# Juvenile Justice Policy and Data Board

Data Subcommittee

September 13th 1pm – 3pm



### **Agenda**

- Welcome and Introductions
- Review & Approval of July Meeting Minutes
- Fall Implementation Report Data Review
- Data Dictionary
- Academic Partnerships



#### **Fall Implementation Report**

- JJPAD has mandate to study and report on impact of recent JJ system changes
- Fall JJPAD Implementation Report will include:
  - Updates on implementation and assessment of impact of various changes from 2018 criminal justice bill
    - Raising the lower age of criminal responsibility
    - First offense low-level misdemeanors
    - Decriminalizing certain school-based offenses
    - New requirements for School Resource Officers/School Districts
    - Increased opportunities for Judicial Diversion
    - Revising juvenile arrest procedures
  - Recommendations for any statutory changes that may be needed

#### Goal is to include two types of data:

- Data that is relevant for better understanding the impact of specific statutory changes
- System-level data that allows us to see changes and trends, even if they cannot be directly connected to statutory changes

#### Will also include caveats:

- The first year of data following implementation of a new law should be viewed with caution – takes time to work data collection issues out
- Differences in interpretation regarding law enforcement arrest authority likely had impact on juvenile arrests and applications for complaint; may see numbers return closer to baseline in Year 2
- Positive impacts of legislation may take years to fully emerge and often cannot be captured by current data systems
- As detailed in our June 2019 Report, we have limited data availability for many key categories, particularly use of diversion

Statutory Change	Data Request (July 1, 2017 – July 1, 2019)
Raising the lower age	<ul> <li>Data on arrests of youth under 12 (EOPSS)</li> <li>Data on overnight arrests for youth under 12 (DYS)</li> <li>Data on applications for complaint and delinquency filings for youth under 12 (Juvenile Court)</li> <li>Data on DYS commitments for youth under 12 (DYS)</li> </ul>
First offense low- level misdemeanors	<ul> <li>Data on juvenile arrests (overall and for impacted offenses)         (EOPSS)</li> <li>Data on overnight arrests (overall and for impacted offenses) (DYS)</li> <li>Data on applications for complaint and delinquency filings (overall and for impacted offenses) (Courts)</li> <li>Data on DYS commitments (overall and for impacted offenses) (DYS)</li> </ul>

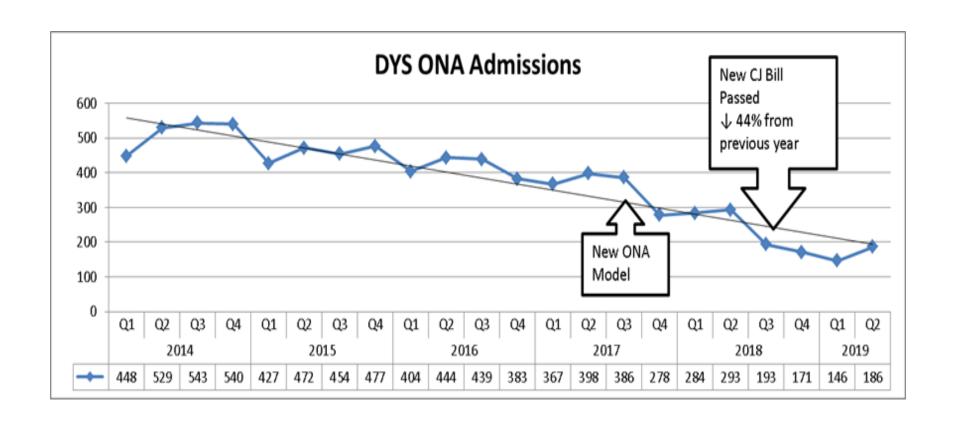
<b>Statutory Change</b>	Data Request (July 1, 2017 – July 1, 2019)
Decriminalizing school-based offenses	<ul> <li>Data on school-based arrests (DESE)</li> <li>Data on applications for complaint/delinquency filings for specific impacted school-based offenses (Courts)</li> </ul>
Changes to SRO procedures	<ul> <li>Data on school-based arrests (DESE)</li> <li>School exclusion data (DESE)</li> </ul>
Increased juvenile diversion opportunities	No data available
Revised juvenile arrest procedures	No relevant data



System Level Metrics	Data Request (July 1, 2017 – July 1, 2019)
Overall juvenile justice system use	# of juvenile arrests (EOPSS)  # of applications for complaint (Courts)  # of delinquency filings (Courts)  # of youth detained  # of arraignments (Courts)  Probation case loads (Probation)  # of DYS Commitments (DYS)
Use of other community-based services	# of CRA applications (Courts, DCF)  # of BSAS enrollments (DPH)  # of CBHI enrollments (CBHI)  # DMH Applications (DMH)  Juvenile Court Clinician evaluation data (DMH)  FRC data (DCF)



#### **Overnight Arrest Data**





#### **Overnight Arrest Data by County**

DYS ONA Admissions	by County		
	FY2018	FY2019	% Change
Barnstable	30	9	-70%
Berkshire	24	5	-79%
Bristol	157	58	-63%
Dukes	1	0	-100%
Essex	148	85	-43%
Franklin	12	5	-58%
Hampden	172	103	-40%
Hampshire	11	3	-73%
Middlesex	134	60	-55%
Norfolk	47	27	-43%
Plymouth	54	69	+28%
Suffolk	275	167	-39%
Worcester	176	105	-40%
Total	1241	696	-44%

- Plymouth only county that saw increase in ONA
- Drop otherwise relatively equitable across counties
- Use caution when looking at % change for counties with low base rates



## **ONA Data by Police Dept**

Police Department	FY20 18	FY20 19	Change
Boston	190	117	-38%
Springfield	68	44	-35%
Lowell	56	23	-59%
Worcester	53	22	-58%
Fall River	53	19	-64%
New Bedford	37	11	-70%
Lawrence	31	13	-58%
Holyoke	31	10	-68%
Brockton	14	25	79%
Methuen	23	14	-39%
Lynn	17	11	-35%
МВТА	11	11	0%
Chicopee	15	7	-53%
Haverhill	14	8	-43%
Salem	6	11	83%
Braintree	13	2	-85%
Barre	13	2	-85%

- List includes counties that had more than 10 arrests either year
- Brockton driving Plymouth County increase



### **ONA Data - Demographic**

DYS ONA Admissions by				
Age				
	FY2018	FY2019		
Ten	1	0	-100%	
 Eleven	1	0	-100%	
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Twelve	12	1		
			-92%	
Thirteen	59	10	-83%	
Fourteen	144	85	-41%	
Fifteen	245	152		
	2 13	132	-38%	
Sixteen	355	210		
			-41%	
Seventeen	423	237	-44%	
Eighteen	1	1	0%	
Total	1241	696	-44%	

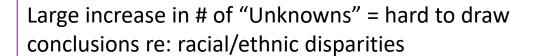
- 11% of total ONA drop can be attributed to drop in ONA of 10-13 year olds
- In other words, drop for 10-13 year olds accounts for 5 percentage points of the total 44% drop



### **ONA Data - Demographic**

DYS ONA Admissions			
	FY2018	FY2019	
American Indian or Alaska Native	1	2	+100%
Asian	11	3	-73%
Black or African American	389	182	-53%
Chooses not to self- identify	1	9	+800%
Hispanic	445	238	-47%
Multiracial	3	17	467%
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0	2	UND
Other	27	0	-100%
Unknown	14	126	+800%
White	350	117	-67%
Total	1241	696	-44%

DYS ONA Admissio Gender			
	FY2018	FY2019	
Female	307	168	-45%
Male	934	528	-43%
Total	1241	696	-44%





#### **Overnight Arrest Data**

DYS ONA Admissions By			
Penalty Type	FY2018	FY2019	Change
CIV	1	0	-100%
Felony	581	340	-41%
Misdemeanor	605	319	-47%
(No Data)	54	37	-31%
Total	1241	696	-44%

DYS ONA Admissions By			
MSO Grid	FY2018	FY2019	Change
Grid 0	11	24	118.18%
Grid 1	167	80	-52%
Grid 2	633	351	-45%
Grid 3	237	137	-42%
Grid 4	86	55	-36%
Grid 5	31	18	-42%
Grid 6	18	15	-17%
Grid 7	4	0	-100%
(No Data)	54	16	-70%
Total	1241	696	-44%

Drop in ONA relatively equitable, regardless of severity of offense, as measured by:

- Penalty type (misdemeanor vs felony)
- DYS's offenseseriousnesssorting Grid System



# **ONA Data by Arrest & Offense Type**

DYS ONA Admissions By Arrest Type	FY2018	FY2019	Change
Default Warrant	166	99	-40%
New Arrest	929	514	-44%
<b>Superior Court Warrant</b>	2	2	0%
<b>Violate Restr Order Warrant</b>	6	4	-33%
VOP Warrant	69	55	-20%
(No Data)	69	22	-68%
Total	1241	696	-44%

DYS ONA Admissions By Offense Type	FY2018	FY2019	Change
Drugs	52	25	-52%
Motor Vehicle	52	26	-50%
Person	535	343	-36%
Property	210	83	-60%
Public Order	267	165	-38%
Weapons	71	36	-49%
(No Data)	54	18	-67%
Total	1241	696	-44%



### **Data Dictionary**

#### Origin:

- Started with draft document from Leadership Forum/JDAI Data Committee
- Pulled additional information from agency websites, old data reports and the MGL

#### Purpose:

- Reference document for JJPAD members
- Collecting and documenting "data quirks" that may impact data interpretation or analysis
- Text that can be pulled for JJ Data Website
- Any other ways this document could be useful?



## **Data Dictionary**

#### Current Categories:

- Agency descriptions
- Unique identifiers
- Gender identity reporting
- Race/ethnicity collection/reporting
- Geographic area reporting
- Charge classifications
- Risk assessment tools used
- Major changes in MA Juvenile Justice laws
- Data considerations & limitations ("quirks")
- Glossary of Terms
- Are there other categories that would be useful?



# **Data Dictionary**

- What's Incorrect?
- What's Missing?
- Next Steps



## **Academic Partnerships**

- What are examples of successful academic partnerships?
  - What made them successful?
- Examples of less-than-successful academic partnerships?
- What research questions would you like to answer, but don't have the time to tackle?
- What are your worries/concerns about academic partnerships?
- What could help make these partnerships easier/more successful?



#### **Next Meeting Date**

October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2-4pm
 600 Washington – 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Room 2092



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