

**King County System Integration Project  
Data and Information Subcommittee – Initial Database Information  
May 21<sup>st</sup> meeting – Casey Family Programs Office**

**Questions posed regarding the data sources:**

1) Describe the following sources of data: CAMIS (with/without GUI), JJWAN, OCAR, CMTS, JUVIS, SCOMIS, Harmony, Focus

- who owns or operates the database
- what information is contained in the database
- who enters the information
- who has access to the information

2) What information do we need to do our work? What questions do we need answered? For example:

- how many kids are served by DSHS and Juvenile Justice at the same time?
- how many kids are labeled any combination of the following: dependent, offender, status offender?
- what are the demographic characteristics for each kind of kid?

**JJWAN:**

Owned and operated by King County Juvenile Court.

Data is entered by the court's Records Unit.

Offender youth and youth who enter the detention hall (could be offenders, at-risk youth, CHINS, truants or dependents) are assigned a JCN which is their primary identifier in the JJWAN system.

Information on the youth's age, address, parent's names, addresses, school district, attorney and current charges, historical charges and referrals is entered.

Information on the status of the existing case is also entered by hearing/motion codes.

Apparently, gathering information by using JCN is simple enough if there is manpower to accomplish the research task. JJWAN does not currently contain complete information on status offenders or dependents - just those who have been booked into detention.

This database is being revamped and transformed into JJWEB which may include status offender and dependent information. The current form of JJWEB contains more complete diversion program information. Many people have access to JJWAN or JJWEB in the court system but no one outside the system has access.

## **CMTS:**

CMTS is an Access Database created specifically for the King County Superior Court At-Risk Youth Program.

Data is entered by case managers.

At-risk youth and truant youth who are assigned a case manager are entered into the database.

Information includes name, DOB, address, parents' name, address, extensive contact information, services that have been used in the past for family, domestic violence, running away, sexual assault, mental illness, substance abuse issues - current or historical, court order information, court dates, service plan information and notes - for court report and confidential.

Data relies on case managers for entry and so can occasionally not be current. Only includes those cases receiving case management services.

Only At-Risk Youth Program staff have access to database.

## **SCOMIS:**

SCOMIS is owned and operated by the state. It is how the state AOC maintains data on caseload.

SCOMIS contains information about adults, kids, civil and criminal stuff...

Information on the youth's age, address, parent's names, addresses, school district, attorney and current charges, historical charges and referrals is entered.

Information on the status of the existing case is also entered by hearing/motion codes. Data is entered by court clerks. Many have access to offender data information in SCOMIS and a limited few have access to status offender or dependency data in SCOMIS.

## **CAMIS (with/without GUI)**

Children's Administration (CA) owns the database. The mainframe is managed by DIS and our Data Base Administration is done by ISSD.

Case management information for CPS, CWS, FRS, Adoption, Adoption Support, and Licensing Includes Intake, Referral, Investigations, Case Planning, Placements, Provider payments, Adoption support.

Social workers, Clerical support, Licensors enter the information/data.

Access to the database is afforded to all CA staff with security access to CAMIS. Some remote users with read-only access including the Attorney General's office, the Ombudsman, and Tribes.

## **OCAR**

The CA owns or operates the databases used in OCAR – if it is downloaded from CAMIS - or we collect it directly from children, families, social workers, providers. Data collected as a result of a federal grant

is housed in a "national archive" 2 years after the grant is completed, and it becomes a public use data set.

Selected information deemed important to answer research questions of interest - case characteristics, family characteristics, risk factors, service data, outcomes – is contained in the database. All cases can be downloaded that fit selection criteria, or a sample might be selected – this is dependent on the research questions.

CA staff enter the data or access it directly from CAMIS or other data systems. Research project data sets fall under the confidentiality rules and there must be an IRB clearance to access the data ourselves (unless we are doing a CA evaluation which provides an exemption from IRB clearance). Typically people outside the department would need to have a "de-identified" data set, as CA. It is also presumed that these data sets are considered confidential for other divisions (there are also new HIPPA rules regarding release of confidential data). For some studies we have to have client/family sign a release or consent form before we can download their data from CAMIS, or other DSHS data sets.

## **JUVIS**

JUVIS (Juvenile Court Information System) is part of the State Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) Judicial Information System (JIS). The database is maintained by the AOC.

JUVIS provides demographic information on juveniles involved in the juvenile justice system (e.g., name, DOB, gender, race/ethnicity, address, school) parents/guardians names/addresses. Name/demographic data appears on JUVIS via a link to the Judicial Information System (JIS), Person Database. The person database is the source of name/demographic information for all JIS applications. In King County, JUVIS also contains referral, filing decision and disposition information for non-diverted offense referrals and for diverted offense referrals where the juvenile entered into a diversion agreement. However the system has the capacity for tracking dependency and Becca cases (Child in Need of Services, At-Risk Youth and Truancy). Most juvenile departments in the state use JUVIS for all juvenile justice case tracking (offender, dependency and Becca).

The Juvenile Division of the Prosecuting Attorney's office enters the following information:

Felony referrals - offense and person information and action taken on the referral (e.g., information filed).

KCSC/Juvenile Court Services' Records Unit enters the following information:

Filed on Felony Cases - case disposition information

Filed on Misdemeanor/Gross Misdemeanor Referrals - offense and person information, action taken on the referral (e.g., information filed) and disposition information.

Diverted Offense Referrals - offense and person information and action taken on the referral (diverted) and case disposition information. (NOTE: This information is entered only for those cases where the juvenile enters into a diversion agreement).

Authorized individuals have JUVIS access allowing them to enter data into the system, others authorized individuals have "read only" access. In addition, authorized individuals have access to the data base for query purposes. The Supervisor of KCSC/Juvenile Court Services' Records Unit has oversight of and is responsible for controlling system access.