



N.C. Department of Public Safety
Division of Adult Correction and Juvenile Justice
FY 2021-2022 JCPC Intensive Intervention Services
Problem Sexual Behavior
Request for Proposals

I. Introduction and Scope of Services

The Department of Public Safety, Division of Adult Corrections and Juvenile Justice, Community Programs Section (hereafter, Department) ensures that every community in North Carolina has access to a continuum of services for its juvenile population. The continuum of services include those services titled Intensive Intervention services under Session Law 2020-83 (<https://www.ncleg.gov/Sessions/2019/Bills/House/PDF/H593v7.pdf>).

Intensive Intervention services are evidence-based or research-supported community-based or residential services that are necessary for a juvenile in order to (i) prevent the juvenile's commitment to a youth development center or detention facility, or (ii) facilitate the juvenile's successful return to the community following commitment. Intensive Intervention services shall be used for the purpose of providing intensive intervention services for juveniles of any disposition level, based on the needs of the juvenile, as ordered pursuant to G.S. 7B-2506 (See Attachment A).

With the new Raise the Age Legislation (<https://www.ncdps.gov/our-organization/juvenile-justice/key-initiatives/raise-age-nc>) in effect, an increasingly important piece of the continuum in Juvenile Justice is intensive intervention services. All adjudicated juveniles ages 10 and up, including juveniles who are ages 18 to 20 and still under the jurisdiction of juvenile court, may be accepted by Intensive Intervention services, as appropriate for the proposed model.

The Department reserves the right to release RFPs that are location or program type specific based on priority needs identified.

The Juvenile Community Programs Section is releasing this RFP to address a specific service need in the Juvenile Justice population. Throughout the state, there is an identified need for evidenced-based practices or evidence supported approaches to provide treatment for those juveniles displaying problematic sexual behavior and those who are charged with sexual offenses. Programs approved under this RFP will not be for preventative services, but for intensive intervention services that intervene with and treat the identified behavior.

II. Priorities

Under this RFP, priority will be given to applications proposing programming which:

- a) Serve the required target population; **(see Section III: Target Population, Proposed Programming and Service Area)**
- b) Provide evidence-based practices or evidence supported approaches for juveniles with problematic sexual behavior;
- c) Provide the identified services by districts or counties and are regional programs that are delivered through the collaborative efforts of two or more Juvenile Crime Prevention Councils; and
- d) Include on-going collaboration with court services personnel and other community partners.

III. Target Population, Proposed Programming and Service Area

Target Population includes juveniles who meet the below criteria. This juvenile population will, hereafter, be referred to as the "target population".

1. All adjudicated juveniles ages 10 and up, including juveniles who are ages 18 up to age 20 and still under the jurisdiction of juvenile court, may be accepted by Intensive Intervention services as appropriate for the proposed model.
2. Youth must be referred by a Juvenile Court Counselor.
3. The primary target populations for the identified services are juveniles who have received a Level II Disposition

and their parent(s)/guardian(s) and Level III juveniles transitioning from a Youth Development Center that are identified as needing this treatment.

4. Selected Level I adjudicated juveniles, with a Medium/High Risk or a Medium/High Needs Score may be referred.

Proposed Programming

Vendors must include in their response detailed narratives addressing how their program will:

- a) Include evidence-based practices or evidence supported approaches for juveniles who have displayed problematic sexual behaviors or who have been adjudicated of sexual offense.
 - Provide information regarding formal or informal training successfully completed, addressing the clinical treatment of juveniles with a history of problematic sexual behaviors (PSB), specifying training programs/faculty and treatment modalities.
- b) Complete clinically driven, holistic, developmentally sensitive, and comprehensive assessments of a juvenile prior to initiating treatment and upon completion of treatment.
 - Provide information regarding formal or informal training successfully completed, addressing the clinical assessment of juveniles with a history of problematic sexual behaviors (PSB), specifying training programs/faculty and assessment strategies.
- c) Complete ongoing assessments and clinically monitor juvenile's progress throughout treatment
- d) Offer a service component that focuses on family engagement and education about problematic sexual behaviors (PSB), PSB treatment, PSB treatment goals and expectations of caregivers during treatment.
- e) Engage in existing multi-disciplinary teams within the communities or provide a plan to create or participate in those multi-disciplinary teams. (Child and Family Teams are not the targeted example of a team for this multidisciplinary team reference.)
- f) Engage with Youth Development Centers, Group Homes, or Residential Treatment providers to help safely and efficiently transition juveniles to their home or to the community.
- g) Include the program's plan for ensuring fidelity and measuring effectiveness of the program.
- h) Submit data to the department regarding the juveniles they serve to include: juvenile and caregiver participation in services relative to clinical intervention requirements, clinical performance, clinical outcomes (pre and post treatment clinical assessment measures), and child welfare involvement.

Vendors must not:

- i) Utilize approaches that are identified as treatment with the adult sexual offender population; including but not limited to, conducting polygraphs or plethysmographs
- j) Only complete risk assessments regarding the behavior or utilize standardized assessments. Although often these types of assessments are required for the JJ population, they cannot be the only assessment used to measure a juvenile's progress in treatment.

Training:

Juvenile Community Programs recognizes the importance of evidence-based practices for this population. If a Vendor wishes to serve identified districts or counties (asterisked below) that do not currently have evidenced based practice providers for juveniles with problem sexual behavior, they should submit additional documentation supporting their plan for training along with all of the elements identified in this RFP.

Additional Documentation must include:

1. A Budget specific to training costs including the number of staff to be trained.
2. A timeline of training implementation; as well as a timeline to begin serving clients and to be at full capacity.
3. A plan to continue fidelity to the Evidence-Based Practice after training is complete.

Targeted Service Areas:

- a) The targeted service area is statewide.
- b) The Department intends to award to a single vendor or multiple vendors.
- c) Priority may be given to those vendors who propose to provide services in more than one county or more than one judicial district. **See Attachment A: DPS Area County and Judicial Districts**

IV. Eligibility

All applicants must:

- a) Be a public agency or private non-profit organization (14B NCAC 11B.0201);
- b) Submit proposals that clearly align with identified and documented service needs as assessed through the local Juvenile Crime Prevention Council (JCPC), or via collaboration between two or more JCPCs within a Judicial District or multiple Judicial Districts that recognize the service needs as identified in this RFP, and who also support these services for the target population;
- c) Demonstrate a proven track record of implementing residential and/or community-based intensive services for the youth described in this RFP, effective fiscal oversight, and collaboration with juvenile court services;
- d) Demonstrate organizational capacity for fiscal, programmatic, and administrative accountability, and the ability to begin operations quickly and efficiently; and
- e) Collaborate with juvenile court and other community partners to develop comprehensive service delivery, as identified by the service plan and Child and Family Team.

V. Funding Period

The funding period for this RFP is July 1, 2021, to June 30, 2022, and is contingent upon the availability of funds.

VI. Proposal Requirements and Submission Process

To be considered for funding, applicants must:

- a) Show that the proposed services meet an identified service need within the proposed geographic area(s) of service delivery to the target population;
- b) Complete and submit an on-line application in NCALLIES no later than 11:59 p.m. on March 5, 2021. The application can be accessed by [clicking here](#) and following the directions listed on the webpage. All Vendors must submit an application under the funding source, "Intensive Intervention" in NCALLIES.
- c) Choose a promising or effective program(s) from:

Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) Model Programs Guide

<http://www.ojjdp.gov/mpg>

or

Office of Justice Programs (OJP) CrimeSolutions.gov

<http://www.crimesolutions.gov/>

or

Results First Clearinghouse Database

<https://www.pewtrusts.org/en/research-and-analysis/data-visualizations/2015/results-first-clearinghouse-database>

or

Thoroughly demonstrate how proposed services are evidence-supported and reduce recidivism for the targeted population;

and

- d) **Not for profit organizations** must also upload the following documents into NCALLIES by the established due date and time in order for the application to be complete: 1) **No Overdue Tax Form**; 2) **DPS Conflict of Interest Form**; 3) **Proof of 501(c)(3) status**; and 4) **Non-profit agency's Conflict of Interest policy**.
- e) Host county JCPC electronic letter of approved support or an email offering support from the JCPC Chair (or member of the JCPC executive committee) must be uploaded with original program agreement, prior to awarding of funds if possible;
 - Please contact your Area Consultant or Area Office if the applicant is experiencing difficulty with acquiring the letter of support given the state of emergency at the time of this RFP release.
 - The letter of support must be uploaded to NCALLIES prior to the disbursement of funding for programs **awarded funds** and must be uploaded with the final approved application in NCALLIES by 11:59 p.m. on June 30, 2021.

NOTE: Letters of support must state, at a minimum, how the proposed services will:

- Address the targeted population,
- Fill a gap in the service delivery continuum within the local community/geographic region,

and

- Not duplicate efforts already being undertaken in the local community.

The Juvenile Crime Prevention Council Chairperson Directory may be found at the following link: [Click here.](#)

VII. Evaluation

Pursuant to Session Law 2020-83 HB 593, "The Juvenile Justice Section of the Division of Adult Correction and Juvenile Justice of the Department of Public Safety shall report to the Senate and House of Representatives Appropriations Subcommittees on Justice and Public Safety no later than March 1, 2006, and annually thereafter, on the results of intensive intervention services. Intensive intervention services are evidence-based or research-supported community-based or residential services that are necessary for a juvenile in order to (i) prevent the juvenile's commitment to a youth development center or detention facility or (ii) facilitate the juvenile's successful return to the community following commitment. Specifically, the report shall provide a detailed description of each intensive intervention service, including the numbers of juveniles served, their adjudication status at the time of service, the services and treatments provided, the length of service, the total cost per juvenile, and the six- and 12-month recidivism rates for the juveniles after the termination of program services."

Vendors must incorporate the Core Components in Attachment D: Core Components in their response.

VIII. Review Criteria for Proposals

Submitted proposals will be rated on:

- a) The degree in which requirements of this RFP are addressed;
- b) Provision of services with a large number of Level II youth who are most at-risk of being committed to a YDC. **See Attachment B:** Distinct Juveniles with a Sexual Offense Complaint FY 18-19 and FY 19-20 and **Attachment C:** Top 5 Sex Offense Charges in FY 18-19 and FY 19-20;
- c) Inclusion of collaboration among counties;
- d) Provision of services based upon research; and
- e) Presentation of a budget that matches the proposed services; and budget regarding training if requested in the response.

The Department may consider the following:

- a) Historically meeting and exceeding program goals/measurable objectives when providing services to this population;
- b) Evidence of the agency's capacity to administer a DPS funded program, including ability to comply with reporting and accountability requirements in a timely manner; and
- c) Demonstration of community support with cash or in-kind resources, including but not limited to, county appropriations or Medicaid reimbursements. (Proposals that include community cash or in-kind resources in the project budget must include documentation of the intent to provide that support and justification of the value claimed.) **NOTE: These funds require no local match;** however, services must be offered to children/families without any cost to the family.

IX. Selection Process

The Department's Statewide Review Team will review and rate proposals based on the information provided in the application and matching requirements of this RFP. The Statewide Review Team will present a funding decision to Department management for a final funding approval.

X. Timeline for RFP and Program Implementation

January 4, 2021 – March 5, 2021	Request for Proposals Advertised
January 25, 2021, at 2:00 pm January 29, 2021, at 10:00 am February 11, 2021, at 10:00 am February 22, 2021, at 2:00 pm	<p>Mandatory Information Sessions (virtual)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All interested applicants must attend <i>one</i> virtual Information Session, in order to be eligible for funding. • Applicants may select one of the Information Session dates and contact Katherine Hiott (katherine.hiott@ncdps.gov) to RSVP. • Registration for each session closes the day prior to the session.
March 5, 2021 By 11:59 pm	<p>Application Deadline</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application must be submitted in NCALLIES • All required attachments must be uploaded to the application in NCALLIES, under, "Upload Documents" • <u>Host</u> county JCPC electronic letter of approved support or email offering support from the JCPC Chair (or member of the JCPC executive committee) <u>must be uploaded with original program agreement, prior to awarding of funds if possible;</u> • Please contact your Area Consultant or Area Office if the applicant is experiencing difficulty with acquiring the letter of support, given the state of emergency at the time of this RFP release. The letter of support <i>must</i> be uploaded to NCALLIES prior to the disbursement of funding for programs awarded funds.
June 4, 2021	Anticipated notification of funding to applicants.
June 30, 2021	Revised, edited Program Agreement Application and JCPC letters of support are completed in NCALLIES.
July 1, 2021	Funding year begins (contingent upon the completion of the required documentation, corrections, and submission of electronic signatures in NCALLIES).

XI. Contact Information

Questions about this RFP should be directed to the DPS Area Consultant assigned to the county where services are being proposed. All questions generated from the RFP will be answered and posted on the DPS RFP posting site. **See Attachment E: DPS Area Consultant County Assignments.**

ATTACHMENT B: Distinct Juveniles with a Sexual Offense Complaint FY 18-19 and FY 19-20

Juvenile Resident County	Distinct Juveniles with Sex Offense Complaints	Distinct SO Juveniles Admitted to Detention within 90 days of Complaint Received and Detained Reason was not for YDC	Distinct SO Juveniles Committed to YDC after SO Complaint Received for the same or a new SO complaint	Distinct SO Juveniles Admitted to JJ Funded Programs in 2 Year Period
Alamance	30	1	0	11
Alexander	8	2	0	2
Alleghany	0	0	0	0
Anson	0	0	0	0
Ashe	1	1	0	0
Avery	4	0	0	1
Beaufort	2	0	0	0
Bertie	2	0	1	0
Bladen	0	0	0	0
Brunswick	17	5	0	5
Buncombe	20	0	0	8
Burke	10	1	0	11
Cabarrus	16	0	0	8
Caldwell	15	1	0	5
Camden	2	0	1	1
Carteret	5	0	0	2
Caswell	4	0	0	0
Catawba	29	1	0	15
Chatham	5	0	1	4
Cherokee	5	1	0	1
Chowan	3	0	0	2
Clay	3	0	0	1
Cleveland	10	2	0	1
Columbus	12	1	0	6
Craven	10	2	0	3
Cumberland	53	8	0	14
Currituck	1	0	1	0
Dare	1	0	0	1
Davidson	15	1	0	3
Davie	6	0	0	1
Duplin	6	0	0	3
Durham	8	1	0	5
Edgecombe	5	2	0	0
Forsyth	16	0	0	5
Franklin	1	0	0	1

Gaston	12	0	0	8
Gates	0	0	0	0
Graham	1	0	0	1
Granville	3	1	0	1
Greene	1	0	0	0
Guilford	51	2	0	29
Halifax	11	0	0	4
Harnett	11	2	1	4
Haywood	10	1	0	5
Henderson	8	0	0	4
Hertford	3	1	0	2
Hoke	9	3	0	1
Hyde	0	0	0	0
Iredell	36	9	0	16
Jackson	18	0	2	6
Johnston	22	0	0	4
Jones	2	0	0	1
Lee	8	0	0	3
Lenoir	12	1	0	3
Lincoln	12	2	0	7
Macon	7	2	0	1
Madison	2	1	0	0
Martin	4	1	0	3
McDowell	8	1	1	8
Mecklenburg	50	4	0	3
Mitchell	4	0	0	2
Montgomery	1	0	0	9
Moore	6	0	0	1
Nash	6	1	0	0
New Hanover	23	2	0	31
Northampton	1	1	0	1
Onslow	27	2	0	10
Orange	10	1	1	5
Pamlico	3	1	0	0
Pasquotank	1	0	0	0
Pender	16	7	0	9
Perquimans	8	0	0	4
Person	7	1	0	3
Pitt	21	2	0	5
Polk	1	0	1	0
Randolph	8	0	0	7
Richmond	3	0	0	2
Robeson	8	1	0	4
Rockingham	8	1	0	3
Rowan	11	1	0	6

Rutherford	6	1	0	0
Sampson	5	2	0	1
Scotland	4	1	0	0
Stanly	5	0	0	3
Stokes	2	1	0	2
Surry	9	1	0	3
Swain	1	0	0	0
Transylvania	2	0	0	0
Tyrrell	1	0	0	1
Union	30	0	0	12
Vance	2	1	0	1
Wake	39	1	0	20
Warren	1	0	0	0
Washington	0	0	0	0
Watauga	4	0	0	1
Wayne	3	0	0	1
Wilkes	8	2	0	4
Wilson	20	1	1	3
Yadkin	0	0	0	1
Yancey	5	0	0	1
Total	946	93	11	390

ATTACHMENT C: Top 5 Sex Offense Charges in FY 18-19 and FY 19-20 YTD

Top 5 Sex Offenses FY 18-19 and FY 19-20 YTD
1. Sexual battery (26%)
2. Indecent liberties between children (16%)
3. First-degree statutory sexual offense: person engages in a sexual act with a victim who is a child less than 13 years old and the defendant is at least 12 years old and greater than or equal to 4 years older than the victim. (14%)
4. Crime against nature (6%)
5. Second-degree forcible sexual offense: engages in a sexual act with another person by force and against the will of the other person (6%)

ATTACHMENT D: Core Components

- 1. Defined protocol for program services and delivery.** In **Section IV. #2 Operation** of the program application the applicant must briefly describe either a manual or protocol that designates the method and manner of service delivery including the suggested number of sessions, content, and flow. Evidence of the said manual, or protocol, may include: treatment/intervention outline, curriculum, workbook/instructor's manual, lesson plan(s), or, a script. Individual Service/Treatment Plans are expected to show evidence of involvement of the juvenile and family in planning and are to include the client- specific concerns to be addressed, the intervention strategies to be utilized by the program staff to address those issues, and the planned/recommended frequency/duration of contact. Interventions, strategies, curriculum, frequency and duration should clearly be consistent with the manual/protocol.
- 2. Staff Training.** The applicant must comply with **JCPC Policy and Procedure requirements, specific to the program type of services being delivered**, in regard to staff and volunteer orientation and training. Direct program service staff is to possess the necessary training requirements that include licenses when applicable, degrees, credentials, and certifications required for this program type. Training sessions in program service delivery, clinical supervision when applicable, case staffing and/or consultation sessions are to be documented and maintained.
- 3. Internal Program Monitoring and Corrective Action.** In **Section IV. #3 Staff Positions** of the program application the applicant must briefly describe an established process by which a specified staff member monitors the delivery of program services for the purpose of examining how closely actual implementation matches the model/ protocol. Deviations from the model/protocol are to be addressed through written corrective actions. All Corrective Action findings are to be specified in writing, monitored, documented, and addressed accordingly.
- 4. Staff Evaluation.** In **Section IV. #3 Staff Positions** of the program application the applicant must briefly describe how staff will be evaluated on a specified schedule for compliance with the program/JCPC policies and model/protocol. Staff development plans are to be documented and implemented to address deviations and violations of program policies, models, or protocols. Overall work performance is to be formally and specifically appraised. Areas of improvement are to be identified including the knowledge, skills, and abilities necessary for enhancing program service delivery including, but not limited to customer service.
- 5. Program Effectiveness.** In **Section III. #5 Program Evaluation** of the program application the applicant must briefly describe program protocol for determining and evaluating the effectiveness of its delivery of program services with all accepted referrals. This protocol must include a standardized approach for collecting, maintaining, and sharing effectiveness data.

ATTACHMENT E: DPS Area Consultant County Assignments

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Lance Britt 1. Bladen 2. Brunswick 3. Columbus 4. Hoke 5. Onslow 6. Robeson 7. Scotland	Treneice Townes 1. Camden 2. Chowan 3. Currituck 4. Dare 5. Gates 6. Pasquotank 7. Perquimans 8. Pitt	Megan Webster 1. Avery 2. Burke 3. Caldwell 4. Catawba 5. Madison 6. Mitchell 7. Watauga 8. Yancey	Rich Smith 1. Alleghany 2. Ashe 3. Forsyth 4. Stokes 5. Surry 6. Wilkes 7. Yadkin
Denise Briggs 1. Alamance 2. Chatham 3. Orange 4. Wake	Nancy Hodges 1. Carteret 2. Craven 3. Duplin 4. Greene 5. Jones 6. Lenoir 7. Pamlico 8. Wayne	Regina Arrowood 1. Cleveland 2. Gaston 3. Henderson 4. Lincoln 5. McDowell 6. Polk 7. Rutherford 8. Transylvania	Ronald Tillman 1. Anson 2. Guilford 3. Randolph 4. Richmond 5. Union
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