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In the Spotlight

Attorney General Hosts Expert Panel on Naloxone

On July 31, 2014, an expert panel convened to advise the U.S. Attorney General's Office on the development of a toolkit for law enforcement agencies interested in carrying naloxone. BJA, in partnership with the Drug Enforcement Administration, the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services, and the White House Office of National Drug Control Policy, hosted the meeting, which included public safety and public health experts from across the United States. Naloxone is a potentially life-saving drug known for effectively restoring breathing to a victim in the midst of a heroin or opioid overdose. Naloxone is increasingly being used by law enforcement agencies as a way to reduce overdose deaths since they are often first on the scene with potential overdose victims.



ONDCP Acting Director Botticelli, Attorney General Holder, OJP Principal Deputy AAG Leary, BJA Director O'Donnell (at podium)

As a result of this meeting, BJA will be working closely with the members of the expert panel and federal partners to produce a toolkit that will include comprehensive information a law enforcement agency would need to start a program. BJA will also be developing targeted technical assistance services that can be requested through BJA's National Training and Technical Assistance Center (NTTAC).

[Read more](#)

DID YOU KNOW?

BJA TTA Improved Correctional Information Sharing

Currently, many states are undertaking reentry initiatives to examine how improved information sharing among key partners in the reentry process can ensure more successful outcomes. Read BJA NTTAC's recent [TTA Spotlight](#) to learn how BJA-funded training and technical assistance to the Rhode Island Department of Corrections helped improve information sharing and collaboration among criminal justice and non-justice agencies.



FEATURED PROGRAM

BJA Fellow Discusses Integrating Evidence-Based Practices into Policing

Crime analysis is an important component of integrating evidence-based practices into policing. Read BJA NTTAC's recent [blog post](#), authored by BJA Crime Analysis Fellow, Dr. Laura Wyckoff, to learn more about training and technical assistance resources in crime analysis and how law enforcement agencies of all sizes can integrate approaches such as problem-oriented policing, hot spots policing, and community policing to reduce crime in their jurisdictions.



Dr. Wyckoff

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News You Can Use

BJS JAG Report

OJP's Bureau of Justice Statistics (BJS) released "[Justice Assistance Grant \(JAG\) Program, 2014](#)." The report describes steps used in the JAG formula calculation process to determine award amounts for states, local governments, and territories, and it presents summary results of the FY 2014 allocation amounts.

Criminology 101

BJA's Smart Policing Initiative will be hosting a webinar entitled "[Criminology 101](#)" on September 3, 2014. This webinar will examine 10 basic facts about crime and offer insights into how they can be used to reduce crime. Register now!

NYC Probation Report

With support from BJA and the National Institute of Corrections (NIC), Fox Valley Technical College released "[New York City Department of Probation's \(NYCDOP\) Federal Partnership Efforts](#)." This case study examines several questions to tell the story of how the BJA and NIC collaborative technical assistance partnership with NYCDOP made a difference in the successful implementation of NYCDOP's Evidence-Based Policy and Practice Plan, and what lessons can be learned from this experience.

Grants & Funding

All BJA FY 2014 competitive grant solicitations are now closed. For other funding opportunities available through OJP, visit ojp.gov/funding/solicitations.htm.

BJA expects to announce all FY 2014 grant awards by October 1, and they will be posted on the [OJP web site](#).

In Focus This Month

BJA and IACP Issue Groundbreaking Report

BJA, in partnership with the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP), released a seminal model policy regarding police interaction with children who are impacted when a parent is arrested and law enforcement carries out its investigative and arrest responsibilities.

Reflecting the collective input of a wide range of subject-matter experts and stakeholders, and understanding that interactions between children and law enforcement create lasting impressions, the resulting model policy, *Safeguarding Children of Arrested Parents*, provides strategies for law enforcement to improve their procedures and positively impact the communities they serve.

"Police officers are confronted with significant challenges and responsibilities when children are present or in need of care and supervision following the arrest of a parent," said BJA Director Denise E. O'Donnell. "We are pleased to partner with IACP on a new model policy that provides sound, practical, and child-focused guidance on how police can join with their community partners to best meet the needs of children in these difficult circumstances."

Law enforcement agencies can use the model policy as a resource and guide as they seek to enhance their policies and procedures and gain understanding about the trauma children experience when law enforcement carries out its investigative and arrest responsibilities.

Read the [press release](#) or the [model policy](#).



Public Safety Officers' Benefits (PSOB) Program

Enacted in 1976, the Public Safety Officers' Benefits (PSOB) Program provides death, disability, and education benefits to those eligible for the program. For details regarding these federal benefits for law enforcement officers, firefighters, and first responders killed or catastrophically disabled in the line of duty, call the PSOB Office toll-free at 888-744-6513 or 202-307-0635, or visit the PSOB [web site](#).

