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SUBJECT: Fiscal Year (FY) 2021 Compliance Determination Standards

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Dear Colleagues,

I am pleased to provide you with the FY 2021 compliance standards. These standards will be applied to compliance monitoring reports submitted by each participating state for the FY 2021 reporting period and used to calculate determinations of states compliance with Section 223(a)(11), (12), and (13) of the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (JJDP) Act, as amended. Determinations of states compliance in FY 2021 will be used, in part, to establish Title II Formula Grant Program funding level allocations for each state in the FY 2022 funding year.

Pursuant to 28 CFR § 31.303(f)(6), FY 2021 compliance standards were calculated by taking the average of participating states' FY 2019 and FY 2020 compliance monitoring rates for the deinstitutionalization of status offenders (DSO), separation, and jail removal core requirements (removing, when applicable, the largest outlier¹ per each requirement) and multiplying the adjusted standard deviation by no less than one.

In accordance with this methodology, the FY 2021 compliance numerical thresholds have been established as follows:

- a rate of 4.71 per 100,000 juvenile population for Section 223(a)(11) of the JJDP Act (the DSO requirement);

¹In calculating standards for the FY 2021 data collection period, excluded outlier rates was as follows: Idaho (9.90) for DSO; Massachusetts (105.43) for separation; and New Jersey (5.37) for jail removal.

- a rate of 1.18 per 100,000 juvenile population for Section 223(a)(12) of the JJDP Act (the separation requirement);
- a rate of 3.95 per 100,000 juvenile population for Section 223(a)(13) of the JJDP Act (the jail removal requirement).

States reporting a rate at or below a given standard will be determined to be in compliance with that core requirement. States reporting a rate that exceeds a particular standard will be determined to be out of compliance with that core requirement. Pursuant to Section 223(c)(1) of the JJDP Act, the Title II FY 2021 Formula Grant allocation for a state will be reduced by 20 percent for each core requirement with which it fails to comply.

Please contact your SRAD Program Manager if you have questions.

Thank You,

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