## YOUTH VILLAGES IN OREGON:

## SERVING THE MOST TROUBLED YOUTH, VASTLY IMPROVING OUTCOMES, AND CUTTING COSTS

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### **TODAY'S DISCUSSION**

#### An overview of Youth Villages (5 minutes)

- Who we are
- What we do

#### The Intercept<sup>®</sup> program (20 Minutes)

- What is it
- How it works
- Who we serve
- Continuum Support
- Outcomes: Youth with prior legal involvement

#### **Success stories (20 minutes)**

- Intercept<sup>®</sup> staff discuss experiences and families served

#### **Question and answer (15 minutes)**

### **MISSION AND VALUES**

# Youth Villages helps children and families live successfully.

- Kids' needs come first....always.
- Children are raised best by their families.
  - We provide a safe place.
- We strive to achieve positive, lasting results.
  - We are committed to our staff.
- We are each responsible for providing the highest level of service to our customers.
  - We constantly improve our performance to achieve excellence.
- We create new programs to meet the needs of children, family and the community.
  - We do what we say we do.

## YOUTH VILLAGES SERVICE ARRAY - NATIONALLY

#### 4,090 youth served daily:

- Intensive in-home
- Transitional living
- Residential treatment
- Foster care
- Case management
- Other therapeutic services
- Group homes
- Statewide mobile crisis
- Adoption
- 2,700 staff members
- \$189 million annual operating budget



#### YOUTH VILLAGES SERVICE ARRAY - OREGON

110 youth and families served 120 daily: Intensive in-home -100 **Transitional living** -Residential treatment -80 160 staff members Residential 60 \$9 million annual operating Transitional Living budget Intensive In Home 40 20

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## 1. Achieve long-term, successful outcomes for youth in the home

- Empower families to take responsibility for their children and to resolve problems independently whenever possible
- Ensure services rendered focus on providing families with the resources needed to address current and future mental health and behavioral issues

- 2. Reduce the overall cost of services through reduced length of stay per youth and treatment in the least restrictive environment
  - Decrease number of unnecessary out-of-home placements
  - Prevent disruptions from home-based setting resulting in placement in detention centers or hospitals

## 3. Increase the number of youth served by reducing the overall cost per youth

- Provide cost effective, successful services to states and localities
- Increase service capacity to ensure that all children and families have access to the most appropriate level of service they need

## **The Intercept<sup>®</sup> Program** What it is. How it works. Who we serve.

### **PROGRAM OVERVIEW**

#### Youth Villages developed Intercept® to

- Be structured enough for consistent implementation and positive results
- While flexible enough to serve a broad population of youth, families, and communities

#### •Used with youth and families involved in Juvenile Justice (and OYA), Child Welfare and Mental health

#### Designed to safely ensure youth and family success by:

- Diverting youth from out of home placements
- Reunifying youth with families after placement

#### •Currently available in 11 states

## **Key Components**

- Intensive services conducted in the child's home/community by a single intervention specialist
- Caseloads of only four or five youth/families per intervention specialist
- Family sessions conducted an average of *three times per week* (treatment, skills development, accountability)
- 24/7/365 on call and in person support to families
- High levels of staff training and supervision

## **KEY COMPONENTS (CONT.)**

- Average 4-6 months per case for diversion and up to 6-9 months per case for reunification
- Involvement in all systems affecting youth and family
- Assistance with concrete needs such as housing, healthcare, and employment
- Promotes reliance on natural support systems
- Master's-level specialists
- Specialists also trained in trauma focused-cognitive behavioral therapy and collaborative problem solving
- Continuous recruitment of bilingual specialists

## **TYPICAL REFERRAL ISSUES**

- Mood disorders
- Anxiety
- Delinquency
- Depression
- Conduct Disorder
- Oppositional Defiant Disorder
- Fire setting behaviors
- Homicidal ideations
- Inappropriate sexual behavior
- Involvement with courts
- History of trauma
- Physical abuse
- Physical aggression

- Runaway
- Self harm
- Substance use
- Suicidal ideation
- Theft/stealing behaviors
- Truancy
- Limited support
- Poor communication
- Family dynamics/barriers

The Intercept<sup>®</sup> specialist works with the referral source, family and others to assess specific strengths and needs in all systems including individual, family, peer, school and legal.

## SYSTEMIC COLLABORATION

### Areas of particular focus include:

- Mental health needs such as coping skills, trauma and substance use/abuse
- Family relationship and parenting skill development
- Communication between home and key stakeholders
- Academic performance, behavior/ attendance at school
- Peers, extracurricular activities and positive pro-social activities
- Compliance with probation agreement and other legal matters
- Rights of the youth and parents

## Youth Villages In-Home Outcomes (Nationally)

Includes only youth with prior legal involvement:

either on probation or had been in detention prior to program enrollment OR

were currently on probation or in detention at program enrollment.

## Youth with Prior Legal Involvement **Demographics**

Youth served July 2000 through June 2012 N = 10,618



#### **Race/Ethnicity**

#### Youth with Prior Legal Involvement Age Group Youth served July 2000 through June 2012 N = 10,618



#### Youth with Prior Legal Involvement Presenting Issues

Youth served July 2000 through June 2012 N = 10,618

More than 95% of youth have multiple presenting issues.



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#### Youth with Prior Legal Involvement Discharge Location Youth discharged July 2002 through June 2012

N = 9,832



Only includes youth who received at least 60 days of service; 11.8% (1,310 out of 11,142) of admissions ended prior to 60 days.

\*Other includes placements such as group homes, runaway, foster care and rehab centers

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### Youth with Prior Legal Involvement Success at Follow-up

Follow-ups conducted through June 2012

Success is defined as living with family or independently at the time of follow-up.



at least 60 days of service

## Youth with Prior Legal Involvement

Youth reporting NO Trouble with the Law

Follow-ups conducted through June 2012



Only includes youth who received at least 60 days of service

### Youth with Prior Legal Involvement School Status

Follow-ups conducted through June 2012

Indicates the percent of youth in school, graduated from high school, or in GED classes at the time of follow-up. 100% 90% 88% 82% 80% 60% 40% 20% 0% Six Months **Twelve Months Twenty-four Months** 

Only includes youth who received at least 60 days of service

### Youth with Prior Legal Involvement

Parent Satisfaction at Discharge

Parents surveyed October 2009 through June 2012



Only includes youth who received at least 60 days of service

## **About our Response Rates**

	Surveys through 06/12
Discharge Surveys	65.3% (4,821 out of 7,379)
6-Month Follow-up	60.7% (5,546 out of 9,141)
12-Month Follow-up	53.5% (4,416 out of 8,253)
24-Month Follow-up	45.3% (2,925 out of 6,460)

- Surveys are conducted by research staff via phone with letter surveys to non-respondents.
- Internet search of public records (Lexis-Nexis) is completed to locate accurate contact information
- While no consensus exists regarding adequate response rates, 40% - 60% has been identified as appropriate for surveys of this type and size<sup>1</sup>.
- Satisfaction surveys (conducted shortly after discharge) are only conducted with families who were involved in the youth's treatment.
- A new satisfaction survey was introduced in October 2009; figures reflect only responses to the new survey.

- Please note: Surveys are completed with youth/families who have discharged from YV services altogether. If a youth re-enters YV services, the survey cycle is reset and begins again at their discharge.
- Rate of re-entry into YV services: 6-Month Follow-up – 7.3% (715 out of 9,856) 12-Month Follow-up – 12.5% (1,183 out of 9,436) 24-Month Follow-up – 19.2% (1,532 out of 7,992)

<sup>1</sup>PWGSC (Public Works and Government Services Canada). (2008). Advisory Panel on Telephone Public Opinion Survey Quality: Standards and Guidelines for Response Rate.



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## **Success Stories**

## **Thank You!**

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