



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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Commission on Juvenile Justice Fiscal Year 2020 Work Plan

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General Statement of Purpose for Fiscal Year 2020:

The Commission's committee structure for the upcoming fiscal year will include two standing committees: Executive and Legislative. *Ad hoc* committees are established as needed (e.g., for naming of officers, Commission interests, Vision statement and new Commission member interviews). The Commission meets on the 3rd Tuesday of each month except in August and December. Committees will either meet in person or by teleconference. Notice of teleconferences or meetings in person will be given in advance.

The Commission will only act in accordance with our enabling legislation.

The Commission will continue to be proactive in reviewing proposed legislation at the State and local level.

Each member will participate in the work of the Commission, including serving on at least one committee.

The Commission will continue to review and address how Montgomery County assesses needs and delivers treatment to its juvenile justice population.

The Commission studies, reports, monitors, and advocates for the issues identified on the attached pages.

Executive Committee – Chair Chris Jennison

Members: Ebony Stoutmiles (Vice Chair), Diana Barney (Secretary), Kevin Redden and Thomas Squire, Legislative Committee Co-Chairs).

The Executive Committee represents the Commission at meetings with the Health and Human Services Director, County Executive, and County Council; drafts and presents testimony on legislation of interest; and provides administrative support to the Commission. The Executive Committee organizes Commission membership, orientation, the annual work plan, and the annual report.

Legislative Committee: Co-Chairs Kevin Redden and Thomas Squire

The **Legislative Committee** coordinates and facilitates exchanges in connection with providing recommendations to the Commission's county and state legislative agenda; 2) monitors and tracks legislation affiliated with Juvenile Justice System; and 3) oversees the annual forum with Montgomery County Juvenile Court judges.

In furtherance of and consistent with the Commission's focus on intervention and prevention efforts for high need youth, including disproportionate minority contact, gender specific, and re-entry issues, during the next year, the **Legislative Committee** will take the following action steps.

- *Monitor report on and make recommendations regarding relevant proposed legislation at both the county and state levels, including written or oral testimony or other forms of advocacy;*
- *Advocate for county and state budget recommendations within the purview of the Commission's mission;*