JUVENILE JUSTICE SUMMIT

A virtual learning and collaboration opportunity for all Oregon juvenile delinquency court partners.

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 6, 2026

9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

AGENDA

9:00 - 9:15 AM	**Welcome Remarks**
9:15 - 10:30 AM	**Advancing Juvenile Probation Transformation with NCJFCJ (Part 1)** National Center for Juvenile and Family Court Judges Faculty
10:30 - 10:45 AM	**15 MINUTE BREAK**
10:45 - 11:15 AM	**Advancing Juvenile Probation Transformation with NCJFCJ (Part 2)** National Center for Juvenile and Family Court Judges Faculty
11:15 - 12:00 PM	**Translatable Practices: Using Strategies from Juvenile Drug Treatment Courts to Effectively Supervise and Support Delinquency System-Involved Youth** Rachael Mark, Treatment Court Analyst, OJD
12:00 - 1:00 PM	**Lunch Break**
1:00 - 1:45 PM	**Put it into Practice: Local Opportunities for Probation Transformation** Anya Sekino, Assistant Director, Youth Development Oregon Jeff Justesen, Wasco County Commissioner
1:45 - 2:45 PM	**Oregon Youth Authority Case Management: Youth Progress, Trajectories, and Transition** Hayley Tews, Strategic Initiatives Coordinator, Oregon Youth Authority Jeremy Weldon, Operations and Policy Analyst, Oregon Youth Authority
2:45 - 3:00 PM	**Closing Remarks; Adjourn**



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SESSION DESCRIPTIONS

Advancing Juvenile Probation Transformation with the National Center for Juvenile and Family Court Judges (NCJFCJ) (Parts 1 & 2)

These sessions will introduce The Role of the Judge in Transforming Juvenile Probation: A Toolkit for Leadership created by NCJFCJ judges in conjunction with the Annie E. Casey Foundation. This will include research on best practices in juvenile probation and discussion on how using common-sense approaches to juvenile probation can reduce caseloads, improve youth engagement, and reduce recidivism.

Translatable Practices: Using Strategies from Juvenile Drug Treatment Courts (JDTC) to Effectively Supervise and Support Delinquency System-Involved Youth

This session will review best practices from JDTCs and focus on specific approaches to support behavior change outside of the JDTC setting.

Put it into Practice: Local Opportunities for Probation Transformation

This session will explore how the Youth Development Council (Oregon's State Advisory Group) supports local jurisdictions in improving probation by facilitating learning opportunities and connecting communities with potential funding pathways. Presenters will highlight a real example of local leadership driving probation transformation and offer valuable insights for jurisdictions seeking to evolve their approaches.

Oregon Youth Authority (OYA) Case Management: Youth Progress, Trajectories, and Transition

This session will provide an overview of OYA's approach to case management and how OYA supports youth progress from commitment through transition. Presenters will discuss the youth OYA serves and their trajectories, how assessment and case planning are used to support progress, and how transition criteria provide a consistent framework for informed decision-making about readiness for the next setting.

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SPEAKER BIOS

Cameron Carver is a former justice involved youth turned entrepreneur.

Jeff Justesen became a Wasco County Commissioner in January 2025 after a long and distinguished career in juvenile justice. Jeff serves as the Governor's appointed local elected leader on Youth Development Council and chairs the Juvenile Justice Subcommittee. Jeff served as the Detention Manager of the Northern Oregon Regional detention center in The Dalles for 18 years after working at Wasco County Youth Services as a Juvenile Court Counselor. Jeff is an active member of the Applied Leadership Network through the Annie E. Casey Foundation and a graduate of American Leadership Foundation. His passion for youth extends to his community involvement as a long-term referee for both basketball and volleyball.

Rachael Mark is a Treatment Court Analyst at OJD. She has over 20 years' experience translating research to practice within the delinquency system. From case manager and probation officer to coordinator and supervisor, Rachael's work was focused on the local level for many years. Whether it be through enhancing treatment courts, collaborating with stakeholders to improve services for justice-involved individuals, or coaching team members and juvenile justice professionals around research-informed supervision strategies and behavior responses, Rachael's dedication to this crucial work has driven her career. In her current role, Rachael focuses on statewide support for all treatment courts, including Oregon's five JDTCs. Rachael seeks to promote statewide systemic improvements, increase public safety, decrease recidivism, encourage healing, and improve communities through partnerships and efficient, innovative programming.

Jessica Pearce is a Senior Site Manager in the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges' Child Welfare and Juvenile Law program. Ms. Pearce specializes in providing the nation's juvenile and family courts with state-of-the art training on juvenile justice issues and most recently served as the editor for the Enhanced Juvenile Justice Guidelines. She specializes in the practical application of juvenile justice research and reform. In addition, Ms. Pearce has an extensive background writing and training on alcohol and other drug issues as they relate to juvenile justice including juvenile drug treatment courts. She is one of the country's foremost experts on juvenile drug treatment courts, having spent more than twenty years developing training and technical assistance tools for use by juvenile drug treatment courts.

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Anya Sekino currently is an Associate Director for the Youth Development Oregon. Her duties combine policy development and administration of state and federal funds, as well as coordination of state, tribal, and local efforts to prevent juvenile delinquency, reduce juvenile crime and recidivism. Anya has been privileged to work with various organizations in Oregon and across the nation on projects and initiatives designed to improve general wellbeing and treatment of children, youth and families. Her areas of interest are cross-systems collaboration, equity, cross-over youth, and human rights. Anya became a fellow at Georgetown University's Center for Juvenile Justice Reform in 2010. From June 2020 until 2024, Anya served as the National Juvenile Justice Specialist for the Coalition for Juvenile Justice.

Hayley Tews, PhD, is the Strategic Initiatives Coordinator with OYA's Facility Service Department. In her role, she supervises the Conflict Resolution Team and Treatment Services Supervisors, in addition to providing organization and leadership to Facility Services strategic initiatives. Hayley earned her Doctorate in Applied Psychology from Portland State University, with a focus in Community Psychology. At OYA, her focus has been on supporting a culture of Positive Human Development, aligning juvenile justice with a developmental approach, and using data to inform decision-making.

Jeremy Weldon is an Operations and Policy Analyst with the Oregon Youth Authority's Youth Reformation System team. He supports the implementation and improvement of OYA's case management system, with a focus on turning policy and system changes into clear, consistent practice. His work includes implementation support, quality assurance, training, data analysis, and identifying where processes can work better for staff and youth.

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LOCAL GUIDED QUESTIONS

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Use the questions below to guide conversation with your local court partners.

1. **Reflect:** What stood out to you about NCJFCJ's presentation on probation transformation?

2. **Compare:** In what ways do your local probation strategies align with the research-supported approaches highlighted during NCJFCJ's presentations on probation transformation?

3. **Explore:** What opportunities do we see for applying research-aligned probation strategies to help reduce caseloads, increase youth engagement, or reduce recidivism in our jurisdiction?

4. **Identify Barriers:** What local needs, gaps, or barriers do we anticipate when planning for local implementation of these probation transformation strategies?

5. **Plan:**
   - What goals for transforming probation do we have for our local system?
     - Immediate
     - Short-term
     - Long-term
   - Who should lead this effort?
   - Who needs to be involved to move this work forward effectively?
   - What are the next steps and who is going to accomplish them?
   - When should we check in next?

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