ADOC DEMOGRAPHICS
## SNAPSHOT OF ADOC

### Current 2017 Costs:

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<th>Service</th>
<th>Yearly</th>
<th>Daily</th>
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<td>Institutions (hard beds)</td>
<td>$ 54,611.30</td>
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<td>Community Residential Centers (soft beds)</td>
<td>$ 38,416.25</td>
<td>$ 105.25</td>
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<td>Electronic Monitoring</td>
<td>$ 8,073.80</td>
<td>$ 22.12</td>
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<td>Probation &amp; Parole</td>
<td>$ 3,423.70</td>
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System cannot sustain as is:
- Over capacity prison system
- Displaced Native Alaskans
- Need for increased access to treatment and services
- Need for more effective individualized case management

- Minorities overrepresented
- Increase in nonviolent offenders (serving more time)
- Increase in female and elderly prisoners
- Increase in pretrial offenders
Alaska’s Incarcerated Population

July 1, 2014 Population Report by Status

- Sentenced: 2,627
- Pretrial: 1,479
- Supervision Violators: 1,161

- Sentenced New Conviction
- Unsented New Charges
- Probation Parole Violation
Current efforts expected to avert projected prison growth through 2024 and reduce the average prison population by 13% saving an estimated $380 million in State spending and reinvesting $98.8 million.
RECIDIVISM DRIVERS

Front End:

- The longer low-risk defendants are detained before trial, the more likely they are to commit a new crime within two years of case disposition.
- One study found that low-risk defendants who were held in jail for 2-3 days were 39% more likely to be arrested than those who were released on the first day. Those held 4-7 days were 50% more likely to be arrested, and 8-15 days were 56% more likely.
- Low-risk offenders will learn anti-social behaviors from higher-risk offenders

Back End:

- Unmatched treatment and supervision needs of individuals; pro-social networks of low-risk offenders is disrupted with intensive (not needed) interventions.
- Transitional and Release plan not developed through evidence-based practices
- Referrals for community made post-release

PRETRIAL DIVISION
1973
Alaska Judicial Council
Report on Repeat Bail Recidivists
Recommendation to establish a pretrial agency

2003
Alaska Criminal Justice Council
Legislative Recommendations
Establish pretrial processes, supervision, and diversion

2009
Alaska Law Review Publication
Author Elizabeth Johnston
Alaska should develop an independent Pretrial Services Agency

2015
Alaska Judicial Council
AJC Sentencing Alternatives Workgroup Proposals
Recommendation for pretrial diversion and deferred disposition
BEST PRACTICES IN PRETRIAL

- Fidelity & Validation
- Collaboration with Criminal Justice Partners
- Maximize Appropriate Defendant Placement
- Assessments & Court Reports within 24 Hours
- Use of a Validated Risk Assessment Tool
- Performance Measurement & Feedback
Implement Pretrial Services for the state of Alaska

Defendants will be assessed within 24 hours

Low risk offenders may receive monitoring if appropriate

Moderate and High risk offenders may receive supervision if appropriate
Measures two risk components:

1. The likelihood that someone will Fail To Appear (FTA) for scheduled court hearings;

2. The likelihood that someone will have a New Criminal Arrest (NCA) while during pretrial release status.
**PRETRIAL FUNCTIONS**

**Assessment**
Low, Moderate, High, with a report to the court within 24 hours.

**Monitoring**
Low/Moderate risk defendants will be monitored.

**Diversion**
*Mental Health*
*Tribal Courts*
*Substance Abuse*

**Initial Appearance**
The Court has the option for pretrial supervision at this juncture.

**Supervision**
Moderate & High risk defendants, if released, will be supervised on standard or enhanced pretrial supervision.
A risk assessment tool will not predict behavior 100% of the time for 100% of the population.

A tool will not replace experienced and quality professionals, but it does lead to better decision making.

Despite some limitations of a risk assessment tool, this process is an enhancement to public safety and it fulfills a gap and a request of criminal justice professionals that has existed for more than 40 years.
REENTRY EFFORTS
ALASKA COMMUNITY REENTRY PROGRAM
ON-GOING DEVELOPMENT

Programmatic changes occur as a result of:

- Stakeholder feedback
- Community grant proposals and reports
- National best practices and evidence-based practices for criminal justice reform

Prisoner Reentry Initiative
Returning Citizens Initiative
Alaska Community Reentry Program
## Coalitions: FY 17 Status and Next Steps

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<th>Task</th>
<th>Existing Coalitions</th>
<th>Emerging + Expanding Coalitions</th>
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<td>Coalition Development</td>
<td>• Coalitions active; coordinators hired</td>
<td>• Forming coalitions</td>
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<td>• Tier 2 hiring coordinator</td>
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<td>Provider Assessment</td>
<td>• Initial assessment completed</td>
<td>• Will be completed</td>
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<td>Comprehensive Community Reentry Plan</td>
<td>• Juneau: Completed</td>
<td>• Will be completed</td>
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<td>• Fairbanks, Mat-Su, Anchorage: Drafted</td>
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<td>Ongoing Community Development</td>
<td>• Continuously assess community needs</td>
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<td>• Collaborate with community to expand and enhance services</td>
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<td>Institutional Presentations</td>
<td>• Coordinate presentations with community partners</td>
<td>• Not addressing at this time</td>
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<td>Case Management</td>
<td>• Hire and train case managers</td>
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<td>• Provide case management services</td>
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PROGRAM GOALS

1. **Promote public safety** by reducing the threat of harm to persons, families and their property by citizens returning to their communities from prison.

2. **Increase success rates of reentrants** who transition from prison by fostering effective, evidence-based risk and need management and treatment, returning citizen accountability, and safe family, community and victim participation.

3. **Advance positive public health outcomes** such as access to health care services, substance use and mental health treatment, public benefit programs, and a reduction in the number of homeless reentrants.
## Long-Term Impact Outcomes

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<th>Measure</th>
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<td>Reduction of Recidivism</td>
<td>Number of clients who stayed in the community and did not commit a felony level crime</td>
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<td>(measured at 30 days, 6 months, 1 year + 3 years)</td>
<td>Number of clients who stayed in the community and did not commit any crimes</td>
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<td>Access to Service</td>
<td>Number of services requested by or referred to participant</td>
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<td>Number of services received by participant</td>
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<td>Public Health Advancement</td>
<td>Number of reentrants in permanent housing at discharge</td>
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<td>Number of reentrants enrolled in substance abuse treatment who successfully complete substance abuse treatment goals by discharge</td>
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WHERE TO NOW?
The Alaska Criminal Justice Commission (ACJC) recommending that “… the Department of Corrections (DOC) establish a voluntary pretrial diversion/intervention option for Alaskans with behavioral health disorders within DOC’s new Pretrial Services Program. ..”

DOC requested a Diversion Planner position be funded by current BJA funding.

The Diversion Planner will help identify a program for Alaska to divert offenders from incarceration.

- Pretrial
- Probation
Collaborative partnerships to provide culturally competent and specific programming to the identified needs of the participant.

Convene partners to assist in the development/implementation of the diversion program, including Medical Assisted Treatment (MAT) services.

Partner with the National Behavioral Health Innovation Center, University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus.

Train criminal justice and behavioral health stakeholders to work with the identified population.
QUESTIONS?

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