

Meeting Summary

Following is a summary of issues discussed at the DJS Stat on January 14, 2011. Analysis is provided by StateStat and the Governor's Delivery Unit (GDU).

Follow-Up

- **Green Ridge.** DJS was asked at the previous Stat to arrange for the Director of the Green Ridge treatment program in western Maryland to attend the Stat meeting and the Director and the Regional Director were in attendance. The panel asked the Directors to explain the best practices used at this facility given that the facility was awarded high honors by the Performance-based Standards for Youth Correction and Detention Facilities group.
- **DJS-MVA ID Card Partnership.** DJS provided an update on this program today and they stated that strides have been made to provide DJS youth with IDs so that many can be involved in work programs.
- **CORPS Program.** DJS provided an update on this program at today's Stat. DJS has two grants for mentors for the program as well as awardees for a youth advocate. DJS also stated that they have 37 youth involved in the program with more enrolling on a month-to-month basis.

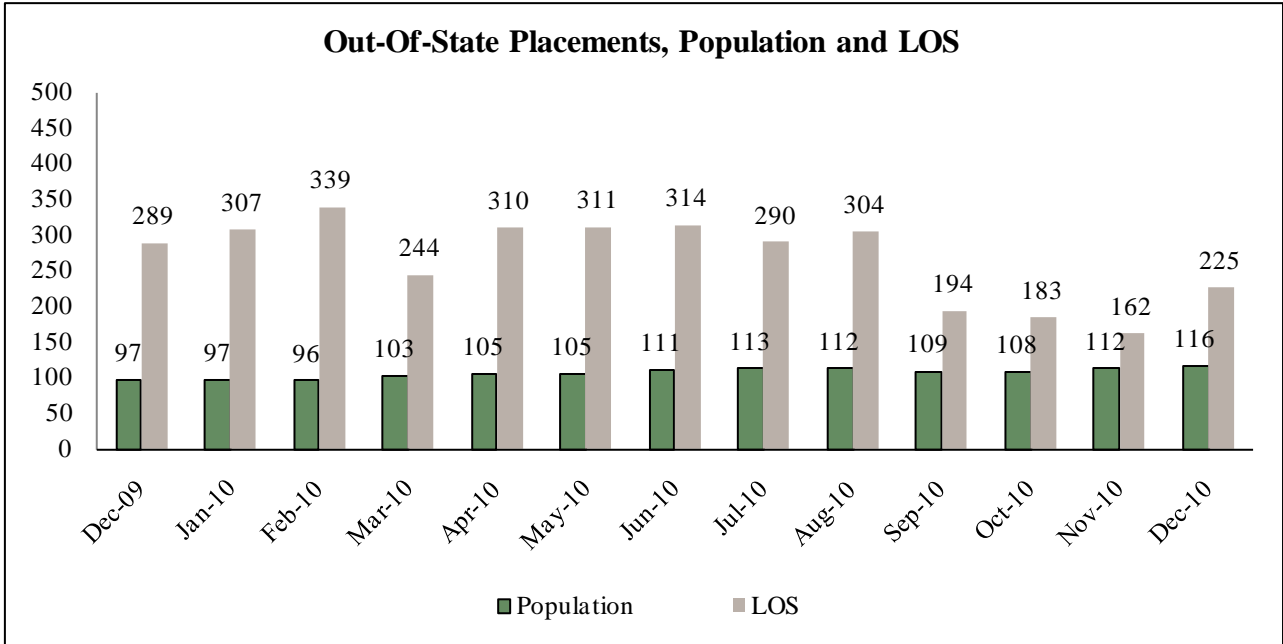
Case Review

- Periodically, DJS and StateStat review cases at the meetings as a quality assurance measure. DJS reports changes they have made in their protocols based on the reviews. At this meeting, DJS reviewed a particular case and stated that they will be working more closely with school officials in all jurisdictions to provide diversion ideas for youth not directly involved in the DJS system.

Placements

- **Out-of-State Placements.** DJS was asked to provide a list of the youths who contributed to the high length of stay totals and discuss the aftercare plans that have been set-up for the aforementioned youths. DJS provided this data and discussed the fact that all cases are reviewed more thoroughly to see if more services can be provided for youth in state.
- **Diagnostic/CEU Programs.** DJS was asked to explain what programs constitute "Diagnostic/CEU" programs (in the program chart below).

DJS, in their response, stated that one program, Summit Academy, is categorized as a Diagnostic/Central Evaluation Unit. Youth enter Summit through the Diagnostic Unit and receive substance abuse, medical and academic assessments used to develop an individualized service plan. They receive mental health and all other services and orientation to the program. While the average length-of-stay is 30 days or less, some youth remain on the diagnostic unit longer if it is determined that they will do better in a smaller group setting. For the same reason the unit also functions as a Sanctions Unit for youth with chronic noncompliance in the regular program.



FY 2010 OUT OF STATE PROGRAM ALOS BY PROGRAM TYPE			
Program Type	ALOS	Youth	Until Age 21
Hardware Secure	188	23	7
Staff Secure	189	59	3
Diagnostic Units/CEU	269	7	0
Residential Treatment Center	177	21	1
Specialized Placement, Out-of-State	329	1	0
Substance Abuse Programs	95	1	0
OOS TOTAL	192	112	11

Evidence Based Services

- Utilization** (GDU Goal V). The following chart details utilization of Evidence Based Services by DJS through December 2010. Utilization of EBS slots is at **78.2%** (269 filled/ 344 total active slots). At a recent DJS budget meeting, DJS and DBM agreed that the goal for EBS utilization would be 85%. Apart from the 331 active slots, DJS reported that an additional 30 slots are currently offline, mostly due to staff vacancies. DJS was asked to provide model adherence data to StateStat so that the agency and StateStat can see more thoroughly which programs are effective in terms of EBS.

Description	Total	MST	FFT	MTFC-A
# of Contracted Slots	364	105	255	4
# of Slots Offline [staff vacancies or slots not online]	20	10	10	0
# of Active Slots	344	95	245	4
% of Contracted Slots Available	94.5%	90.5%	96.1%	100.0%
# of Active Cases/Families	269	66	200	3
% Filled of Active Slots	78.2%	69.5%	81.6%	75.0%
# of Vacancies	75	29	45	1
# of Youths Pending Admission	28	2	26	0
# of Active Cases (including Youths Pending Admission)	297	68	226	3
Projected Increase in Utilization (if the youths pending admissions are admitted)	86.3%	71.6%	92.2%	75.0%
% of Contracted Slots Active	73.9%	62.9%	78.4%	75.0%