

Juvenile Case Plans

522.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The San Diego County Probation Department is committed to assisting youth successfully exit the juvenile justice system. Strength-based, client-driven, and family-centered case plans will be developed in collaboration with the youth, family, and positive community supports. Evidence-based practices and case management strategies focused on rehabilitation, healing, and positive youth development, targeting primary needs (formerly known as criminogenic needs) will be implemented to reduce recidivism and support the youth's overall success and wellbeing.

522.2 DEFINITIONS

Client Action Plan (CAP): Is a client-driven, family-centered case plan which includes goals and tasks related to the youth's assessed primary needs, formerly known as criminogenic needs.

Coaching Options that are Versatile and Effective (COVE): Is a coaching model designed to help generate contexts that enable capacity for change. Tenants include check-in, engage, role clarify, give feedback, explore, focus, evoke, plan, next steps, check out and learn.

Desistance: The process of turning away from crime and pursuing a life without interaction with the justice system.

Domain: The assessed primary need areas identified on the youth's San Diego Risk and Resiliency Check-Up II (SDRRC-II) assessment.

Feedback Session: During a case planning meeting with the youth, family, and any other natural supports, the officer will review the youth's individual SDRRC-II summary report. Risk and strength information from the summary report will help the case planning team develop a client-driven CAP case plan which will include goals and tasks to address the youth's assessed primary needs.

Goal: The desired result for a youth's work on probation outlined in Positive Youth Development language that is Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Realistic and Time-sensitive (SMART) and is related to the youth's assessed primary needs. Note: This area of the CAP reflects the case plan progress on a specific goal in the CAP.

Primary Needs: These refer to criminogenic needs.

Reasonable Candidate Foster Care (RCFC) Case Plan: The case plan used in the State of California to address needs related to a youth's risk to be removed from their parents/guardians to foster care and for use if the youth is in foster care.

San Diego Risk and Resiliency Checkup II (SDRRC-II): An assessment tool used with all youth to predict recidivism and desistance. The assessment tool results identify risks and needs to assist in determining the proper supervision level.

Task: The specific work youth will do to accomplish the goals related to the domains.

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522.3 POLICY

It is the policy of the San Diego County Probation Department to ensure all youth on probation have a comprehensive case plan. Officers will use case management practices to facilitate effective and safe supervision of clients in accordance with federal and state law and department policy and procedure.