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### Interactive Web-Based Tools

- **Collaborative Comprehensive Case Plan Tool (2017)**—Helps integrate critical behavioral health and criminogenic risk and needs information into collaborative and comprehensive case plans. [https://csgjusticecenter.org/nrrc/collaborative-comprehensive-case-plans](https://csgjusticecenter.org/nrrc/collaborative-comprehensive-case-plans)

- **Mental Health Court Curriculum (2013)**—Helps jurisdictions decide whether a mental health court is right for them; provides best practices to support the development of mental health courts. [http://learning.csgjusticecenter.org](http://learning.csgjusticecenter.org)

### Publications


- **Critical Connections: Getting People Leaving Prison and Jail the Mental Health Care and Substance Use Treatment They Need—What Policymakers Need to Know about Health Care Coverage (2017)**—Identifies questions state and local leaders should ask as part of their efforts to help people with mental health needs who are leaving prison and jail get community-based treatment. [https://csgjusticecenter.org/nrrc/publications/critical-connections/](https://csgjusticecenter.org/nrrc/publications/critical-connections/)


- **Stepping Up Initiative Overview (2018)**—Outlines the national initiative and highlights resources that provide counties with the tools they need to develop cross-systems, data-driven strategies that can lead to measurable reductions in the number of people with...

Data Collection Resources


- **Measuring Progress in Connecting Criminal Justice to Health: A How-to Guide to Performance Management for Practitioners (2018)**—Provides performance management strategies for practitioner agencies to measure the performance of initiatives to enroll people in Medicaid upon release from incarceration and connect them with health care services in the community. www.urban.org/research/publication/measuring-progress-connecting-criminal-justice-health

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