

BEYOND THE ADVERSARIAL SYSTEM: ACHIEVING THE CHALLENGE

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Why Did We Do the Work?

- Collaboration is key to sustainable reform
- Prosecutors and Defenders face unique challenges in re-defining their traditional roles and replacing them with criminal justice reformers
- The principles apply to other criminal justice stakeholders who are traditionally opposed

Why Collaboration is Important

- Opportunity to “see” into other organizations that contribute to the success of the initiative
- Makes for better public relations: Working earlier, and more often together
- Finding common goals
- Opened communication channels
- Problems are identified earlier – before they get too large – solutions are easier

Keys to Collaboration?



- Skilled Facilitator
- Identify System-Wide Goals & Ways to Measure Success
- Criminal Justice Coordinating Council
- Agreement on top priorities

Where do you Begin?



Recommendations from the Report

Recommendation 1.

Come to the table with reasonable goals and points of agreement.

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Recommendation 2.

Avoid blame.

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Recommendation 3.

Work together on local criminal justice coordinating councils and state administering agencies responsible for promulgating criminal justice grants and information.

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Recommendation 4.

Enlist outside experts to facilitate conversations.

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Recommendation 5.

Use data to promote stakeholder buy-in.

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Recommendation 6.

Communicate with the media about data showing positive results & create a unified response plan to get out in front of a potential crisis.

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Recommendation 7.

Commit to culture change by engaging all staff in collaborative efforts.

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Recommendation 8.

Be responsive to respective constituencies.

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Recommendation 9.

Be intentional about building positive relations.

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