

State of Iowa Juvenile Court Services



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Responses to Questions received regarding **Online Diversion RFP JUV-27-OD-07-002**:

1. Should participants be engaged in the program while residing in the community (e.g., pre-trial, probation, deferred prosecution), or while placed in a structured environment (e.g., residential placement, detention center, treatment facility)? If both settings are anticipated, are there distinct implementation expectations or operational considerations for each?
Q1 Answer: Participants should be engaged while in the community.
2. Will participants be supervised by probation, case managers, or other justice partners during program participation?
Q2 Answer: Supervision will vary based on the youth's legal status at the time of referral. Some participants may be under supervision (e.g., probation), while others may be referred as part of a diversion process and may not be formally supervised during program participation. The online diversion program should be structured so that it can be completed independently by the youth when supervision is not present.
3. Are there reporting or coordination requirements with supervising entities during the program period?
Q3 Answer: Yes, please see reporting requirements within Technical Specifications F, H, I, and K within the RFP.
4. Does the State have an expected number of sessions per week (e.g., one module weekly versus multiple engagements)?
Q4 Answer: JCS District 7 does not have a set number of sessions expected per week.
5. Is there a preferred minimum or maximum weekly time commitment for participants?
Q5 Answer: No, there is not a preferred minimum or maximum weekly time commitment for participants.
6. Is flexibility permitted in program length based on individual risk/need level, or is a standardized duration preferred across participants?
Q6 Answer: Flexibility is permitted in program length based on individual risk/need level.
7. Are live or synchronous check-ins required, encouraged, or optional? If required, does the State have expectations regarding frequency or format (individual or group)?
Q7 Answer: No check-ins are required.
8. How does the State define successful completion (e.g., module completion, time-based participation, demonstrated behavior change, compliance with court conditions)?
Answer: JCS District 7 defines successful completion of Online Diversion as assigned module completion.

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9. Are there specific reporting templates, data elements, or timelines that providers will be required to follow?

Q9 Answer: Yes, please see the requirements located within the Technical Specifications of the RFP.

10. Will recidivism tracking be conducted by the State, the provider, or collaboratively?

Answer: Recidivism will be tracked at the state level.