



# Increasing Community Involvement in the Juvenile Healing to Wellness Courts

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# ▶ BEFORE WE GET STARTED...

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# Opening



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## ▶ Journey to the JHWC

Please share:

- ❖ Overview of your JHWC within the overall Justice System.
- ❖ What you enjoy most about your work.

# ▶ The Planning Process

- ❖ What was the most difficult part of getting your Court up and running?
- ❖ What strategies did you use from previous work experiences to move forward with planning?
- ❖ What about the planning process surprised you?



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## ▶ Departmental Partners

- ❖ What partners do you encourage be involved when planning your JHWC?
- ❖ What is your approach to helping hold other departments accountable during case management?
- ❖ How have you strengthened and built on relationships with your JHWC partners?

# Marketing

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- ❖ What did you do to raise awareness of your Court during the planning phase?
- ❖ What is the most difficult part of getting buy-in from the community?
- ❖ What marketing strategies have worked the best for your Court?





# ▶ COORDINATOR ROLE



# ▶ Maintaining Partnerships

- ❖ What has been your approach to gaining trust with your program partners?
- ❖ How would you describe your method to maintaining communication with your partners?
- ❖ Can you explain the value of increasing partner understanding in your program operations and how its built respect?



# ▶ CLOSING THOUGHTS...



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Thank you



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