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**LAW ENFORCEMENT**
Without adequate training and access to community-based mental health resources, law enforcement officers face tremendous obstacles in responding to people with mental illness. This section identifies resources for local law enforcement agencies looking to address mental health issues.

- **Statewide Law Enforcement/Mental Health Efforts: Strategies to Support and Sustain Local Initiatives (2012):** Product of a project supported by the Bureau of Justice Assistance. It examines how states have developed structures and standards to make police encounters with people with mental illnesses safer for all involved and to produce better mental health and criminal justice system outcomes. The report offers a starting point for policymakers, practitioners, and others interested in planning or enhancing a statewide initiative that will support local-level specialized policing responses (SPRs) such as crisis intervention and law enforcement/mental health co-response teams. https://www.bja.gov/Publications/CSG_StatewideLEMH.pdf

  http://csgjusticecenter.org/jc/publications/statewide-law-enforcementmental-health-efforts-strategies-to-support-and-sustain-local-efforts/

- **Improving Responses to People with Mental Illnesses – Tailoring Law Enforcement Initiatives to Individual Jurisdictions (2010):** Explores the program design process, including detailed examples from several communities from across the country. It is meant to assist initiative leaders and agents of change who want to select or adapt program features from models that will be most effective in their communities. This project was coordinated by the Council of State Governments Justice Center with support from the Bureau of Justice Assistance, U.S. Department of Justice. https://www.bja.gov/Publications/CSG_LE_Tailoring.pdf

  http://csgjusticecenter.org/law-enforcement/publications/improving-responses-to-people-with-mental-illnesses-tailoring-law-enforcement-initiatives-to-individual-jusrisdictions/

- **A Guide to Implementing Police-Based Diversion Programs for People with Mental Illness (January 2004):** Summarizes what law enforcement agencies are doing across the country to improve their responses to people with mental illness and explores how these agencies have overcome barriers to create and maintain effective programs by collaborating with the mental health community. http://gainscenter.samhsa.gov/pdfs/jail_diversion/PERF.pdf

- **Consensus Project Report (June 2002):** Offers detailed recommendations, endorsed by leaders representing law enforcement and mental health systems across the country, to help policymakers and practitioners improve outcomes of law enforcement encounters with people with mental illness. http://csgjusticecenter.org/jc/publications/the-consensus-project-report/

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- **Improving Responses to People with Mental Illnesses – The Essential Elements of a Specialized Law Enforcement-Based Program (2008):** Describes the 10 important program elements that jurisdictions should consider when planning, implementing or enhancing a specialized law enforcement–based response.
  https://www.bja.gov/publications/le_essential_elements.pdf

  http://csgjusticecenter.org/law-enforcement/publications/improving-responses-to-people-with-mental-illnesses-the-essential-elements-of-a-specialized-law-enforcement-based-program/

- **Improving Responses to People with Mental Illnesses – Strategies for Effective Law Enforcement Training (2008):** Reviews common challenges to developing training for officers' interactions involving people with mental illnesses, and synthesizes the key lessons learned by jurisdictions that have implemented recruit or in-service programs. Discusses which individuals can best serve as trainers, how they can be identified, what preparation and support they require, what teaching techniques are most effective, and how planners can design training to improve outcomes from these encounters.
  https://www.bja.gov/Publications/Strategies_%20for_LE_Training.pdf

  http://csgjusticecenter.org/law-enforcement/publications/improving-responses-to-people-with-mental-illnesses-strategies-for-effective-law-enforcement-training/

- **Criminal Justice/Mental Health Learning Sites:** These "learning sites" serve as centers for peer-to-peer learning for other criminal justice and mental health agencies and organizations. To date, the Justice Center and BJA have identified five mental health courts and six law enforcement agencies that use a range of effective responses to people with mental illnesses involved with the criminal justice system.
  http://csgjusticecenter.org/mental-health/learning-sites/

- **Law Enforcement Response to People with Mental Illnesses: A Guide to Research-Informed Policy and Practice (2009):**
  The guide examines studies on law enforcement interactions with people with mental illnesses and translates the findings to help policymakers and practitioners develop safe and effective interventions.
  http://csgjusticecenter.org/law-enforcement/publications/law-enforcement-responses-to-people-with-mental-illnesses-a-guide-to-research-informed-policy-and-practice/

- **Navigating the Mental Health Maze – A Guide for Court Practitioners (May 2005):**
  Provides a crash course for any and all criminal justice professionals who are interested in better understanding mental illness and the mental health system.
  http://csgjusticecenter.org/courts/publications/navigating-the-mental-health-maze-a-guide-for-court-practitioners-2/

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**COURTS**
People with mental illness appear repeatedly before judges and cycle in and out of jail for low-level crimes which are often the result of untreated mental illness. This section identifies resources for mental health courts or other court-based initiative targeting defendants with a mental illness.

- **Judges Leadership Initiative (JLI):**  The JLI's mission is to support and enhance the efforts of judges who have already taken leadership roles on criminal justice/mental health issues, and promote leadership among more judges to address the overrepresentation of people with mental illnesses in the criminal justice system.  The JLI provides resources designed to help adult criminal court judges improve their courts' responses to people with mental illnesses and encourage systemic change in the criminal justice and mental health systems. http://csgjusticecenter.org/courts/judges-leadership-initiative/

- **Developing a Mental Health Court – An Interdisciplinary Curriculum:** *Developing a Mental Health Court* includes material on a wide range of topics critical to starting and operating a mental health court. Content includes key principles in behavioral health and criminal justice, including material on diagnoses and treatment modalities, assessment for behavioral health and criminogenic needs, and defendants' legal rights, as well as descriptions of the various practitioners in the mental health, substance abuse, and criminal justice systems. The curriculum also introduces considerations for convening the right stakeholders, determining whether to start a mental health court, selecting a "target population" for the program, setting program policies, developing and monitoring treatment plans and supervision conditions, and sustaining a mental health court, including data collection and evaluation. http://learning.csgjusticecenter.org/

- **The Judges' Criminal Justice/Mental Health Leadership Initiative References for Justice System Practitioners:**  A product of the Judges' Criminal Justice/Mental Health Leadership Initiative available for purchase, these guides are intended for judges involved with criminal justice/mental health initiatives in their communities..
    - **Judges' Guide to Mental Health Jargon, Second Edition (Published 2012)**
    - **Judges' Guide to Juvenile Mental Health Jargon (Published 2012)**
    - **Judges' Guide to Mental Health Diversion (Published 2010)**
  http://www.prainc.com/the-judges-criminal-justicemental-health-leadership-initiative-references-for-justice-system-practitioners/

- **Mental Health Court Culture – Leaving Your Hat at the Door (November 2009):** Published by the National Center for State Courts, this resource introduces a model approach to communication among members of a mental health court team. http://cdm16501.contentdm.oclc.org/cdm/ref/collection/spcts/id/209

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- **Transforming Florida's Mental Health System (November 2007):** Final report of the Mental Health Subcommittee of the Supreme Court of Florida. Includes detailed planning, leadership, financing, and service development recommendations to improve Florida's public mental health system and prevent unnecessary justice system involvement.
  http://www.floridasupremecourt.org/pub_info/documents/11-14-2007_Mental_Health_Report.pdf

- **A Guide to Collecting Mental Health Court Outcome Data (May 2005):** Describes practical strategies for collecting data and evaluating the effectiveness of mental health courts. Written for mental health court practitioners and policymakers who want to measure the impact of court-based programs.
  http://csgjusticecenter.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/05/MHC-Outcome-Data.pdf

- **A Guide to Mental Health Court Design and Implementation (May 2005):** Explains critical issues such as determining whether to establish a mental health court, defining the target population, ensuring confidentiality, sustaining the court, and other key considerations. http://csgjusticecenter.org/courts/publications/a-guide-to-mental-health-court-design-and-implementation/

- **A Guide to the Role of Crime Victims in Mental Health Courts (2008):** Details how the nontraditional operations of mental health courts contribute to limited victims' rights policies. The guide outlines how standard rights adhered to in these proceedings can be adapted for mental health court operations. http://csgjusticecenter.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/12/guidetocvinmhc.pdf

- **Improving Responses to People with Mental Illnesses – Essential Elements of a Mental Health Court (2007):** Outlines 10 elements essential to mental health court design and implementation and provides background on why each element is important and how courts can adhere to it.
  http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/pdf/MHC_Essential_Elements.pdf

- **A Judges' Primer on Mental Illness, Addictive Disorders, Co-occurring Disorders, and Integrated Treatment:** A one-page reference, written for judges, on mental illness, addictive disorders, co-occurring disorders, and integrated treatment.
  http://www.pacenterofexcellence.pitt.edu/documents/judges-primer.pdf

- **Justice, Treatment, and Cost – An Evaluation of the Fiscal Impact of Allegheny County Mental Health Court (2007):** Special courts that sentence people with mental illnesses who are convicted of misdemeanors and low-level felonies to treatment instead of jail have the potential to save taxpayers money, according to a RAND Corporation study conducted for the Council of State Governments Justice Center.
  http://www.rand.org/pubs/technical_reports/TR439/

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- **Mental Health Courts – A Primer for Policymakers and Practitioners (2008):** Presents an overview and history of mental health courts. It describes mental health courts' goals and processes, how they differ from drug courts, research findings about their effectiveness, and resources for jurisdictions interested in starting a program. http://csgjusticecenter.org/courts/publications/mental-health-courts-a-primer-for-policymakers-and-practitioners/

- **National Center for Mental Health and Juvenile Justice (NCMHJJ) – Blueprint for Change – A Comprehensive Model for the Identification and Treatment of Youth with Mental Health Needs in Contact with the Juvenile Justice System (2007):**
  Full Report: http://www.ncmhjj.com/wp-content/uploads/2013/07/2007_Blueprint-for-Change-Full-Report.pdf
  Research and Program Brief: http://www.ncmhjj.com/wp-content/uploads/2013/07/2006_A-Blueprint-for-Change.pdf

- **Juvenile Diversion Guidebook –** While diversion has been discussed and practiced for nearly four decades, there is little consistency in what actually constitutes a diversion program or process. This guidebook, created for the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation's Models for Change program, offers juvenile justice practitioners a roadmap for developing diversion programs designed to minimize a youth's involvement with the criminal justice system. http://modelsforchange.net/publications/301

- **Mental Health Screening within Juvenile Justice – The Next Frontier**: Systematic mental health screening is a key strategy for addressing the mental health needs of youth in the juvenile justice system. As this practice has become more routine within the field, new issues have arisen. This report, a John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation Models for Change publication, discusses screening procedures, policies, and implementation, and includes resources for identifying and reviewing mental health screening tools. Protocols are also provided for administering the MAYSI-2, one of the most widely used mental health screening instruments within juvenile justice settings. http://www.modelsforchange.net/publications/198

- **Risk Assessment in Juvenile Justice – A Guidebook for Implementation**: Risk assessment within the field of juvenile justice is the practice of using a structured tool to classify a youth's risk for reoffending and to identify factors that might reduce that risk on an individual basis. Risk assessment tools facilitate both the decision-making process associated with youth's placement and supervision and the creation of intervention plans that reduce the risk of reoffending. This guidebook, a John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation publication, provides a structure for jurisdictions, juvenile probation, and centralized statewide agencies to implement or improve risk assessment practices. http://modelsforchange.net/publications/346

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- **Trauma among Youth in the Juvenile Justice System: Critical Issues and New Directions**. The prevalence of trauma among children and youth in the general population is substantial, with some estimates as high as 25 percent. The prevalence of trauma among youth involved with the juvenile justice system is believed to be even higher, with studies reporting rates of post-traumatic stress disorder between 3 and 50 percent. This paper, a publication of the NCMHJJ, discusses the prevalence and impact of trauma and traumatic stress among youth involved with the juvenile justice system, as well as emerging responses for identifying and treating these problems. http://www.ncmhjj.com/wp-content/uploads/2013/07/2007_Trauma-Among-Youth-in-the-Juvenile-Justice-System.pdf

- **Juvenile Justice Resource Series**: The Technical Assistance Partnership for Child and Family Mental Health developed this resource series to help communities address the mental health and related needs of young people involved, or at risk of involvement, with the juvenile justice system. Each brief examines a unique aspect of serving this population within each system of care. http://www.tapartnership.org/content/juvenileJustice/resourceseries.php

- **National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges (NCJFCJ) – Mentally Ill Youths and the Juvenile Justice System – A Primer on Mental Health Disorders (2003):** http://www.pacenterofexcellence.pitt.edu/documents/mentallyillyouths.pdf

- **Criminal Justice/Mental Health Learning Sites:** These "learning sites" serve as centers for peer-to-peer learning for other criminal justice and mental health agencies and organizations. To date, the Justice Center and BJA have identified five mental health courts and six law enforcement agencies that use a range of effective responses to people with mental illnesses involved with the criminal justice system. http://csgjusticecenter.org/mental-health/learning-sites/

- **Navigating the Mental Health Maze – A Guide for Court Practitioners (May 2005):** Provides a crash course for any and all criminal justice professionals who are interested in better understanding mental illness and the mental health system. http://csgjusticecenter.org/courts/publications/navigating-the-mental-health-maze-a-guide-for-court-practitioners-2/

- **Mental Health Courts – A Guide to Research-Informed Policy and Practice (2009):** Reviews the design and function of mental health courts, outcomes of mental health court participation, and questions and implications for policy and practice. This guide is intended to assist policymakers and practitioners in assessing the utility of mental health courts. http://csgjusticecenter.org/courts/publications/mental-health-courts-a-guide-to-research-informed-policy-and-practice/

- **Problem-Solving Justice Toolkit:** Interactive resource providing guidance on the planning and implementation of problem-solving courts.
  http://cdm16501.contentdm.oclc.org/cdm/ref/collection/spcts/id/147

## CORRECTIONS

The number of people with mental illness who are in prison or jail, or under probation or parole supervision, has increased dramatically in recent years. This section identifies resources for initiatives targeting people with mental illness upon their admission to jail or prison, while they are incarcerated, and after they are released to the community to the supervision of probation and/or parole.

- **Adults with Behavioral Health Needs Under Correctional Supervision – A Shared Framework for Reducing Recidivism and Promoting Recovery (2012):** This report provides a practical framework to assist corrections, mental health, and substance abuse policymakers and professionals to work collaboratively at the systems level to prioritize scarce treatment and supervision resources for the large number of adults with mental health and substance use disorders who cycle through the criminal justice system.
  http://nicic.gov/Library/026605

  http://csgjusticecenter.org/mental-health/publications/behavioral-health-framework/

- **A Ten-Step Guide to Transforming Probation Departments to Reduce Recidivism (2011):** provides probation leaders with a roadmap to overhaul the operations of their agencies so they can increase public safety in their communities and improve rates of compliance among people they are supervising.
  http://csgjusticecenter.org/corrections/publications/ten-step-guide-to-transforming-probation-departments-to-reduce-recidivism/

- **Reentry Housing Options: The Policymakers' Guide (2010):** The policy guide provides practical steps that lawmakers and others can take to increase public safety through better access to affordable housing for individuals released to the community. It offers an overview of several commonly accessed housing options and also examines three distinct approaches to increasing the availability of these options: improving access, increasing housing stock and revitalizing neighborhoods.
  https://www.bja.gov/Publications/CSG_Reentry_Housing.pdf

- **Transition from Jail to Community (TJC) Implementation Toolkit:** This web-based learning resource is designed to guide jurisdictions through implementation of the TJC model, in whole or in part. The Toolkit serves as a hands-on resource for users interested in jail reentry, whether in a criminal justice or community-based organization. Users can navigate the nine modules at their own pace. Toolkit modules incorporate examples from jurisdictions across the country, tools developed to facilitate

implementation in the six current TJC learning sites, resource suggestions, and detailed content.
http://www.urban.org/projects/tjc/Toolkit/
http://wws.jailtransition.com/Toolkit

- **Psychiatric Services – Prevalence of Serious Mental Illness Among Jail Inmates (June 2009):** Study that documents the high percentage of people with mental illnesses in jail.
http://ps.psychiatryonline.org/doi/pdfplus/10.1176/ps.2009.60.6.761

- **Brief Jail Mental Health Screen (2005):** The BJMHS assesses incoming detainees for the possibility of having a serious mental illness such as schizophrenia, bipolar disorder, or major depression.
http://gainscenter.samhsa.gov/topical_resources/bjmhs.asp

- **Improving Responses to People with Mental Illnesses: The Essential Elements of Specialized Probation Initiatives (2009):** Identifies 10 key components found in successful initiatives to improve outcomes for people with mental illnesses under probation supervision. This first-of-its-kind report provides specific recommendations to probation and mental health policymakers and practitioners for effectively responding to this population's complex treatment and service needs while improving public safety and health.
http://csgjusticecenter.org/cp/publications/improving-responses-to-people-with-mental-illnesses-the-essential-elements-of-specialized-probation-initiatives/

- **Bureau of Justice Statistics – Mental Health Problems of Prison and Jail Inmates (September, 2006):** http://bjs.ojp.usdoj.gov/content/pub/pdf/mhppji.pdf

- **Collaboration Assessment Tool:** Enables leaders in corrections or mental health organizations to assess their current level of collaboration and chart a course for improving collaboration in four categories: knowledge base, systems, services, and resources. http://csgjusticecenter.org/mental-health-projects/cp-technical-assistance/technical-assistance-tools/collaboration-assessment-tool/

- **Consensus Project Report:** Offers detailed recommendations, endorsed by leaders representing jail, prison, community correction, and mental health systems across the country, to help policymakers and practitioners improve corrections-based responses to people with mental illness. (June 2002)
http://csgjusticecenter.org/jc/publications/the-consensus-project-report/

- **Navigating the Mental Health Maze – A Guide for Court Practitioners (May 2005):** Provides a crash course for any and all criminal justice professionals who are interested in better understanding mental illness and the mental health system.
http://csgjusticecenter.org/courts/publications/navigating-the-mental-health-maze-a-guide-for-court-practitioners-2/

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- **Improving Outcomes for People with Mental Illnesses under Community Corrections Supervision – A Guide to Research-Informed Policy and Practice (2009):** This guide draws on three different literatures—research on community corrections supervision strategies, mental health treatment strategies, and integrated supervision and treatment strategies to assist corrections and mental health professionals in designing and implementing interventions that are informed by the latest evidence about what works, for whom, and under what circumstances.
http://csgjusticecenter.org/cp/publications/improving-outcomes-for-people-with-mental-illnesses-under-community-corrections-supervision-a-guide-to-research-informed-policy-and-practice/

- **Bazelon Center - Lifelines - Linking to Federal Benefits for People Exiting Corrections - Blueprint for Action (2009):**
http://bazelon.org/News-Publications/Publications/List/1/CategoryID/7/Level/a/ProductID/6.aspx?SortField=ProductNumber,ProductNumber

- **Bazelon Center - Creating New Options – Training for Corrections Administrators and Staff on Access to Federal Benefits for People with Mental Illnesses Leaving Jail or Prison (2007):** This manual describes the needs of individuals with mental illnesses who are incarcerated in jail and prison and explains how correctional staff can help them access the federal benefits that can enable them to make a successful transition to the community.
http://bazelon.org/News-Publications/Publications/List/1/CategoryID/7/Level/a/ProductID/22.aspx?SortField=ProductNumber,ProductNumber

- **Bazelon Center - Building Bridges - An Act to Reduce Recidivism by Improving Access to Benefits for Individuals with Psychiatric Disabilities upon Release from Incarceration (2002):** Provides a template for developing legislation targeting access to entitlement benefits for individuals re-entering the community from correctional settings.
http://www.policyarchive.org/handle/10207/bitstreams/17627.pdf

**GAINS CENTER EBPs**
In the field of mental health, the term evidence-based practices (EBPs) refers to interventions that have been rigorously tested, have yielded consistent, replicable results, and have proven safe, beneficial, and effective for most people diagnosed with mental illness. Identifying "what works" and applying the evidence-based knowledge to program development is critically important to the field to assure the use of best practices in mental health service provision. Too few people with serious mental illness who are justice involved receive comprehensive and appropriate services. The GAINS Center's EBP initiative is intended to help close this treatment

gap by promoting the adaptation and use of EBPs with those that are justice-involved. The GAINS center has turned the results of a series of expert panel meetings into factsheets that address the following:

- **Assertive Community Treatment (ACT):**
http://gainscenter.samhsa.gov/pdfs/ebp/ExtendingAssertiveCommunity.pdf
- **Supported Employment:**
http://gainscenter.samhsa.gov/pdfs/ebp/Supported_Employment.pdf
- **Illness Self-Management and Recovery:**
http://gainscenter.samhsa.gov/pdfs/ebp/IllnessManagement.pdf
- **Integrated Treatment for Co-Occurring Mental Health and Substance Use Disorders:**
http://gainscenter.samhsa.gov/pdfs/ebp/IntegratingMentalHealth.pdf
- **Evidence-Based Housing:**
http://gainscenter.samhsa.gov/pdfs/ebp/MovingTowardEvidence-BasedHousing.pdf
- **Trauma Specific Interventions:**
http://gainscenter.samhsa.gov/pdfs/ebp/TraumaSpecificInterventions.pdf
- **Cognitive Behavioral Therapy:** http://gainscenter.samhsa.gov/cms-assets/documents/69181-899513.rottercarr2010.pdf
- **Motivational Interviewing:**
http://gainscenter.samhsa.gov/pdfs/ebp/Motivational_Interviewing2011.pdf

**VETERANS**
- **Leveling the Playing Field: Practical Strategies for Increasing Veterans' Involvement in Diversion and Reentry Programs (July 2009):**
http://gainscenter.samhsa.gov/pdfs/veterans/levelingthefield_veterans.pdf

- **Responding to the Needs of Justice-Involved Combat Veterans with Service-Related Trauma and Mental Health Conditions (August 2008):**
http://gainscenter.samhsa.gov/pdfs/veterans/CVTJS_Report.pdf

- **SAMHSA - Major Depressive Episode and Treatment for Depression among Veterans Aged 21 to 39 (November 2008):**
http://www.oas.samhsa.gov/2k8/veteransDepressed/veteransDepressed.pdf

- **Bureau of Justice Statistics – Veterans in Prison or Jail (January 2000):**
http://bjs.ojp.usdoj.gov/content/pub/pdf/vpj.pdf

- **Guide to VA Mental Health Services for Veterans & Families (January 2011):**
http://www.mentalhealth.va.gov/docs/Guide_to_VA_Mental_Health_Srvcs_FINAL12-20-10.pdf

- **Federal Benefits for Veterans, Dependents & Survivors:**
http://www.va.gov/opa/publications/benefits_book/federal_benefits.pdf

- **Veterans' Administration – Guidebook For Veterans Incarcerated In Florida, Southern Georgia, Puerto Rico, And The U.S. Virgin Islands:** http://www.va.gov/HOMELESS/docs/Reentry/09_fl.pdf

- **Center for the Study of Traumatic Stress (CSTS) – Workgroup on Intervention with Combat Injured Families (2009):** http://www.cstsonline.org/workgroup-on-intervention-with-combat-injured-families/

- **Principles for Caring for Combat Injured Families and their Children:** http://www.cstsonline.org/principles-of-caring-for-combat-injured-families-and-their-children/


**MISCELLANEOUS TOPICS/ARTICLES**

- **GAINS Center/CSG Justice Center – Guidelines for the Successful Transition of People with Behavioral Health Disorders from Jail and Prison (2013):** http://gainscenter.samhsa.gov/cms-assets/documents/143496-555803.guidelines-document.pdf?utm_source=CSG+Justice+Center+Primary+List&utm_campaign=c59892e828-12_12_13_Guidelines_for_the_Successful_Transition&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_db9d88bcfb-c59892e828-42334729

- **CSG Justice Center – Lessons from the States: Reducing Recidivism and Curbing Corrections Costs Through Justice Reinvestment (2013):** https://www.bja.gov/Publications/CSG_State-Lessons-Learned-Recidivism.pdf

  http://csgjusticecenter.org/jr/publications/lessons-from-the-states/

- **CSG Justice Center – Implications of the Affordable Care Act on People Involved with the Criminal Justice System (2013):** http://csgjusticecenter.org/mental-health/publications/implications-of-the-affordable-care-act-on-people-involved-with-the-criminal-justice-system/

- **SAMHSA, CMHS – Behavioral Health, United States, 2012 (2014):** http://www.samhsa.gov/data/sites/default/files/2012-BHUS.pdf

- **CSG Justice Center – Information Sharing in Criminal Justice-Mental Health Collaborations – Working with HIPAA and Other Privacy Laws (2010):** This guide is intended to help criminal justice officials work with health professionals to better use both systems' information, when appropriate, to reduce criminal justice involvement among people with mental illnesses and provide better links to treatment. https://www.bja.gov/Publications/CSG_CJMH_Info_Sharing.pdf

http://csgjusticecenter.org/mental-health/publications/information-sharing-in-criminal-justice-mental-health-collaborations-working-with-hipaa-and-other-privacy-laws/

- **CSG Justice Center and NASMHPD – Responding to a High-Profile, Tragic Incident Involving a Person with a Serious Mental Illness – A Toolkit for State Mental Health Commissioners (2010):** The toolkit provides information on practical communications and leadership; advice before, during and after an incident; briefings on key topics; and fact sheets; checklists and other resources—with a particular emphasis on what the research shows about the perceived link between mental illness and violence. http://www.nasmhpd.org/docs/publications/docs/2010/ViolenceToolkit_Bkmk.pdf

  http://csgjusticecenter.org/cp/publications/responding-to-a-high-profile-tragic-incident-involving-a-person-with-a-serious-mental-illness/

- **GAINS Center – Getting Inside the Black Box – Understanding How Jail Diversion Works (August 2010):** http://gainscenter.samhsa.gov/cms-assets/documents/93753-443918.getting-inside-the-black-box.pdf

- **National Association of Counties (NACo) - Crisis Care Services for Counties - Preventing Individuals with Mental Illnesses from Entering Local Corrections Systems (June 2010):** http://www.naco.org/newsroom/pubs/Documents/Health,%20Human%20Services%20and%20Justice/CrisisCarePublication.pdf

- **SOAR (SSI/SSDI, Outreach, Access and Recovery)** – An approach to expedite access to entitlement benefits that was developed as a federal technical assistance initiative targeting individuals with mental illnesses who are homeless: http://www.prainc.com/soar/

- **BMC Psychiatry – Involvement in the US criminal justice system and cost implications for persons treated for schizophrenia (January 2010):** http://www.biomedcentral.com/content/pdf/1471-244x-10-11.pdf

- **Ending an American Tragedy – Addressing the Needs of Justice-Involved People with Mental Illnesses and Co-Occurring Disorders (September 2009):** http://gainscenter.samhsa.gov/pdfs/nlf/AmericanTragedy.pdf

- **Future Trends in State Courts, 2009 – Eleventh Judicial Circuit Criminal Mental Health Project:** http://contentdm.ncsconline.org/cgi-bin/showfile.exe?CISOROOT=/spcts&CISOPTR=201

- **The Annapolis Coalition on the Behavioral Health Workforce:** http://www.annapoliscoalition.org/

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- **Jail Diversion Strategies for Persons with Serious Mental Illness – A Guide for Mental Health Planning + Advisory Councils (2005):**
  http://www.namhpac.org/PDFs/01/jaildiversion.pdf

- **The Advocacy Handbook (2006):** http://csgjusticecenter.org/mental-health-projects/cp-technical-assistance/technical-assistance-tools/advocacy-handbook/

- **Screening and Assessment of Co-Occurring Disorders in the Justice System (2008):**
  http://gainscenter.samhsa.gov/pdfs/disorders/ScreeningAndAssessment.pdf

- **Mental Health Consumer Providers – A Guide for Clinical Staff (2008):**
  http://www.rand.org/pubs/technical_reports/TR584/

- **Miami-Dade County Grand Jury Report – Mental Illness and the Criminal Justice System: A Recipe for Disaster/A Prescription for Improvement (2004):**
  http://miamisao.com/publications/grand_jury/2000s/gj2004s.pdf

- **Miami-Dade County Grand Jury Report – Shifting the Focus On Treating Mental Illness: A Common "Cents" Approach (2007):**
  http://miamisao.com/publications/grand_jury/2000s/gj2007f.pdf

- **Miami-Dade County Mayor's Mental Health Task Force – Final Report (February 2007):**
  http://www.pacenterofexcellence.pitt.edu/documents/Miami-Dade-County-Final-Report.pdf

- **Practical Advice on Jail Diversion: Ten Years of Learnings on Jail Diversion from the CMHS National GAINS Center (2007):**
  http://gainscenter.samhsa.gov/pdfs/jail_diversion/PracticalAdviceOnJailDiversion.pdf

- **Turning Knowledge into Practice – A Manual for Human Service Administrators and Practitioners about Understanding and Implementing Evidence-Based Practices, 2nd edition**. The promise of evidence-based practices can be tempered by the limitations and realities of translating scientific research findings into the real world of service delivery. A publication of the Technical Assistance Collaborative in conjunction with the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation, this manual was developed to introduce concepts about evidence-based practices and to offer resources as evolving evidence-based practices become a routine part of service delivery and management. It was written specifically for clinicians and other practitioners, human service administrators, and their chief partners: primary consumers/persons in recovery, other service recipients, and their family members.
  http://www.modelsforchange.net/publications/281

- **Overcoming Legal Impediments to Hiring Forensic Peer Specialists (May 2008):**
  http://gainscenter.samhsa.gov/peer_resources/pdfs/Miller_Massaro_Overcoming.pdf

- **Peer Support within Criminal Justice Settings: The Role of Forensic Peer Specialists (May 2008):** http://gainscenter.samhsa.gov/peer_resources/pdfs/Davidson_Rowe_Peersupport.pdf

- **Children of Incarcerated Parents – An Action Plan for Federal Policymakers (2009):** http://csgjusticecenter.org/reentry/publications/children-of-incarcerated-parents-an-action-plan-for-federal-policymakers/

- **Practice Guidelines – Core Elements for Responding to Mental Health Crises  (2009):** http://store.samhsa.gov/shin/content//SMA09-4427/SMA09-4427.pdf

**ORGANIZATIONS:**

- **Council of State Governments Justice Center:** http://csgjusticecenter.org/

- **Criminal Justice, Mental Health, and Substance Abuse Technical Assistance Center (TA Center) at the Louis de la Parte Florida Mental Health Institute (FMHI), University of South Florida:** www.floridatac.org

- **Florida Department of Children and Families (DCF), Substance Abuse and Mental Health:** http://www.myflfamilies.com/service-programs/mental-health
  - **Baker Act materials:** http://www.myflfamilies.com/service-programs/mental-health/baker-act-manual
  - **Marchman Act materials:** http://myflfamilies.com/service-programs/substance-abuse/marchman-act

- **Florida Partners in Crisis (FLPIC):** www.flpic.org

- **Florida Council for Community Mental Health (FCCMH):** www.fccmh.org

- **Florida Alcohol and Drug Abuse Association (FADAA):** www.fadaa.org

- **Florida Association of Drug Court Professionals (FADCP):** www.fadcp.org

- **Florida's Children First (FCF):** floridaschildrenfirst.org

- **Mental Health America:** http://www.mentalhealthamerica.net/

- **National Alliance on Mental Illness:** www.nami.org

- **National GAINS Center /TAPA Center for Jail Diversion:** gainscenter.samhsa.gov

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- **Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA):**
  www.samhsa.gov
  - o **Center for Mental Health Services (CMHS):** http://www.samhsa.gov/about-us/who-we-are/offices-centers/cmhs
  - o **Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CSAT):** http://www.samhsa.gov/about-us/who-we-are/offices-centers/csat
  - o **Center for Substance Abuse Prevention (CSAP):** http://www.samhsa.gov/about-us/who-we-are/offices-centers/csap
  - o **National Registry of Evidence-based Programs and Practices (NREPP):** nrepp.samhsa.gov/