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TO: County Departments of Human/Social Services Directors

FROM: Margaret C. Carpenter, Administrator 

SUBJECT: New Rules Pertaining to Interstate Compact for Juveniles; On-Line Training to be Available **February 24**; Changes in Supervision of Older Youth under ICJ; New Central Office Contact

I. Notification of New Compact Rules

As announced in Administrator's Memo 09-01, the new Interstate Compact for Juveniles (ICJ) is now in effect. The 41 states that have ratified it, including Wisconsin, must begin to operate under a new set of rules effective March 1, 2010. While the new rules are very similar to the former rules of the Interstate Compact on Juveniles, important changes have been made. Outlined below are some pertinent areas:

- Establishment of an Interstate Commission for Juveniles to oversee implementation of the new Compact and enforce compliance by the member states;
- Expanded use of mandatory Compact forms;
- Provisions for a receiving state to provide sanctions for youth sent to the state under the Compact who violate rules of supervision;
- Ability for a receiving state to refuse placement of a youth, even if the placement is with the youth's parent or guardian, if the proposed placement is unsuitable or unsafe;
- More authority for receiving state to request early termination of a youth's supervision;
- Different time frames for certain travel permits; and
- Requirement for the home state to enter warrants into national data base when a youth has absconded from placement.

The Division of Juvenile Corrections (DJC) web site http://www.wi-doc.com/index_juvenile.htm will host a section on the Interstate Compact. The site will include links to the new Compact rules, all ICJ forms, and a staff training presentation.

II. On-Line Training to be Available

The Division will offer an on-line ICJ training session on Wednesday, February 24 from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. for interested DJC and County line staff and supervisors. The training can be accessed from staff desks via their computers, so no travel is necessary to participate. A step-by-step guide on participation is attached to this memo. The training will be archived so that staff that is unable to view it on February 24 can access it at their convenience. The training will cover all aspects of local agency duties pertaining to the ICJ. There will be an emphasis on the new rule provisions that are different from past practice. No pre-registration is necessary. Staff may submit questions via e-mail during the training. The questions will be answered by the presenter during the session. We encourage your agency to take advantage of this training opportunity.

III. New Protocol for ICJ Case Assignment

As you are aware, counties that do their own aftercare must, also, supervise youth from other states placed in the county under the ICJ. Based on an opinion from Department of Corrections' Legal Counsel, the Division of Juvenile Corrections will be taking on the responsibility for supervision of all youth age 18 and older who are in Wisconsin under the Interstate Compact for Juveniles, notwithstanding the applicable county aftercare arrangement. We will implement this new protocol in two ways.

Reassignment of existing cases:

Counties that currently have youth from other states age 18 or older under ICJ supervision should contact the Division, to request reassignment, while supplying us with their existing case notes. [See contact information below.]

Assignment of new cases:

Any ICJ case received from another State whose planned placement is in a county that does its own aftercare, and whose delinquency order extends beyond the youth's 18th birthday, will be assigned to a State Agent. The qualifiers are:

- If the youth is age 18 at the time the supervision request is received from the sending state;
- The youth is age 17 and within 4 months of attaining age 18 at the time the request is received.

For other ICJ youth being placed in a county-aftercare, the County will be flagged in our system when their supervision order extends beyond age 18, but they do not meet the above age criteria. When the flagged youth is within 2 to 3 months of her/his 18th birthday, DJC will contact the supervising County and ask for their recommendation on whether Wisconsin should request early termination of the sending State's juvenile order. If the County does not recommend early

termination, or if the sending State refuses to terminate, DJC will facilitate transition of the case from the county worker to a State Agent effective on the youth's 18th birthday.

IV. New Interstate Compact Contact Information

Effective March 15, 2010, Ann Bailey will be leaving the Interstate Compact Coordinator position to take another job in DOC. We will announce the new Coordinator when s/he is hired. Until that time, please direct all Interstate Compact inquiries and correspondence to Shelley Hagan at 608-240-5918 or WI-ICJ@wisconsin.gov.

Questions regarding the Interstate Compact for Juveniles may be addressed to the Compact Coordinator, Ann Bailey, at 608-240-5931 (ann.bailey@wi.gov) until March 15, 2010, or Compact Administrator Shelley Hagan at 608-240-5918 (shelley.hagan@wi.gov). Thank you for being a vital part of Wisconsin's participation in the Interstate Compact for Juveniles.

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DOC/DJC Management staff
County Youth Aids contacts
Court-attached juvenile court intake offices

Attachment

Accessing the ICJ Training Presentation

Live – February 24, 2010, 10:00 to 11:30am

You will be able to view the presentation from your computer and interact with the presenter, Ann Bailey via Mediasite technology.

1. Make sure your computer can open Mediasite

If you are not sure if your computer can open Mediasite, please try testing your media player with this link: [Mediasite Player Test](#) , or download the latest version of Windows Media Player with this link: [Windows Media Player](#).

2. View the presentation in real time

Anyone can view the presentation in real time on his or her computer via Mediasite technology. Use Control + Click to open this link: [Interstate Compact for Juveniles, 10:00 a.m., Wednesday February 24](#).

3. Ask Ann questions during her presentation

Once you are in Mediasite during the live presentation, you can send in a question at any time from your computer. Locate the dark grey bar near the top of Mediasite, and click on the icon second from the left, which is the “ask a question” icon. A window will open which looks like an e-mail. To submit a question, please type your name, e-mail address, your question and then hit send. We will give as many of these questions as possible to Ann during the presentation and afterwards in the Q&A segment.

View the archived presentation later

For persons who cannot watch the live web cast on February 24, or who want a refresher on certain provisions at a future time, the presentation will be archived. You can access the archived presentation through the following link, [archived Interstate Compact for Juveniles presentation](#).