioning people to speak to the landlord association; Mr. Chase knows a landlord who is very knowledgeable in this area and has a history of renting to former inmates. ▪ Chief Moore reported that twice each year the Salem Police Department hosts a training for landlords 	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Transition Service Centers 	<p>services inside prisons.</p> <p>Ms. Martin suggested that goals 1-3 are all discharge planning issues and can be assigned to the same implementation group. Discussion of advocacy in the community led to the recommendation of establishing an implementation group for this goal. It was determined that Goal #6 regarding dental treatment is not ready for an implementation group, but rather needs a new workgroup with members with more dental expertise.</p> <p>Kimberly Allain reviewed the Work Plan Highlights of this workgroup. (Attached) Ms. Allain stressed the importance of conducting the survey in Goal #5 as the first step in the next process. Conducting the survey and carefully evaluating the responses will yield the most useful information and support from other agencies.</p> <p>Ms. Martin said the Council had asked that the Steering Committee research what services are available and where they are offered. The survey will provide the answer to the Council. Ms. Steward suggested that it is appropriate to sunset the Transition Service Center Workgroup at this time and establish an implementation group to develop and conduct the survey. There was consensus by the committee members present that moving to the implementation stage is the reasonable next step.</p>	<p>DOC will develop and conduct the survey recommended by the workgroup.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Role of Steering Committee: General Discussion 	<p>This agenda item was moved to the next meeting, due to time constraints.</p>	
<p>Next Steps</p>	<p>The Housing Workgroup recommendation was approved by the Council and is ready for implementation.</p> <p>The Employment Workgroup will send the certification and verification of skills issues to the implementation stage. The WorkSource Oregon goal will also move to an implementation group.</p> <p>The Continuity of Care Workgroup has addressed goals 1 – 4 with that work ongoing. The multifaceted issue of advocacy will be addressed through an implementation group and the dental issue requires a workgroup comprised of members with varied dental expertise</p> <p>The Transition Service Center Workgroup will sunset and the concept of the survey followed by a data analysis team will move to an implementation group.</p>	<p>Explore funding opportunities for implementation.</p> <p>Establish and populate the WorkSource Oregon implementation group.</p> <p>Establish and populate an implementation group to address advocacy in the continuity of care.</p> <p>Establish and populate a new workgroup to Address dental needs.</p>
<p>Next Meeting</p>	<p>The next meeting will be May 6, 2009.</p>	

House Bill 2490

Sponsored by Representative CAMERON; Representative SHIELDS

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Requires Department of Corrections to provide certain documentation to inmate upon release from prison.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to the Department of Corrections; amending ORS 421.125.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

SECTION 1. ORS 421.125 is amended to read:

421.125. (1) Upon the discharge or parole of *[any]* **an** inmate from the Department of Corrections, the department shall:

(a) *[see]* **Ensure** that *[such]* **the** discharged or paroled inmate is properly clothed; **and**

(b) **Provide the discharged or paroled inmate with the following documents:**

(A) **Verification of the inmate's work history while in the custody of the department.**

(B) **Certification of any educational programs completed by the inmate while in the custody of the department.**

(C) **Certification of any treatment programs completed by the inmate while in the custody of the department.**

(2) It is the responsibility of every inmate of the Department of Corrections, during the inmate's term of imprisonment, to accumulate funds in anticipation of parole, discharge or other authorized prerelease and for the purposes set out in this subsection. The Department of Corrections shall adopt rules to:

(a) Safeguard inmate moneys, whether such moneys are from earnings of the inmate while in a Department of Corrections facility, or from other sources, and to provide for disbursement of such moneys to the inmate following the inmate's release from imprisonment;

(b) Establish, within appropriations provided for this purpose, a program of release funds to be provided for those inmates who have not been able to accumulate sufficient moneys to accommodate their release needs;

(c) Assess fees to the inmate for self-improvement programs, services and assistance provided by the department when the inmate has moneys to pay for such programs, services and assistance;

(d) Permit inmates to purchase elective programs, services or assistance which are approved by, but are not provided by, the department; and

(e) Assess the inmate for damages or destruction caused by willful misconduct of the inmate.

(3) An inmate sentenced to the custody of the Department of Corrections by an Oregon court is eligible to apply for release funds for a period up to 90 days following the release of the inmate from the Department of Corrections facility by parole or discharge, including a release to the legal

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1 custody of another authority in this state. However, inmates eligible to apply for release funds do
2 not include inmates released to the legal custody of another authority in this state for ultimate
3 transfer to the custody of a law enforcement or corrections agency in another state. An inmate re-
4 leased to the legal custody of another authority in this state is not eligible to apply for release funds
5 so long as the person is imprisoned under such authority.

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House Bill 2489

Sponsored by Representatives CAMERON, SHIELDS; Representative BARKER

SUMMARY

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Directs Department of Transportation to work with Department of Corrections to assist offenders in obtaining driver license or identification card prior to release from Department of Corrections institution.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to documents issued by the Department of Transportation.

3 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

4 **SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2009 Act is added to and made a part of the Oregon Vehicle**
5 **Code.**

6 **SECTION 2. The Department of Transportation and the Department of Corrections**
7 **jointly shall adopt rules and enter into interagency agreements necessary to assist offenders**
8 **in obtaining a driver license or identification card prior to an offender's release from a De-**
9 **partment of Corrections institution.**

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A-Engrossed
House Bill 2623

Ordered by the House March 26
Including House Amendments dated March 26

Sponsored by Representative CAMERON; Representatives BARKER, GREENLICK, SHIELDS

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure.

Authorizes Department of Corrections to grant 60-day reduction in term of incarceration to inmates who successfully complete educational program.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to prison education programs; creating new provisions; and amending ORS 421.121.

3 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

4 **SECTION 1.** ORS 421.121 is amended to read:

5 421.121. (1) Except as provided in ORS 137.635, each inmate sentenced to the custody of the
6 Department of Corrections for felonies committed on or after November 1, 1989, is eligible for a
7 reduction in the term of incarceration for:

8 (a) Appropriate institutional behavior, as defined by rule of the Department of Corrections[, *and*
9 *for*]; **and**

10 (b)(A) Participation in the adult basic skills development program described in ORS 421.084;
11 **or**

12 **(B) Obtaining a high school diploma, General Educational Development (GED) certificate**
13 **or a certificate or degree from a post-secondary education institution as defined in ORS**
14 **337.511. The reduction described in this subparagraph may not exceed a period of 60 days.**

15 (2) The maximum amount of time credits earned for appropriate institutional behavior, [*or*] for
16 participation in the adult basic skills development program described in ORS 421.084 **or for ob-**
17 **taining a diploma, certificate or degree described in subsection (1)(b)(B) of this section** may
18 not exceed 20 percent of the total term of incarceration in a Department of Corrections institution.

19 (3) The time credits may not be used to shorten the term of actual prison confinement to less
20 than six months.

21 (4) The department shall adopt rules pursuant to the rulemaking provisions of ORS chapter 183
22 to establish a process for granting, retracting and restoring the time credits earned by the offender
23 as allowed in subsections (1) to (3) of this section.

24 **SECTION 2. The amendments to ORS 421.121 by section 1 of this 2009 Act apply to eligible**
25 **inmates who obtain a diploma, certificate or degree described in ORS 421.121 (1)(b)(B) on or**
26 **after the effective date of this 2009 Act.**

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Senate Bill 385

Sponsored by COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY (at the request of Ross Shepard)

SUMMARY

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Creates pilot grant program for county resource centers for post-prison treatment services.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1 Relating to treatment services.

2 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

3 **SECTION 1. (1) As used in this section:**

4 (a) **"Drug-addicted person" has the meaning given that term in section 8, chapter 35,**
5 **Oregon Laws 2008.**

6 (b) **"Participating county" means Multnomah, Marion, Lane and Jackson Counties and**
7 **one county in eastern Oregon to be designated by the Director of the Department of Cor-**
8 **rections.**

9 (2) **Pursuant to section 8, chapter 14, Oregon Laws 2008, the Department of Corrections**
10 **shall develop and administer a pilot grant program to provide supplemental funding to par-**
11 **ticipating counties for appropriate treatment services for drug-addicted persons on pro-**
12 **bation, parole or post-prison supervision.**

13 (3) **The Department of Corrections shall make grants under the pilot program to the**
14 **department of each participating county that provides health services related to drug ad-**
15 **dition.**

16 (4)(a) **Each participating county shall use the grant moneys to fund a resource center.**

17 (b) **Except as provided in paragraph (c) of this subsection, each resource center shall**
18 **provide services to drug-addicted persons on probation, parole or post-prison supervision**
19 **whose residences are in the participating county.**

20 (c) **The resource center in eastern Oregon shall function as a regional office for an area**
21 **to be determined by the Department of Corrections and shall provide services to drug-**
22 **addicted persons on probation, parole or post-prison supervision whose residences are in that**
23 **region.**

24 (5) **The Department of Corrections shall adopt rules to carry out the provisions of this**
25 **section.**

26 (6)(a) **A public or private entity may apply to a participating county to qualify as a re-**
27 **source center.**

28 (b) **To qualify as a resource center, a public or private entity must demonstrate a current**
29 **or future ability to provide, at an easily accessible location or by streamlined referral, as-**
30 **sistance to drug-addicted persons on probation, parole or post-prison supervision in the fol-**
31 **lowing areas:**
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- 1 (A) Alcohol and drug assessment and treatment;
- 2 (B) Assessment and planning;
- 3 (C) Food and clothing;
- 4 (D) Housing;
- 5 (E) Employment;
- 6 (F) State identification;
- 7 (G) Transportation;
- 8 (H) Benefits application;
- 9 (I) Parole and probation officer contact;
- 10 (J) Family and community support;
- 11 (K) Physical, dental and mental health evaluations and referral;
- 12 (L) Cognitive behavioral therapy;
- 13 (M) Financial and computer literacy;
- 14 (N) Referral for faith-based mentoring; and
- 15 (O) Legal consultation.

16 (7) The Department of Corrections shall develop a case management protocol to be fol-
17 lowed by the staff of the resource centers.

18 (8) At least 90 days prior to the release of a drug-addicted person with a residence in one
19 of the participating counties or the eastern region, the Department of Corrections shall:

20 (a) Forward to the appropriate resource center a checklist of the person's needs, as de-
21 termined by the Department of Corrections and the person in consultation; and

22 (b) Facilitate contact by telephone between the person and the resource center.

23 (9) A resource center is a criminal justice agency for purposes of access to criminal
24 offender information pursuant to ORS 181.555.

25 (10) The department of the participating county responsible for funding the resource
26 center shall encourage collaboration between the resource center and sheriffs, district at-
27 torneys, public defenders, the supervisory authority and circuit courts.

28 (11) No action may be taken by the Department of Corrections, any participating county
29 or a resource center that would impede or disqualify active partnership between a resource
30 center and United States district courts or the Federal Bureau of Prisons.

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GOVERNOR'S RE-ENTRY HOUSING WORKGROUP WORK PLAN HIGHLIGHTS – 2009

Completed Current Charter Objectives:

- Analyzed level one housing for youth and adults and level two housing for adults to determine where similar programs and practices exist successfully today
- Identified barriers to each type of housing, including state and local policies, resources and state or federal law # |
- Identified those system improvements that can be accomplished by January 2009
- Reported on progress at each regular Council meeting

Formal Recommendation:

A formal recommendation was presented to the Steering Committee and Council. The recommendation was developed to ensure transitional housing is available for every offender released from DOC custody without a stable, alcohol and drug-free residence. The recommendation was accepted by the Steering Committee and the Council and funding sources are being explored for pilot sites.

Goals and Objectives:

The Housing Workgroup proposed the following charter modifications which were accepted by the Steering Committee and Council.

- Identify and recommend a vision and strategies that lead to improved housing success for those re-entering the community post-incarceration
- Identify and recommend housing strategy implementation plan performance goals, measurements, funding options and systems improvements
- Recommend a communication process for stakeholder information-sharing and feedback opportunities to ensure on-going process improvements in re-entry housing options



GOVERNOR'S REENTRY EMPLOYMENT WORKGROUP WORK PLAN HIGHLIGHTS – 2009

Work Group PURPOSE/VISION Statement: (Developed 1/6/2009)

Improve the statewide employment and retention rates of offenders by focusing on policies, laws, practices and perceptions that contribute to the success of returnees.

Prioritized Goals: (Developed 2/2/2009)

Goal 1: Improve the marketing of returnees to employers, statewide.

Goal 2: Increase returnee employability by improving, verifying and certifying technical/work skills, and soft skills.

Goal 3: Returnees are prepared to compete for and retain living wage jobs.

Goal 4: Increase access to Work Source Oregon Center resources inside and outside institutions.

Goal 5: Improve coordination and collaboration with community-based and justice agencies and employers, to improve information-sharing, resources, and responsibilities, and to address barriers.

Additional Goals:

- Develop performance measurement tools and information on employment success.
- Address employment early in the case management process.
- Use evidence-based practices to prioritize employment services to offenders, and access to employment programming by offenders.
- Develop practices and policies for participation in institution programs (training, employment, and education) that mimic outside work-place environments.

Objectives: (Developed 3/2/2009)

1. Improve the marketing of returnees to employers, statewide.

• Objectives:

- Identification, collection, and review of information on offender employment.
- Determine the elements (strengths) of a marketing plan; collect marketing information from other TPC (Transition from Prison to Community) states including Missouri, Michigan, Indiana, and Georgia; draft marketing plan for Steering Committee review (Implementation Team).
- Select/define terms to be used for returning populations and support the Reentry Council's work in this area.
- Determine legal liability of employers when hiring formerly incarcerated felons.
- Develop trainings for employers and community corrections staff.

2. Increase returnee employability by improving, verifying and certifying technical/work skills and soft skills.

• Objectives:

- Determine skills and entities that can provide verification/certification (laundry list needed under strategies/tasks).
- Identify skills that can be maintained.
- Develop soft skills training package (consider tools like Accu-vision).
- Build-in soft skills assessment as part of daily routines.
- Ensure returnees leave with a packet including certification, verification, and résumé.
- Collect and review information from other TPC states.

3. Returnees are prepared to compete for and retain living wage jobs.
 - Objectives:
 - Ensure work practices at DOC are transferrable, transparent, and allow for feedback.
 - Ensure returnees leave prison with proper skill/work and identification documentation.
 - Support reentry work group's efforts to address housing issues.
 - Develop and retain workplace coaches/mentors.
 - Motivational assessment tools should be used (URICA, Socrates, etc.)
 - Assess skills taught versus Oregon job demands and job training availability.
 - Develop measurement criteria.
 - Evaluate supervision policies.
 - Collect and review information from other TPC states.

4. Increase access to Work Source Oregon Center resources inside and outside institutions.
 - Objectives:
 - Develop work source centers inside institutions that mirror systems outside (e.g., access to I-Match assessments).
 - Determine baselines and goals.
 - Increase awareness outside (marketing).
 - Returnees get same treatment as other job-seekers.
 - All returnees registered with I-Match.

5. Improve coordination and collaboration with community-based and justice agencies and employers, to improve information-sharing, resources, and responsibilities, and to address barriers.
 - Objectives:
 - Utilize "Road to Success" model as resource for some returnees.
 - Map local resources by county (Reentry Wiki) to determine when and where opportunities are present; include contact information.
 - Identify model to be used.
 - Identify and use best practices (in-reach and case planning).
 - Involve mentors.
 - Utilize natural support services (from non-traditional community-based efforts and programs, agencies and resources).

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Vision

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- Ensure businesses have a ready supply of trained workers whose skills and talents are aligned with the expectations and needs of business and industry;
- Connect businesses with the resources they need to grow their workforce and their business; and
- Provide the resources to help Oregon's unemployed and underemployed get connected with the employers that are right for them, find the jobs they're looking for and get trained for jobs they want.

Mission Statement

All employers and workers understand the workforce development system and know how to access its resources.

Our Mission:

To communicate effectively with key audiences so that information is easy to find and resources are readily available to all Oregon businesses and workers.

Organization

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[Clackamas Community College](#) (Clackamas county)

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[Lane Workforce Partnership](#) (Lane county)

[Mid-Willamette Workforce Network](#) (Marion, Polk, and Yamhill counties)

[The Job Council](#) (Jackson & Josephine counties)

[Worksystems, Inc.](#) (Multnomah & Washington counties)

The Oregon Consortium & Oregon Workforce Alliance - including:

- Management Training Corp (Clatsop, Columbia, Tillamook)
- Umpqua Training & Employment (Douglas)
- South Coast Business Employment Corp (Coos, Curry)
- Mid-Columbia Council of Governments (Hood, Sherman, Gilliam, Wheeler, Wasco)
- Central Oregon Intergovernmental Council (Deschutes, Crook Jefferson)
- TBA (Klamath, Lake)**
- Community Action Program for East Central Oregon (Morrow, Umatilla)
- Training & Employment Consortium (Union, Wallowa, Baker)
- Training & Employment Consortium (Harney, Grant, Malheur)

Programs

What's Here?

- Links to workforce, economic development, and training information - culled from a vast array of agencies and entities - all conveniently located and easy to navigate.
- Information on the governor's Workforce Initiative, including Regional Workforce Teams, and a new training fund.
- A resource directory to find a local WorkSource Oregon Center for business and job finding assistance anywhere in Oregon.

GOVERNOR'S REENTRY CONTINUITY OF CARE WORKGROUP WORK PLAN HIGHLIGHTS – 2009

Work Group PURPOSE/VISION Statement: (Developed 1/6/2009)

Promote successful community reintegration and improve public safety by addressing individual offender needs for access to and continuity of necessary health and behavioral health care.

Prioritized Goals: (Developed 2/3/2009)

- Goal 1: Offenders with serious health and/or behavioral health needs will leave custody with an appointment with community provider.***
- Goal 2: Ensure DOC transition plans include health and/or behavioral health, and community corrections elements and that they are effectively addressed.***
- Goal 3: Capitalize on pro-social support systems to address health and behavioral health issues.***
- Goal 4: In-custody medical records must be easily accessible to health care providers in the community, and vice versa.***
- Goal 5: There must be an identified advocate available in custody and in the community to assist with the application process for benefits for which an inmate/offender may be eligible.***
- Goal 6: In addition to coordination of care, there is a need for additional access to dental treatment in and out of custody. Models for improved dental care in custody settings and in the community should be explored, including developing pro bono work arrangements and creating tax credits.***

Additional goals in place and/or shared with other reentry work groups:

- Offenders will leave custody with a 30-day supply of necessary medications.
- Offenders will leave custody with a birth certificate in hand to facilitate access to DHS services and Title XIX benefits.
- Offenders with serious health and/or behavioral health issues have access to appropriate/specialized housing.

Objectives: (Developed 3/3/2009)

1. Offenders with serious health and/or behavioral health needs will leave custody with an appointment with community provider.
 - Objectives:
 - Define “serious” as MH3 for persons with behavioral health issues.
 - Develop definition of “serious” for persons with physical health issues (Implementation Team task).
 - Identify offenders early in process to ensure proper screening (in/out).
 - Develop inventory of health and behavioral health resources by county (add to Reentry Wiki).
 - Determine if options are available for assistance to returning offenders
 - Identify health care plan options, funding, and benefits.
 - Release counselors contact local community corrections agency six months prior to inmate’s release.
 - Collaborative transition planning – DOC, community corrections agencies, inmate, and other partners develop inmate’s transition plan to community.
 - Post-release appointment(s) scheduled for offender.
2. Ensure DOC transition plans include health and/or behavioral health and community corrections elements, and that they are effectively addressed.
 - Objectives:
 - Release summary developed to facilitate/allow sharing of information.
 - Information collected at Intake to DOC and updated throughout incarceration.
 - Quality control mechanism to determine quality and timeliness of information.
3. Capitalize on pro-social support systems to address health and behavioral health issues.
 - Objectives:
 - Identify and re-engage pro-social networks present prior to incarceration.

- Potential support groups in the community (examples include: AA, NA, mentoring, CURE, NAMI, employers, HGO and other faith-based reach-in groups, etc.)
 - Encourage “reach-in” activities.
4. In-custody medical records must be easily accessible to health care providers in the community, and vice versa.
- Objectives:
 - Explore benefits of an electronic medical records system (multi-agency state system DOC, OYA, State Hospital, other DHS, community corrections, county public health, etc.).
 - Develop process to allow providers to use/access information from electronic system.
5. There must be an identified advocate available, in custody and in the community, to assist with the application process for benefits for which an inmate/offender may be eligible.
- Objectives:
 - Central repository for the collection and maintenance of resource information (Reentry Wiki).
 - Identify positions/agencies responsible for working with community partners/providers.
6. In addition to coordination of care, there is a need for additional access to dental treatment in and out of custody. Models for improved dental care in custody settings and in the community should be explored, including developing pro bono work arrangements and creating tax credits.
- Objectives:
 - Define a threshold of dental care which offenders should receive prior to release.
 - Prioritize needs – cosmetic versus medical need, etc.
 - Explore “prevention” education models/systems for use while incarcerated.
 - Explore pro bono resources (American Dental Association, state associations, dentists, educational institutions, dental nurse practitioner services, etc.)

GOVERNOR'S RE-ENTRY TRANSITION SERVICE CENTER WORKGROUP WORK PLAN HIGHLIGHTS – 2009

Work Group PURPOSE/VISION Statement: (Developed 2/3/2009)

Transition Service Center Workgroup will develop and present recommendations to the Steering Committee on the development of pilot transition service networks with local, integrated services to stabilize Oregonians returning from incarceration.

Prioritized Goals: (Developed 2/3/2009)

Goal 1: Coordinate with other workgroups and state agencies.

Goal 2: Get approval for five (5) pilot sites from the Steering Committee.

Goal 3: Determine entity operating those sites.

Goal 4: Determine a suggested operating structure for pilot sites.

Goal 5: Survey community corrections agencies to determine where there are existing coordinated services for future planning and decision making.

Note: At the March 3, 2009 meeting, group consensus was that Goal 5 must be completed first, or goals 2, 3, and 4 will not work.

Formal Recommendation to Steering Committee: (3/3/2009)

Prior to the development of a survey, this workgroup formally recommends a change of name. "One Stop" and Transition Service "Center" does not adequately describe the model we're trying to create.

The group is recommending we change how communication goes out about what we are doing.

From this point forward, the group recommends removing the "one stop" and "center" terminology. These terms creates an expectation of a physical structure, which may not always be the case. There are also funding issues related to both terms that could be problematic.

The name should be client centric, not related to brick and mortar. By creating a name that focuses on the individual, the more buy-in you're going to get.

Success is measured by the success of the people being served. If it is client centered, then what's measured is the client and we are more likely to have an impact on recidivism.

Goals and Objectives: (Developed 3/3/2009)

1. Coordinate with other workgroups and state agencies.
 - Objectives:
 - Workgroup leaders/conveners should communicate and interpret their group's objectives to the Steering Committee members.
2. Get approval for five (5) pilot sites from the Steering Committee.
 - Objectives:
 - Decision to be made based on survey results.
 - Let information and data inform decision making.
3. Determine entity operating those sites.
 - Objectives:
 - Relative to survey and operating structures, determine entity operator and range of potential operating models.
 - Use Evidence-Based Practices (EBP) and Best Practices.
 - Allow for range of options.
 - Collect data from other states (ASCA & CEPP)

4. Determine a suggested operating structure for pilot sites.
 - Objectives:
 - Based on survey, determine a range of optional operating structures.
 - Use Evidence-Based Practices (EBP) and Best Practices.
 - Allow for a range of options.
 - Identify performance measures.
 - Define client centered service networks and create new name based on that definition.
5. Survey community corrections agencies to determine where there are existing and/or coordinated services for future planning and decision making.
 - Objectives:
 - Department of Corrections to take lead in conducting the survey.
 - Oversight and determination of information sought through survey should come from the Steering Committee. Know the expected outcomes to determine the questions.
 - Determine interest in developing/operating “one stop” model.
 - Identify what we’re looking for with the survey. Is it a resource?
 - Recommend to include Oregon Association of Community Corrections Directors (OACCD) in leadership role in collecting survey information.
 - Develop checklist to identify services currently provided – use list from SB385 at a minimum, but ask for anything additional counties may have or would like to have.
 - Develop timeline with completion no later than July 1, 2009 – preferably by June 1, 2009.
 - Enlist support from Steering Committee in identifying resources.
 - Request from Attorney General’s Office a list of non-profit organizations specific to services related to re-entry.
 - Collect identification of faith-based services.
 - Collect data on services provided by the Oregon State Sheriff’s Association.
 - Include Oregon Workforce Partnership (OWP) in survey.
 - Where coordinated services are present, determine the structure.
 - How much grant in aid dollars and outside dollars are being put toward transition services?
 - What is the budget source for efforts and needs?
 - What is out there? What networks/collaborations are already in place?
 - What are current service gaps and priorities?
 - Collect data from other states (ASCA & CEPP)
 - Map funding stream for other states – funding mechanisms and outcomes.