

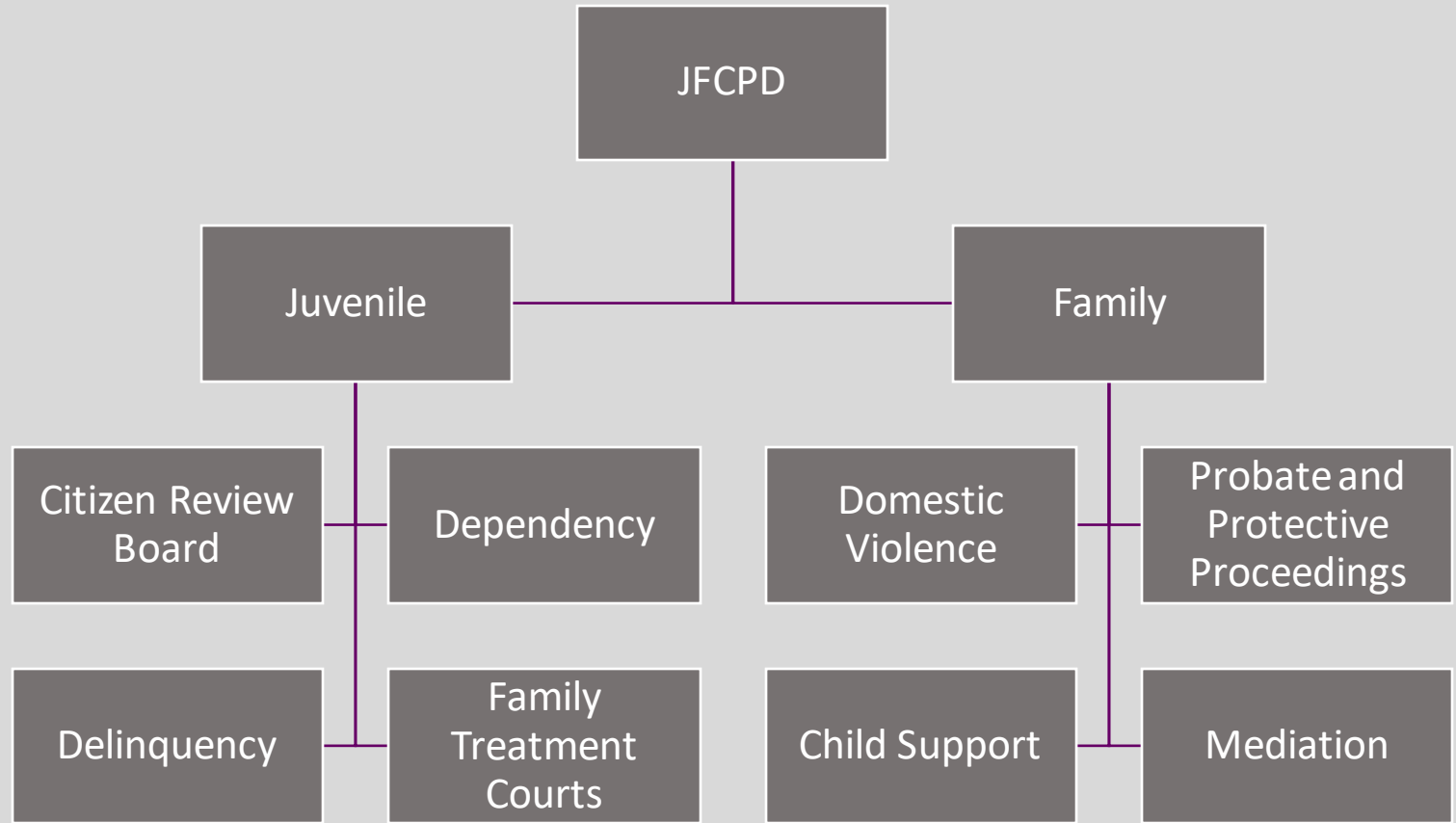
# Juvenile and Family Court Programs

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Model Court Summit

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# Structure



The statewide family law program provides technical assistance and support to family law facilitators who assist unrepresented parties involved in domestic relations proceedings in the trial courts.

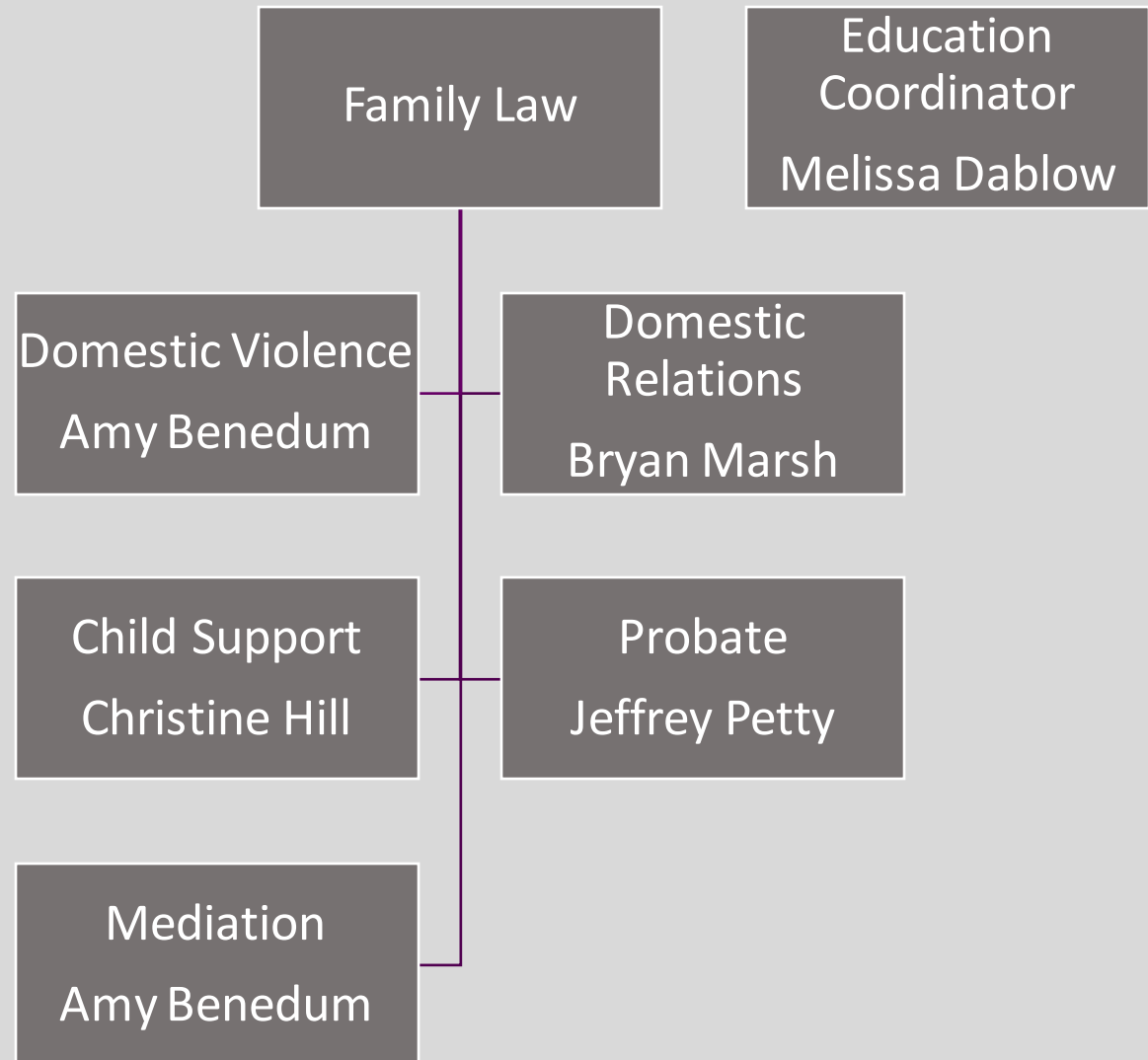
The family law program provides education, support, and assistance to judges and staff on family law matters including probate, protective proceedings, mediation, and domestic violence issues. The program evaluates policies, procedures, and laws and makes recommendations to improve access to court services for Oregon families statewide.

It also provides staff and support for the statutory State Family Law Advisory Committee (SFLAC).

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## Family Law Programs

# Family Law Structure

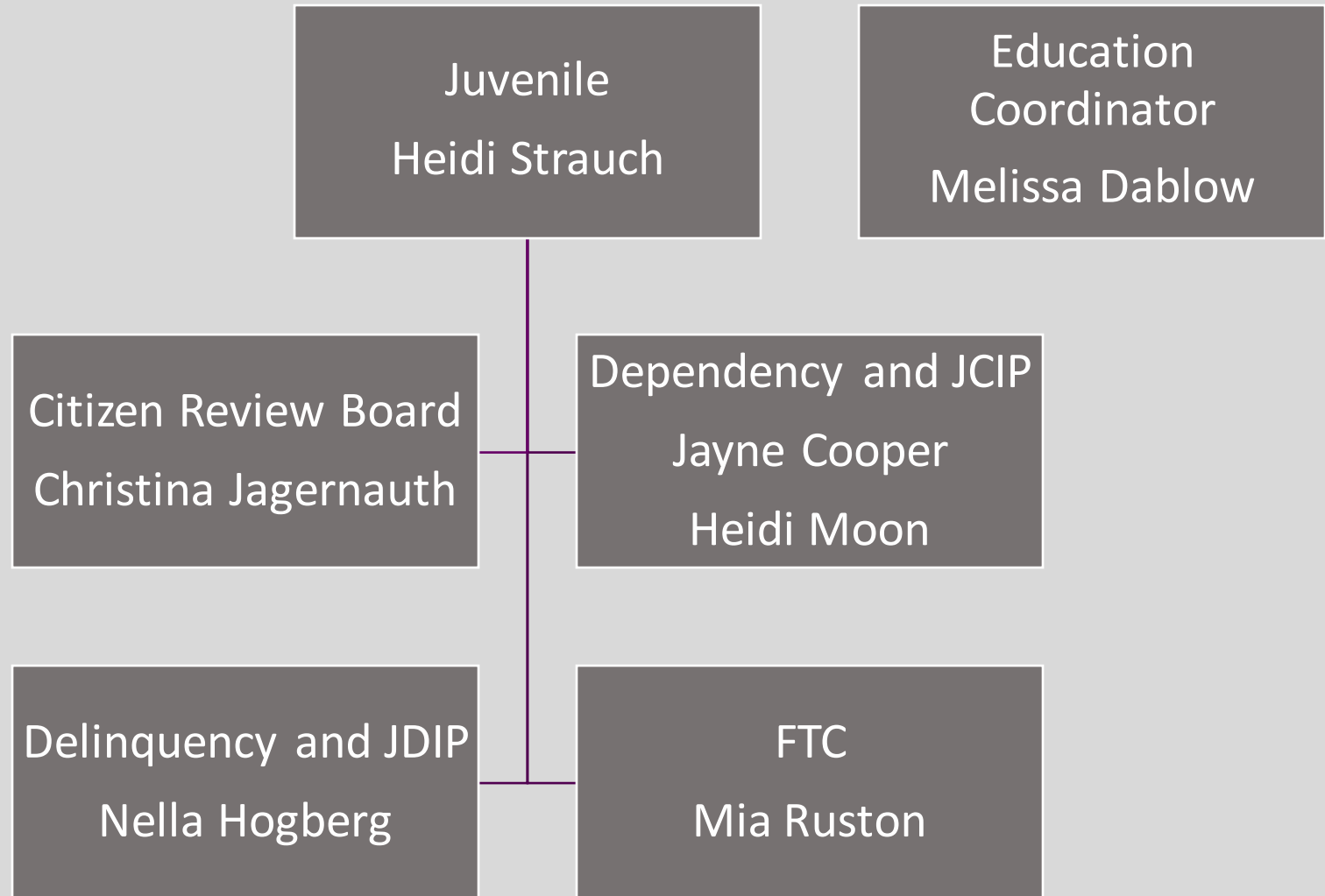


Juvenile Programs is responsible for strategic planning, collection and evaluation of statistics, and performing high level liaison work to develop policies, procedures, and evaluate laws affecting juvenile court operations statewide. It develops and delivers training and education for judges, OJD staff, and juvenile court system stakeholders at all levels. It includes the Juvenile Court Improvement Program (JCIP), the Juvenile Delinquency Improvement Program (JDIP) and Family Treatment Courts (FTC).

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## Juvenile Programs

# Juvenile Structure



# Citizen Review Board

A program that reviews the cases of children in foster care. Reviews are conducted by boards of citizen volunteers from local communities. CRB brings transparency and public oversight to foster care cases and a path for citizens to shape public policy affecting Oregon's children and families in the dependency system. Currently, there are 62 boards in 33 of Oregon's 36 counties, with about 250 volunteer board members.



# Family Treatment Courts (FTC)

FTC's focus is to implement and solidify best practices, facilitate collaboration among system partners, increase access and participation to family treatment courts and provide ongoing evaluation and continuous quality improvement to existing treatment courts. It is guided by a statewide FTC Advisory Committee and dedicated to improving the well-being of families, reduce the length of time children spend in foster care and increase the rate children reunify with their parents.





# Juvenile Delinquency Improvement Program (JDIP)

Modeled after the successful Court Improvement Program in the dependency system. It expands training, resource development, and support to work with courts, stakeholders, and community partners to improve Oregon's delinquency system.



# Juvenile Court Improvement Project (JCIP)

JCIP is a federally funded program that works to improve court and system-wide practices in child abuse and neglect cases. Under the grant, JCIP activities require ongoing collaboration with the Department of Human Services, Office of Public Defense Services, Department of Justice, statewide CASA programs, tribes, and other child welfare stakeholders. JCIP develops and delivers education programs for judges, OJD staff, CRB volunteer board members, and stakeholders in the child welfare system.



# Additional Juvenile Program Support

- Legislative Support
- Subject Matter Expertise for Courts and Stakeholders
- Education and Training
- Collaboration with System Partners
- Data Collection and Business Process Support



# Model Court Teams— JCIP's Vision

- Collaborative
- Locally Directed
- Improvement Focused
- Shared Goals & Values
- Family Centered
- Data Driven



# Model Court Teams—How JCIP Can Support Your Team

- Model Court Team SharePoint Site for OJD Staff
- Project Ideas Library
- CQI Change Management Support
- Data
- Team Restructure Support
- Subject Matter & Project-Specific Research
- Financial Support



# Model Court Teams SharePoint Site

- Project Ideas & Tailored Resources
- Completed Project Materials
- Topical Resources
- CQI Tools & Guidance
- Discussion Board For Q&A\*\*
- Team Success Stories

\*\*Each model court team should designate a team member from OJD to join the discussion board. They will serve as JCIP's point of contact for model court team news & updates. Ideally this would include the judge leading the team and OJD staff involved in managing the team.



# Model Court Teams–Shelter Hearing Improvement Project

- Created by JCIP’s Improving Hearing Quality Subcommittee, which is comprised of stakeholders across the dependency system.
- Aligns with the focus of today’s summit on the importance of keeping kids safely and stably at home.
- Recognizes that model court teams are in the best position to assess local needs, strengths, and weigh interventions, while also ensuring JCIP support and resources are available.
- Materials, including data on the average time spent on shelter hearings, were emailed to team members and are available on the Model Court Teams SharePoint site.
- JCIP staff are available during today’s strategic planning session and beyond to answer questions and/or help teams design and implement the project.





Questions

