

National Institute of Corrections & Federal Bureau of Prisons

First Reentry Symposium:
Promising Practices and Future
Directions September 9-10, 2015



DAY ONE NOTES*

WELCOME BY MADELINE CARTER

- 41 STATES REPRESENTED
- 31 BUREAU OF PRISON FACILITIES
- 12 WARDENS
- 16 DIRECTORS OF CORRECTIONS

OPENING REMARKS AND A CALL TO ACTION

JIM COSBY, DIRECTOR, NIC

- BEST REENTRY STRATEGY IS A GOOD EVIDENCED-BASED DIVERSION PROGRAM
- REENTRY STARTS ON THE FIRST DAY OF INCARCERATION
- COMMUNITY SAFETY COMES FROM SUPPORTING PEOPLE WHO HAVE BEEN IN PRISON/JAIL REJOIN SOCIETY

CHARLES E SAMUELS, JR, DIRECTOR BUREAU OF PRISONS

- THIS MEETING IS 3 YEARS IN THE MAKING
- BOP'S BUDGET IS \$7 BILLION TODAY; NOT SUSTAINABLE
- CORRECTIONS CANNOT CONTROL SENTENCING
- CORRECTIONS CAN CONTROL REENTRY

REMEMBER: ALL THE PRESENTATIONS,
ALONG WITH RESOURCES AND BIBLIOGRAPHY
ON REENTRY, ARE AVAILABLE HERE:

NICIC.GOV/GO/REENTRY



SALLY YATES, DEP. ATTORNEY GENERAL

- BE BOLD & THINK CREATIVELY
- REENTRY IS THE MOST IMPORTANT AND THE MOST DIFFICULT ASPECT OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM

DENISE O'DONNELL, DIRECTOR OF BJA

- REENTRY COUNCIL STARTED IN JAN. 2011
- WE NEED TO COORDINATE AND LEVERAGE RESOURCES
- HIGHLIGHTS OF GRANTS AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE THEY OFFER
- SEE REENTRY MYTHBUSTERS
[HTTP://CSGJUSTICECENTER.ORG/NRRC/REENTRY-MYTHBUSTERS/](http://CSGJUSTICECENTER.ORG/NRRC/REENTRY-MYTHBUSTERS/)

LINDA MCGREW, REENTRY SERVICES DIVISION OF BOP

- PROMOTE PUBLIC UNDERSTANDING
- SAFE, SECURE HUMANE FACILITIES
- EFFECTIVE COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

TOM ROY, MINNESOTA DOC AND ASCA

DISCUSSED SOME OF 28 INITIATIVES

BREAK-OUT SESSIONS: REGIONAL GROUPS

DISCUSSIONS ABOUT WHAT DIFFERENT STATES AND AGENCIES ARE DOING AND WHAT THEY WOULD LIKE TO ACCOMPLISH.



AFTERNOON SESSIONS

PANEL: “REFLECTIONS ON REENTRY”

DARYL ATKINSON; GLENN E. MARTIN; VIVIAN NIXON

- NAMING MATTERS: CALL PEOPLE PEOPLE
- CORRECTIONS STAFF CAN CHANGE THE TRAJECTORY OF SOMEONE’S LIFE; EVERY INTERACTION IS AN OPPORTUNITY TO DO SO
- USE OUR IMAGINATION TO DE-CARCERATION / “NO ENTRY”
- FOCUS ON STRONG COMMUNITY (SCHOOLS, EMPLOYMENT, HEALTHY FAMILIES)
- LEADERSHIP CAN CHANGE THE CULTURE OF CORRECTIONS
- ONLY THING HOLDING US BACK IS OUR IMAGINATION-THINK DIFFERENTLY
- HOW WOULD YOU WANT YOUR FAMILY MEMBER TREATED IF THEY WERE INCARCERATED? IMAGINE THAT AND THEN DO IT.

ROGER PRZYLEYLSKI, RKC Corporation

DESISTANCE & IMPLEMENTATION SCIEN



- EBP IMPORTANT, IMPLEMENTATION FIDELITY IS CRITICAL - IS A PROCESS NOT AN EVENT
- RISK IS HIGHEST IMMEDIATELY AFTER RELEASE

SUPERVISION ALONE IS NOT SUFFICIENT,
MUST INCLUDE TREATMENT

- WORK, FAMILY TIES, REDUCE SUBSTANCE USE

- SMALL RECIDIVISM REDUCTIONS ARE SIGNIFICANT TO PUBLIC SAFETY

INDIVIDUALIZED; RELATIONSHIPS MATTER;
INTERVENTIONS NEEDED TO DEVELOP AND SUPPORT SOCIAL CAPITAL; NEED WAYS TO RECOGNIZE AND CERTIFY PROGRESS AND CHANGE

PROPER IMPLEMENTATION MATTERS MORE THAN CONTENT; HIGH QUALITY IMPLEMENTATION IS DIFFICULT TO ACHIEVE; OFTEN UNDERESTIMATED ARE NUMBER OF STEPS, DECISIONS AND NECESSARY PARTICIPANTS.

CHALLENGES INCLUDE CHANGING HUMAN SERVICES PROCESSES; CHANGING ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE, CULTURE AND CLIMATE; CHANGING THINKING OF SYSTEM DIRECTORS AND POLICY MAKERS

REQUIRES BUILDING STAFF COMPETENCIES, COACHING AND MENTORING, ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT AND LEADERSHIP.

*(Notes on some events may be limited due to our inability to attend every event. - NIC Information Center Team)

