

Mississippi Juvenile Justice Advisory Committee-SAG



MSJJAC Annual Report & Resource Guide

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2020-2021 MSJJAC ANNUAL REPORT AND RESOURCE GUIDE

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RE: 2020-2021 Mississippi Juvenile Justice Annual Report

Dear Governor Reeves:

On behalf of the Mississippi Juvenile Justice Advisory Committee State Advisory Group (MSJJAC-SAG), we are excited to present to you and to the Mississippi Legislature the 2020-2021 Mississippi Juvenile Justice Annual Report. In addition to providing, this report provide a comprehensive look at the role of the MSJJAC, the DPSP and the programs that we have been fortunate to fund, it also serves as a Juvenile Justice resource guide.

Also, we are also presenting an overview of Mississippi's recommendations. For many years, Mississippi was out of compliance on all four of the core federal mandates, which equated to Mississippi not receiving approximately 80% of the JJDP Title II federal dollars. The challenge to regain compliance was a daunting one, but as a team, the MSJJAC-SAG and the entire Department of Public Safety Planning-Office of Justice Programs (DPSP-OJP) set our goals specifically on regaining full compliance. For the past few years, Mississippi has been in full compliance and has received full funding. During this time, the MSJJAC-SAG has faced challenges with maintaining membership due to various reasons, yet we have remained committed to our work in Juvenile Justice. Today, we are proud to say that we have met the membership requirement as outlined by federal requirements to maintain Title II funding. MSJJAC-SAG present you with the following recommendations:

- 1) Continue its efforts toward compliance with the JJDP.
- 2) Support legislation to protect the rights of juveniles such as the 2016 Mississippi Juvenile Detention Facilities Licensing Act (MS Code §43-21-901)
- 3) Support efforts made by the Department of Public Safety, Division of Planning, Office of Justice Programs' Juvenile Facilities Monitoring Unit in its enforcement of the new juvenile standards for juvenile detention centers throughout the state.
- 4) Collaborate with other entities to make systemic Juvenile Justice change.
- 5) Provide funding opportunities for eligible entities.
- 6) Provide training for Juvenile Justice practitioners.

It was our desire to draft a document that reflects of how well we continue to work with our many partners in an effort to better service the children of Mississippi, as well as work together to reduce juvenile crime rates, juvenile incarceration and increase more effective best practices. I am confident that Mississippi is transforming its Juvenile Justice system because of all of our efforts.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Alfred L. Martin, Jr.", written over a faint blue circular stamp.

Alfred L. Martin, Jr., Ph.D.
MSJJAC Chairman

The Mississippi Juvenile Justice Advisory Committee (MSJJAC), also known as the State Advisory Group (SAG) works with the Division of Public Safety Planning (DPSP) in the planning, coordination, and implementation of prevention and intervention initiatives and programs that address the development of justice-involved youth. This dual partnership directs the OJJDP Title II funding to jurisdictions and agencies in the provision of assistance in efforts to address Juvenile Justice systems improvement. In addition to advising the DPSP on Juvenile Justice issues and advocating for youth, the MSJJAC assists the DPSP with the development of the state's required OJJDP 3-year Plan, reviews grant applications, and strives to meet the goals of the JJDP Act with an understanding of the importance of compliance with the four (4) CORE Requirements of the Act.

Presents

- **The 2020-2021 Annual Report and Resource Guide** provides a detailed summary to Governor Tate Reeves, the Mississippi Legislature, Community Partners, and stakeholders interested in services being provided across the state in juvenile correction services.
- **The Mississippi Juvenile Justice Advisory Committee (MSJJAC) – State Advisory Group (SAG)** is comprised of volunteers in the state of Mississippi appointed by the Governor to advise the State on Juvenile Justice related issues.
- **MSJJAC- SAG'S purpose** is to improve conditions, and offer services and programs that benefit juveniles who come into contact with the Juvenile Justice System.
- **The Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP)** provides local and state funding and support to prevent Juvenile delinquency and improve the Juvenile Justice system for states that remain in compliance with the Juvenile Justice Delinquency and Prevention Act (JJDP Act). The state of Mississippi is in compliance with the core requirements and mandates as required by JJDP Act.
- We engage in **PARTNERSHIPS AND COLLABORATIONS** with community, state and local entities that provide services for youth across the State of Mississippi that enhance and improve upon the scope of services needed to change the lives of juvenile under Juvenile Corrections. The Mississippi Division of Public Safety Planning, Office of Justice Programs serve as a resource that assists in MSJJAC – SAG meeting our responsibility in carrying out the functions required at the state and local level of government.



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TATE REEVES, GOVERNOR
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
SEAN J. TINDELL, COMMISSIONER

July 5, 2022

The Honorable Tate Reeves
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Dear Governor Reeves:

I have reviewed the recommendations of the individuals who have been selected to serve on the State Advisory Group (SAG) for Mississippi, hereafter referred to as the Mississippi Juvenile Justice Advisory Committee (MSJJAC) and do concur with the recommendation.

To receive funding, states and territories must adhere to all requirements in the JJDP Act. This SAG approval is required will preserve the state's eligibility for the Title II Formula Grants Program funding which supports state and local programs to prevent juvenile delinquency and improve the juvenile justice system.

Should you or your staff have any questions, please feel free to contact Ray Sims, Executive Director, MS Division of Public Safety Planning, at 601-977-3792.

Sincerely,

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Sean Tindell,
Commissioner

Cc: Emberly K. Holmes, DPSP-OJP Office Director

Column 2: Represents Agency/Organization (as indicated below):

- A. Locally elected official representing general purpose local government.
- B. Representative of law enforcement and juvenile justice agencies, including juvenile and family court judges, prosecutors, counsel for children and youth, and probation workers.
- C. Representatives of public agencies concerned with delinquency prevention or treatment, such as welfare, social services, child and adolescent mental health, education, child and adolescent substance abuse, special education, services for youth with disabilities, recreation, and youth services.
- D. Representatives of private nonprofit organizations, including persons concerned with family preservation and strengthening, parent groups and parent self-help groups, youth development, delinquency prevention and treatment, neglected or dependent children, quality of youth justice, education, and social services for children.
- E. Volunteers who work with delinquent youth or youth at risk of delinquency.
- F. Representatives of programs that are alternatives to confinement, including organized recreation activities.
- G. Persons with special experience and competence in addressing problems related to school violence and vandalism and alternatives to suspension and expulsion.
- H. Persons, licensed or certified by the applicable state, with expertise and competence in preventing and addressing mental health and substance abuse needs in delinquent youth and youth at risk of delinquency.
- I. Representatives of victim or witness advocacy groups, including at least one individual with expertise in addressing the challenges of sexual abuse and exploitation and trauma, particularly the needs of youth who experience disproportionate levels of sexual abuse, exploitation, and trauma before entering the juvenile justice system.
- J. For a state in which one or more Native American tribes are located, a Native American tribal representative (if such representative is available) or other individual with significant expertise in tribal law enforcement and juvenile justice in Native American tribal communities.

Column 3: Represents Full-Time Government Employment.

Column 4: Represents a Member that is either a youth or a parent of a youth who has been involved in the juvenile justice system.



TATE REEVES
GOVERNOR
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

7/8/2022

Date

**STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

I, Tate Reeves, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby approve the following roster, provided in accordance with Title 34 United States Code § 11133(a)(3), thereby appointing or re-appointing the following members to serve on the Mississippi Juvenile Justice Advisory Committee (MSJJAC), also known as the Mississippi Juvenile Justice State Advisory Group (SAG):

Name	Represents	F/T Govt	Youth	Residence
Martin, Alfred [Chair]	E			Jackson
Dedeaux, Jaqueline, M.S., LSW [Vice Chair]	C			Gulfport
Phillips, Katrina [Secretary]	B,D	X		Pelahatchie
Blackmon, Jr., Willie	E			Jackson
Broome, Tom	A,B	X		Brandon
Brown, Donald	C, H			Yazoo
Coleman, Frank	A, B			Meridian
Davis, Gary	B, G			Ridgeland
Gordon, Ta'Shia	C	X		Canton
Grisham, Tia	J		X	Philadelphia
Kersh, Toni	B	X		Pearl
Nelson, Dwayne	C, H	X		Canton
Nored, Lisa	C			Hattiesburg
Robertson, Angela	C, H			Starkville
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Vancor, Dillon	B		X	Pelahatchie
Williams, Eric	E		X	Horn Lake
Proposed Members:				
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Cotton, Sasha	B, J		X	Philadelphia
Jacobs, Christina	C		X	Biloxi
Moton, Marketa	B			Jackson
Miller, Jara	F			Vanceleave
Smith, Landyn	E		X	Piney Woods

This roster and associated fields is compiled in accordance with the United States Department of Justice, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention's FY 2022 Title II Formula Grants Program's suggested sample SAG roster, minus the inclusion of email addresses.

National Organizational Affiliation

Coalition of Juvenile Justice

The MSJJAC is a member of the Coalition for Juvenile Justice (CJJ) which is a nationwide coalition of State Advisory Groups (SAGs), organizations, individuals, youth, and allies dedicated to preventing children and youth from becoming involved in the courts and upholding the highest standards of care when youth are charged with wrongdoing and enter the justice system. CJJ envisions a nation where fewer children are at risk of delinquency; and if they are at risk or involved with the justice system, the children and their families receive every possible opportunity to live safe, healthy, and fulfilling lives.

CJJ's areas of substantive work include:

- Promoting evidence-informed policies and practices in delinquency reduction and prevention;
- Educating the public and advising federal policymakers on state and local Juvenile Justice issues;
- Assisting the states (including territories and the District of Columbia) in meeting the core requirements of the [Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act](#);
- Improving racial/ethnic fairness, accessibility, and overall quality of community and court-based policies and practices; and
- Linking national, state, and local advocates/organizations to pursue a common mission.

Office Juvenile Justice Delinquency Prevention

The MSJJAC is funded by an OJJDP Title II grant. OJJDP Title II **Formula Grant Program** provides funding to support state and local efforts to plan, establish, operate, coordinate, and evaluate policies and projects, directly or through grants and contracts with public and private agencies, for the development of more effective education, training, research, prevention, diversion, treatment, and rehabilitation programs in the area of juvenile delinquency, as well as Juvenile Justice system improvement efforts.

Pursuant to Title II, Part B, of the JJDP Act (34 U.S.C. §§ 11131–11133), to receive formula grants, states must submit a plan for carrying out Formula Grants Program activities applicable to a 3-year period. This announcement sets out the requirements for Year 2 of the 3-Year State Plan covering fiscal years 2021 to 2023.

Partnerships and Collaborations

Title II Subgrantees- Project Summaries and Narratives

YMCA of Metropolitan Jackson- Project Period: 06/01/2021- 08/31/2021

YMCA, “The Y” works to ensure that our most vulnerable youth – ho live in under-resourced communities, with a higher risk of exposure to violence and trauma, involved or at-risk of being involved with the Juvenile Justice or child welfare systems- receive meaningful support along their journey to adulthood.

The YMCA offers programs in school and community settings to provide supportive mentorship and learning opportunities through regular group activities, fitness opportunities, sports events, and creative programs. Youth learn problem-solving skills and create individual action plans to keep them in school and thereby avoiding the Juvenile Justice system. The programs run during non-school hours when youth are more likely to engage in risky and negative behaviors.

Mississippi Public Health Institute – Project Period: 06/01/2021 – 09/30/2021

The Hope Science Institute (HSI) was founded in March 2021 throughout Mississippi to improve program services to families and children across the state through the teaching and promoting of the Science of Hope to governmental agencies, nonprofit organizations, and private sector businesses.

HSI’s efforts are designed to focus on encouraging each individual to learn the framework for the Science of Hope and practice the daily application of the framework in their encounters with families and children with the purpose of better ensuring the protection, nurturing, and reduction of trauma in the citizens of the State of Mississippi.

The Hope Science Institute provided training to the Division of Youth Services (DYS) counselors and staff of Oakley Youth Development Center to improve the work environment of the DYS community and institutional staff by establishing and building collective hope. HSI helped the youth and their families develop goals, pathways, and willpower to improve their lives.

Boys and Girls Club of Central Mississippi – Project Period: 06/15/2021 – 08/31/2022

Many of our young people lack the opportunity to develop leadership skills to access college and career readiness programs and to connect their passions with clear goals. The Boys and Girls Club of Central Mississippi (BGCCM) gives the youth served a choice. Regardless if they choose to go to college or go into a trade. To serve youth properly, the BGCCM believes the organization must meet them where they are through understanding to identify warning signs and utilize proper methods to help.

Program objectives included:

1. Parental Involvement to provide a family friendly environment that encourages parent engagement.

2. The College Campus Exposure to provide youth with a diverse college experience.
3. Career Exploration exposing youth to a variety of careers.
4. Civic engagement that shows students the importance of community involvement through historical exposure.

Project implementation included visitation of youth to Morehouse and Spelman Colleges (Atlanta, GA), Tuskegee University (Tuskegee, AL), Xavier, Dillard, and Tulane Universities (New Orleans, LA), and concluded with Tennessee State University and Vanderbilt University (Nashville, TN).

NCADD of the Central MS Area, Inc.- Project Period: 08/10/2021 – 04/30/2022

The 2021 Juvenile Justice Symposium led systems of Juvenile Justice change through the values of compassion, leadership, education, and community through a network of professionals. The two-and-a-half-day symposium included general plenary sessions, panels, and workshops with educated and experienced presenters leading the discussions. Some topics featured included alternatives to detention, trauma-informed justice, cross-over youth, teen violence, domestic sex trafficking of minors, LGBTQ+ issues, anti-shackling alternatives, child development, racial and ethnic disparity, mental health, juvenile and family treatment drug courts, and minors in immigration. The symposium brought together all segments of the criminal justice system in Mississippi to encourage a more cohesive approach to addressing criminal justice system needs for juveniles.

Youth Court

The Youth Courts deal with matters involving abuse and neglect of juveniles, as well as offenses committed by juveniles. Young people who have not reached the age of 18 may be subject to the Youth Court, although there are some exceptions. Some offenses, which would be treated as crimes if committed by adults, are known as delinquent acts when they involve juveniles.

In the 22 counties that have a County Court, those judges also serve as Youth Court judges. In counties that do not have a County Court, the Chancery Judge may hear Youth Court matters, or the Chancery Judge may appoint a lawyer to act in a judicial capacity as Youth Court Referee.

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**Juvenile Justice Stakeholder Survey on Racial and Ethnic Disparities (RED)
Report to the Mississippi Juvenile Justice Advisory Council**

In April 2021, individuals working within the Juvenile Justice system, those providing services to youth and families involved in the Juvenile Justice system, and other key Juvenile Justice and community leaders completed a survey on programs and services in their community that have the potential to prevent juvenile delinquency or to reduce further involvement in the Juvenile Justice system.

The survey also asked what resources were needed to address disproportionate minority contact (DMC)/racial and ethnic disparities (RED) in their communities. Communities and county youth courts, large and small across the state of Mississippi, could benefit from juvenile delinquency prevention and DMC reduction programs. Churches, non-profit organizations, local government programs and other community-based organizations currently provide or can be mobilized to provide services to youth and their families.

To reduce disproportionate minority contact/disparate involvement of Black youth in the Mississippi Juvenile Justice system, survey respondents advised that we need more community-based diversion programs, especially mentoring programs, mental health services, after school programs that provide tutoring and physical activities/sports, and vocational/job skills/job placement/apprenticeship programs. Funding for such programs, training and technical assistance for law enforcement and organizations wanting to implement delinquency prevention and juvenile court diversion programs, as well as public information campaigns are needed to reduce DMC/RED.

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Four Core Requirements of the Juvenile Justice Delinquency Prevention Act: (JJDP)

1. Deinstitutionalization of Status Offenders (DSO)
2. Adult Jail and Lock-up Removal (Jail Removal)
3. Sight and Sound Separation
4. Racial and Ethnic Disparities (RED), formerly Disproportionate Minority Contact (DMC)



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Washington, D.C. 20531

August 3, 2020

Ray Sims
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Dear Director Sims,

The Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) has completed its review and analysis of Mississippi's federal fiscal year 2020 Compliance and Racial and Ethnic Disparities (RED) Plans, and its compliance data and supporting documentation covering the federal fiscal year 2019 reporting period. OJJDP conducted the review to determine (1) whether Mississippi has described an effective system of monitoring, and (2) the extent of Mississippi's compliance with the four core requirements pursuant to Section 223(a)(11), (12), (13), and (15) of the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act (the Act) as amended.

Based on our review and analysis of your 2020 compliance plan in the category 1 submission and your compliance monitoring report in the category 2 submission, OJJDP has determined that Mississippi has provided for an effective system of monitoring. This is not a determination that Mississippi, in fact, has an effective system of monitoring, which can be determined only through an onsite audit, but indicates that the state has described an effective system of monitoring, pursuant to section 223(a)(14), including the submission of compliance data for at least 85% of facilities in the State required to report data. (See 28 C.F.R. § 31.303(f)(5)).

Based on our review and analysis of the federal fiscal year 2019 Compliance Monitoring Report and the 2020 RED Plan, OJJDP has determined:

- Mississippi is in compliance with Section 223(a)(11) of the Act (the deinstitutionalization of status offenders or DSO requirement).
- Mississippi is in compliance with Section 223(a)(12) of the Act (the separation requirement).
- Mississippi is in compliance with Section 223(a)(13) of the Act (the adult jail and lockup removal requirement).
- Mississippi is in compliance with Section 223(a)(15) of the Act (the racial and ethnic disparities or RED requirement).

Under the Title II Formula Grants Program of the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act, as amended (34 U.S.C. §§ 11131-11133), each eligible state receives 20 percent of its total fiscal year allocation and an additional 20 percent for each of the four core requirements with which the state has demonstrated compliance. OJJDP has determined that Mississippi is eligible to receive 100 percent of the fiscal year 2020 allocation related to participation in the Title II Formula Grants Program and compliance with Sections 223(a)(11), (12), (13), and (15) of the Act (34 U.S.C. § 11133(a)(11), (12), (13), and (15)). The enclosure summarizes the basis for the final compliance determination for each core requirement.

We are available to help Mississippi achieve and maintain compliance with all of the requirements of the Title II Formula Grants Program. If you have any questions, please contact your OJJDP State Relations and Assistance Division Program Manager, Alyssa Malcomson at 202.598.2023 or Alyssa.Malcomson@ojp.usdoj.gov.

Sincerely,

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STATUS OF COMPLIANCE

Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act, as amended

Section 223(a)(11)

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 223(a)(11) of the Act (deinstitutionalization of status offenders), OJJDP has determined that Mississippi has an institutionalization rate of 3.44 status offenders and nonoffenders held per 100,000 persons under the age of 18. This is consistent with the established standard of a rate not in excess of 4.87 per 100,000 persons under the age of 18. Based on federal fiscal year 2019 data that Mississippi has provided, OJJDP has determined that Mississippi is in compliance with the requirements of Section 223(a)(11) of the Act, which requires that states not place (with certain exceptions) status offenders and nonoffenders in secure detention and correctional facilities.

Section 223(a)(12)

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 223(a)(12) of the Act (separation), OJJDP has determined that Mississippi has a rate of 0.00 juveniles per 100,000 juvenile population who were detained or confined in institutions in which they had contact with adult inmates. This is consistent with the established standard of a rate not in excess of 2.56 per 100,000 juvenile population. Based on federal fiscal year 2019 data that Mississippi has provided, OJJDP has determined that Mississippi is in compliance with Section 223(a)(12), which requires that states not detain or confine juveniles in any institution in which they have contact with adult inmates and that the state has a policy in effect requiring individuals who work with both juvenile and adult inmates, including in collocated facilities, to be trained and certified to work with juveniles.

Section 223(a)(13)

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 223(a)(13) of the Act (jail removal), OJJDP has determined that Mississippi has a rate of 0.28 juveniles detained or confined in adult jails or lockups per 100,000 juvenile population. This is consistent with the established standard of a rate not in excess of 5.40 per 100,000 juvenile population. Based on federal fiscal year 2019 data that Mississippi has provided, OJJDP has determined that Mississippi is in compliance with Section 223(a)(13), which requires that states not detain or confine (with certain exceptions) juveniles in adult jails and lockups and that the state has a policy in effect requiring individuals who work with both juvenile and adult inmates, in collocated facilities, to be trained and certified to work with juveniles.

Section 223(a)(15)

OJJDP has determined that Mississippi is in compliance with section 223(a)(15) of the Act (racial and ethnic disparities). The summary of activities described in its federal fiscal year 2020 state plan indicates that Mississippi is addressing racial and ethnic disparities within its juvenile justice system.



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Dear Mr. Sims:

The Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) has completed its review and analysis of Mississippi's federal fiscal year 2022 Compliance and Racial and Ethnic Disparities (R/ED) Plans, and its compliance data and supporting documentation covering the federal fiscal year 2021 reporting period. OJJDP conducted the review to determine (1) whether Mississippi has described an effective system of monitoring, pursuant to Section 223(a)(14) of the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act ("the Act") (34 U.S.C. § 11133(a)(14)), and (2) the extent of Mississippi's compliance with the four core requirements pursuant to Section 223(a)(11) (A), (12), (13), and (15) of the Act (34 U.S.C. § 11133(a)(11)(A), (12), (13), and (15)).

Based on our review and analysis of your 2022 compliance plan, OJJDP has determined that Mississippi has provided for an effective system of monitoring, as described in the state plan. This is not a determination that Mississippi, in fact, has an effective system of monitoring, which can be determined only through an onsite audit, but indicates that the state has described an effective system of monitoring, pursuant to section 223(a)(14) of the Act (34 U.S.C. § 11133(a)(14)).

Based on our review and analysis of the federal fiscal year 2021 Compliance Monitoring Report and the 2022 R/ED Plan, OJJDP has determined:

- Mississippi is in compliance with Section 223(a)(11) of the Act (the "deinstitutionalization of status offenders" or "DSO" requirement) (34 U.S.C. § 11133(a)(11)(A)).
- Mississippi is in compliance with Section 223(a)(12) of the Act (the "separation" requirement) (34 U.S.C. § 11133(a)(12)).
- Mississippi is in compliance with Section 223(a)(13) of the Act (the "jail removal" requirement) (34 U.S.C. § 11133(a)(13)).
- Mississippi is in compliance with Section 223(a)(15) of the Act (the "racial and ethnic disparities" or "R/ED" requirement) (34 U.S.C. § 11133(a)(15)).

Pursuant to section 223(c) of the Act (34 U.S.C. § 11133(c)), each eligible state receives 20 percent of its total fiscal year allocation and an additional 20 percent for each of the four core requirements with which the state has demonstrated compliance. OJJDP has determined that Mississippi is eligible to receive 100 percent of the fiscal year 2022 allocation related to participation in the Title II Formula Grants Program and compliance with Sections 223(a)(11), (12), (13), and (15) of the Act (34 U.S.C. § 11133(a)(11), (12), (13), and (15)). The enclosure summarizes the basis for the final compliance determination for each core requirement.

We are available to help Mississippi achieve and maintain compliance with all of the requirements of the Title II Formula Grants Program. If you have any questions, please contact your OJJDP Program Manager, Randall Sisco, at 202-451-7146 or Randall.Sisco@usdoj.gov

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Enclosure

STATUS OF COMPLIANCE

Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act, as amended

Section 223(a)(11)

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 223(a)(11) of the Act (34 U.S.C. § 11133(a)(11)) (the “deinstitutionalization of status offenders” or “DSO” requirement), OJJDP has determined that Mississippi has an institutionalization rate of 3.86 status offenders and nonoffenders held per 100,000 persons under the age of 18. This is consistent with the established standard of a rate not in excess of 4.71 per 100,000 persons under the age of 18. Based on federal fiscal year 2021 data that Mississippi has provided, OJJDP has determined that Mississippi is in compliance with the DSO requirement, which requires that states not place (with certain exceptions) status offenders and nonoffenders in secure detention and correctional facilities.

Section 223(a)(12)

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 223(a)(12) of the Act (34 U.S.C. § 11133(a)(12)) (the “separation” requirement), OJJDP has determined that Mississippi has a rate of 0.00 juveniles per 100,000 juvenile population who were detained or confined in institutions in which they had contact with adult inmates. This is consistent with the established standard of a rate not in excess of 1.18 per 100,000 juvenile population. Based on federal fiscal year 2021 data that Mississippi has provided, OJJDP has determined that Mississippi is in compliance with the separation requirement, which requires that states not detain or confine juveniles in any institution in which they have contact with adult inmates, and that the state has a policy in effect requiring individuals who work with both juvenile and adult inmates, including in colocated facilities, to be trained and certified to work with juveniles.

Section 223(a)(13)

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 223(a)(13) of the Act (34 U.S.C. § 11133(a)(13)) (the “jail removal” requirement), OJJDP has determined that Mississippi has a rate of 0.14 juveniles detained or confined in adult jails or lockups per 100,000 juvenile population. This is consistent with the established standard of a rate not in excess of 3.95 per 100,000 juvenile population. Based on federal fiscal year 2021 data that Mississippi has provided, OJJDP has determined that Mississippi is in compliance with the jail removal requirement, which requires that states not detain or confine (with certain exceptions) juveniles in adult jails and lockups, and that the state has a policy in effect requiring individuals who work with both juvenile and adult inmates, in colocated facilities, to be trained and certified to work with juveniles.

Section 223(a)(15)

OJJDP has determined that Mississippi is in compliance with section 223(a)(15) of the Act (34 U.S.C. § 11133(a)(15)) (the “racial and ethnic disparities” or “R/ED” requirement). The summary of activities described in its federal fiscal year 2022 state plan indicates that Mississippi is addressing racial and ethnic disparities within its juvenile justice system.

Mississippi Juvenile Detention Facilities

In comparison to others across the nation, the fifteen juvenile detention centers and three temporary holding facilities in the state were made to endure the various challenges that came along with the COVID-19 Pandemic. Educational, medical, mental health, religious, and other rehabilitative services, which had once been normal, soon became abnormal; thus, facilities were made to safely and creatively function as the pandemic directly affected daily operations. The virtual world became the reality for most and relying on Zoom, Webex, and other technology resources converted to practice.

Several juvenile detention facilities were introduced to Mr. Ronald Turner and his team from the Mississippi Public Health Institute. They worked in collaboration with the Mississippi Department of Health and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention on a program that provided funding for juvenile detention facilities to receive free COVID-19 tests, PPE, as well as a \$10.00 reimbursement per test conducted and reported. The tests and support provided were used for screening asymptomatic individuals, visitor screening, tracking outbreaks, and diagnostics for symptomatic persons. The program participation was voluntary for staff and detainees. The facilities opting to take part were extremely grateful for the opportunity.

Lastly, as 2021 began, detention leaders were saddened to hear that longtime Leflore County Juvenile Detention Center Director, Mr. Robert “Fitz” Fitzpatrick, passed away from COVID-19. He had enormous vitality and a passion for improving the lives of the youths he served. If nothing else was learned during the pandemic, the words of one detainee who lost a family member said it best: “COVID-19 took us by surprise, and it wasn’t to show us our weaknesses, but rather our strengths, especially when it comes to how we look at life and our families...Let’s stop taking things for granted!”

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Title: Rising Tides: Working with Tribal Nations to Support Tribal Youth Success

Summary: This training will explore the historic background of tribal nations and Juvenile Justice throughout the United States. We will examine the current roadblocks that American Indian and Alaska Native youth face in Juvenile Justice systems today and highlight innovative tribal Juvenile Justice programs. We will also work through how states can partner with tribal nations to forge better outcomes for tribal youth today.

Time: 1 Hour

Presenter: Kelbie Kennedy (*Citizen of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma*), Policy Counsel, National Congress of American Indians

Materials: [NCAI Tribal Juvenile Justice: Background and Recommendations](#)

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Mississippi Department of Human Services

The Mississippi Department of Human Services (MDHS) is dedicated to serving others while providing a wide range of public assistance programs, social services and support for children, low-income individuals, and families. The agency seeks to empower families so they can become self-sufficient and responsible for their future success. One such division within MDHS is the Division of Youth Services (DYS), which is responsible for the oversight of Mississippi's adjudicated and delinquent juveniles.

The DYS has two unique Subdivisions Community and Institutional. The Subdivisions are designed for juveniles who have been adjudicated delinquent in Mississippi Youth Courts or who are at risk of becoming delinquent. The DYS provides a variety of counseling, probation, and other services to children/youth in their home communities. We also provide educational and rehabilitative services along with treatment programs to and for children/youth who are committed to our institutional care.

Community Service Programs

Community Services has eight (8) regions throughout the state of Mississippi, each with supervisors that guide the work of regional staff to support youth and their families as they navigate through the Mississippi Youth Court System.

The primary goals of Community Services include but are not limited to the following:

Ensuring a balanced approach to accountability, competency development, and community safety in providing quality services that address the needs of clients, individual victims, and the community.

Tests the effectiveness of community-based programs on reducing commitments to institutional care.

Establishes multi-agency, cooperative partnerships with local communities.

Establishes uniformity in DYS services, case management practices and procedures.

Institutional Programs

Oakley Youth Development Center (Oakley), located in rural Hinds County, incorporates holistic, therapeutic programs to promote rehabilitation.

Oakley serves both boys and girls between the ages of twelve (12) and seventeen (17) who have been adjudicated delinquent by a local youth court for a felony-level offense and committed to the custody of the Mississippi Department of Human Services for placement at Oakley. The psycho-educational program offered is designed to build basic concepts of self-discipline, self-worth, personal responsibility, and respect for lawful authority.

Intake and Admissions – Staff works through a diagnostic and evaluation protocol, which gathers medical, dental, recreational, educational, vocational, and psychological data on each student. Students receive a complete physical and full-scale psychological assessment, which includes IQ testing, personality profiling, drug and alcohol abuse risk questionnaire, suicide risk assessment,

achievement testing and a trauma risk assessment tool called the Trauma Symptom Checklist for Children.

Mental Health and Rehabilitative Services – Individual and Group Therapy counseling provide Dialectical Behavior Therapy (DBT), Cognitive Behavior Therapy (CBT), social skills development, anger management, sex education that includes information on sexually transmitted diseases and abstinence, drug and alcohol awareness, character education, sexual offender counseling, and psycho-correctional skills.

Academic and Career & Technical Educational Services – Students are placed in academic and vocational classes at the Williams School on the Oakley campus according to their previous school placement and additional educational evaluation(s). This enables students to continue their educational advancement during their commitment. DYS’ non-public school is accredited by the Mississippi Department of Education to provide a curriculum in conformity with the DYS mission and accreditation requirements.

Department of Mental Health

Addressing the complex mental health needs of children, youth, and families is fundamental to the future of Mississippi. Nearly 35,000 of Mississippi’s children and youth have severe and persistent mental health needs, which can impact every aspect of their lives.

Mental health is important at every stage in life. A child’s mental health can affect their mood and behavior and the way they think and feel about themselves. The need for comprehensive, intensive mental health services coordinated with high quality services from education, health, Medicaid, foster care, Juvenile Justice, and vocational rehabilitation agencies places upon our communities a critical responsibility to claim these children, youth, and families as our own.

A variety of services and supports are available for children and youth. Families who need mental health services or support for their children can call the Mississippi Department of Mental Health Office of Consumer Supports at 1-877-210-8513 for more information. You may also enter your zip code in the “Where to Go” section on the Homepage for DMH certified providers in your area.

Services For Children and Youth With Serious Emotional Disturbance

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| • Therapeutic Group Home | • Emergency/ Crisis Services | • Peer Support (Family & Youth) |
| • Treatment Foster Care | • Crisis Stabilization Services | • Community Support Services |

- Prevention/Early Intervention
- Outpatient Therapy (Individual, Family and Group)
- Physician/Psychiatric Services
- MAP (Making A Plan) Teams
- Targeted Case Management
- Family Education and Support
- Wraparound Facilitation
- MYPAC – Mississippi Youth Programs Around the Clock
- Day Treatment
- Respite Services
- Therapeutic Foster Care

MAP (Making A Plan) Teams

MAP Teams are local multidisciplinary teams that review cases concerning children and youth who have serious emotional disturbances (SED) and are at immediate risk for being inappropriately placed in 24-hour institutional facilities. The members of these teams meet on a monthly basis to identify community-based services and resources that may divert children from inappropriate inpatient care.

Children and Youth Services Directory

Crossover XPand

Since 2009, System of Care (SOC) sites across the state have offered Mississippi's youth the services and supports they need to thrive at home, at school, and in the community. In 2013, DMH and Weems Community Mental Health Center received a four-year System of Care grant from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) for youth and young adults.

Project XPand, along with NFusion, served youth and young adults ages 14-21 with serious emotional disturbance who are transitioning from child mental health services to adult mental health services to prepare them for independent living. The XPand grant ended in September 2017, with all goals achieved, numerous positive outcomes, and 449 enrolled – 128% of the enrollment goal of 350.

In June 2017, DMH received notice of a four-year grant award for Crossover XPand, which proposed to expand System of Care programs to prioritize underserved children and youth involved in the child welfare/advocacy system and/or the Juvenile Justice system. The proposal included a redesign of service systems at the local level to integrate targeted case managers in

strategic intercept points within the system of care. Subgrants were awarded to Pine Belt Mental Healthcare Resources (Forrest, Jones, Lamar, and Marion Counties) and Weems Mental Health (Lauderdale County) to provide the service delivery portion of the grant.

As of August 14, 2020, the Crossover XPand System of Care has enrolled 691 youth and/or children participants, exceeding its annual and 4-year intake goal (400 youth).

CHAMP: Child Access to Mental Health And Psychiatry

The Child Access to Mental Health and Psychiatry service, known as CHAMP, is a consultation and educational service for pediatric primary care providers in Mississippi.

The University of Mississippi Medical Center-Department of Psychiatry, in conjunction with the Mississippi Department of Mental Health, has received a grant from the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) to provide free and same-day telephone consultations to pediatric primary care providers in Mississippi. These consultations will be offered with an educational focus and will be performed primarily by UMMC child psychiatrists and child psychologists.

The CHAMP team supports primary care providers (doctors, nurse practitioners and physician assistants) with questions about mental health care such as diagnostic clarification, medication adjustment, or treatment planning.

Shatter The Silence

Shatter the Silence is a campaign of the Mississippi Department of Mental Health to encourage young people to talk through their feelings with friends and trusted adults, and to also encourage those friends to show their concern and support.



Youth Mental Health First Aid Trainings

In 2018, twelve Community Mental Health Centers partnered with DMH and the State Department of Education to provide Youth Mental Health First Aid training to teachers and staff in their local school districts. Seventeen trainings were conducted, and 260 teachers were trained.



MISSISSIPPI EDUCATORS

- Do you know how to recognize the signs of mental illness in a young person?
- Would you know how to respond if you did?
- What if there was something you could do to help youth in your school?

REGISTER BELOW!
Click on the city nearest you to view details and register!

YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID

- **FREE TRAINING**
- Space is limited (*see map for details of training in your area*)
- Lunch on your own
- This training has applied for 8 hours of CEUs in Education.

Map of Mississippi with training locations: Hernando, Oxford, Tupelo, Greenwood, West Point, Greenville, Vicksburg, Jackson, Brandon, Meridian, McComb, Gulfport, Gautier.

Logos: Southwest Mississippi Mental Health Complex, LIFECORE, Warren-Tadon Mental Health Services, HINDS REGION 5, Gulf Coast Mental Health, Life Help, Region 8, DMH.

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RESOURCE CONTACT LISTINGS

(Information provided is relative to local, state, and national resources that are available online)

LOCAL RESOURCES

- ❖ Juvenile Justice Symposium
<http://beta3.msjjac.org/>
- ❖ National Council on Alcohol & Drug Dependence of MS (NCADD)
<https://www.thenationalcouncil.org>
- ❖ Mississippi Juvenile Justice Advisory Committee
www.msjjac.org

STATE RESOURCES

- ❖  CANOPY Children's Solutions
<https://mycanopy.org/>
- ❖ Disproportionate Minority Contact in Mississippi's Juvenile Justice System
Department of Public Safety, Office of Justice Programs
<https://www.dps.state.ms.us/divisions/public-safety-planning/office-of-justice-programs/>
- ❖ Social Science Research Center, Crime and Justice Research Unit
<https://cjrj.ssrc.msstate.edu/>
- ❖ Mississippi Department of Education
www.mdek12.org
- ❖ Mississippi Department of Human Services – Division of Youth Services
<http://www.mdhs.ms.gov/division-of-youth-services-annual-reports/>
- ❖ Mississippi Department of Mental Health
<https://www.dmh.ms.gov/>
- ❖ Youth Courts in Mississippi
<https://www.courts.ms.gov>

NATIONAL RESOURCES

- ❖ Coalition for Juvenile Justice (CJJ)
<http://www.act4jj.org/resources>
- ❖ Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act (JJDP) Fact Sheet
Conditions in Youth Facilities
www.act4jj.org
- ❖ National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges (NCJFCJ)
www.ncjfcj.org
- ❖ [National Mentoring Summit](#)
- ❖ [Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention \(OJJDP\)](#)
- ❖ The National Partnership for Juvenile Services (NPJS)
<http://npjs.org/symposium/>
- ❖ Redline Version Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act as
Amended by the Juvenile Justice Reform Act of 2018
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