

**Committee on County Criminal Justice System Best Practices for the 21st Century –
Re-Entry Program Award 2019
Honoring Those Individuals and Organizations That Interact With County
Corrections or JDCAP Members**

BACKGROUND

The County Criminal Justice Systems for the 21st Century, a subcommittee of the County Commissioners Association of Pennsylvania (CCAP) Courts and Corrections Committee has been charged by the CCAP Board with developing programs to promote best practices in criminal justice. First introduced as a means of promoting the 2003 CCAP Prison Overcrowding Task Force recommendations, the awards program has evolved over time to focus on best practices in general, rather than just programs that are designed to address overcrowding.

AWARD PROGRAM GOAL

This honor is awarded to an individual or organization that is not directly employed by a county corrections facility or JDCAP member facility or agency, although the nominee may be a county employee or elected officer who interacts with corrections or juvenile detention or alternative programs. The nominee should possess experience that demonstrate an active role in promoting activities that improve the successful re-entry of supervisees back into the community.

NUMBER OF AWARDS

No more than one award will be presented each year.

ELIGIBILITY

- A Re-entry Program Nominee cannot be presently employed by a county correctional, juvenile detention facility or alternative program in Pennsylvania.
- A Re-entry Program Nominee must have provided support, resources or assistance to the advancement of the mission of the submitting entity
- A Re-entry Program Nominee must be nominated by a CCAP member or a JDCAP member.

PREPARING AND SUBMITTING YOUR ENTRY

Use the official award form in this brochure or available online at <http://www.pacounties.org/ProgramServices/Pages/Criminal-Justice.aspx> click on "Criminal Justice System Best Practices Awards – Re-entry Program"

DEADLINE

Entries must be submitted via email using the electronic form no later than close of business **February 15, 2019.**

JUDGING AND SELECTION

All entries will be scored by the Committee on County Criminal Justice System Best Practices. The winning entry will be announced at the CCAP annual conference in March, and afterwards,

contacts identified for each winning submission will be notified. Awards will be presented at an event in a location chosen by the awardee.

NOTICE

By applying the applicant agrees that items submitted for the program narrative will be posted on the CCAP and JDCAP websites, and made available to counties who wish to establish similar best practices. The signatures on the submission indicate agreement with the public posting, and the award recipient may be asked to share additional information with other counties. The Committee on County Criminal Justice Systems Best Practices reserves the right to disqualify an entry if all of the required elements are not included. Further, entries not receiving a minimum score may be disqualified. Further, entries that fail to achieve a minimum score may be disqualified.

OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

Entrants must complete all sections for the entry to be considered complete. A copy of this official entry is available at <http://www.pacounties.org/ProgramServices/Pages/Criminal-Justice.aspx>

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Title County Administrator/Chief Clerk
Contact Phone 717-264-4125

PARTNER INFORMATION

Name of nominee PrimeCare/Keystone Health/Pyramid
Title of nominee Medical/Behavioral Health Providers

NARRATIVE

Enter narrative that explains the following:

Contributions – Discuss the contributions the nominee has made to improving county corrections or juvenile justice re-entry services at the local, regional, or state level

Upon commitment to the Jail, our medical provider, PrimeCare, conducts a screening of each individual using the TCU-V. At this time, inmates whose screening reveals an opioid or alcohol dependency would be referred to the JTCT program for assessment by the treatment provider. If assessed as having a substance dependency, the inmate will be referred for Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) through the provider. The information obtained through the assessment will be combined with the American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM) assessment to determine a clinical recommendation for the inmate. The information from the assessment is also used to find the least invasive and medically safe environment for the inmate upon release. Biomedical conditions, emotional/behavioral conditions and complications, treatment acceptance and resistance, relapse potential, and recovery environment are considered variables when making the recommendation.

Promotion of best practices – Explain how the nominee has knowingly or unknowingly promoted the goals of the best practices program

The program started in January of 2017 and provides MAT. The Goals of this program are to increase recovery success and decrease recidivism. A combination of drug and alcohol counseling and Vivitrol are used to accomplish these goals. Franklin County's program is unique in that inmates are sent out of the jail for treatment services rather than having the provider come into to the jail. By going to treatment in the community, the inmate is not singled out but becomes part of a larger group which

includes non-incarcerated community members. This allows the inmate to become familiar with the surroundings where they will continue to receive services upon leaving incarceration. This process serves as a first step to the Reentry process for the inmate. Our two behavioral health service providers (Pyramid Health and Keystone Health) and PrimeCare work together to provide this “warm hand-off” which further empowers the individual to reenter community life with less stress and sense of security about their treatment after the end of incarceration.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

Please include any supporting documentation to demonstrate the impact of the project in cost or population outcomes, or other data to demonstrate the considerations utilized in determining the scope or design of the project. Scoring will be based on factors including the entrant’s description of the problem, the soundness of the approach, and success in meeting goals and objectives. Award submissions will receive consideration for outcomes or best practices supported by data. **SUPPORTING INFORMATION SHOULD BE COPIED AND PASTED DIRECTLY INTO THE FORM USING THE BOX BELOW.**

A LOOK AT FCJ DRUG AND ALCOHOL STATISTICS

DETOX PROTOCOL:

- 27% of new commitments are placed on detox protocol
- 24% of those placed on detox are due to opioid use

TCUS:

- 79% of completed TCUs are referrals for drug and alcohol services

PROGRAM STATISTICS

Snapshot as of June 12, 2018:

Reviewed and Denied: 113 (Includes Duplicates)

Reviewed and Accepted: 41

Jail Non-Completers: 3

Keystone: 11/41 with 9 successful (81.8%)

*Primary MH Diagnosis

Pyramid: 30/41 with 20 successful (66.6%)

*Primary SUD Diagnosis

KEYS TO SUCCESS

- Focus on Counseling, Less on Medication
- Follow-up by Primecare Case Manager
- Treatment IN the Community with Community Participants (Re-entry Focus)
- 2 Injections of Vivitrol Prior to Release
- Close Collaboration with Community Treatment Providers

Each application must be submitted with the signature of the nominating party.

Signatures can be entered electronically, or submitted via fax using a separate form. To sign, right-click on the signature line, select "Signature Setup" from the drop down, and follow the prompts. If submitting signatures on a separate form, enter "FAXING" on the signature line.

X *Carrie Ho. Gray*

County Administrator/Chief Clerk

SUBMITTING YOUR ENTRY – To submit the entry, save a copy of this completed form after all information, including signatures and supporting materials have been added. When saving the form, please assure that the document name includes the county name, the type of project and the year – (i.e. FranklinReentryAward2019). Address an email to bpenyak@pacounties.org and attach the award submission.