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CO - Colorado Revised Statutes Annotated **TITLE 24. GOVERNMENT - STATE** **PRINCIPAL DEPARTMENTS** **ARTICLE 33.5. PUBLIC SAFETY** **PART 5. DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE**

24-33.5-514. Evidence-based practices implementation for capacity program - **EPIC** fund - creation - repeal

(1) There is hereby created the evidence-based practices implementation for capacity resource center in the division, referred to in this section as the "center". The intent of the center is to assist agencies serving juvenile and adult populations to develop and sustain effective implementation frameworks to support the use of evidence-based practices. The center is a collaborative effort to increase the efficacy of individuals who work with various offender and victim populations by establishing an educational, skill-building, and consultation resource center to support practitioners in the implementation of evidence-based practices.

(2) (a) There is hereby created in the division the **EPIC** advisory board, referred to in this section as the "board".

(b) The board shall exercise its powers and perform its duties and functions under the department of public safety.

(c) (I) The board shall consist of, at a minimum, the following five members:

(A) The executive director of the department of public safety or his or her designee;

(B) The executive director of the department of corrections or his or her designee;

(C) The executive director of the department of human services or his or her designee;

(D) The director of the division of criminal justice in the department of public safety; and

(E) The director of the division of probation services in the judicial department or his or her designee.

(II) The director of the division of criminal justice may appoint additional members to ensure adequate representation and oversight.

(d) The members of the board shall serve without compensation and without reimbursement for expenses.

(e) The board shall meet at least four times per calendar year. The director of the division of criminal justice may call such additional meetings as may be necessary for the board to complete its duties.

(f) The board shall support the center to create and maintain internal, sustainable structural implementation components of evidence-based practices.

(g) The department shall provide office space, equipment, and staff services as may be necessary to implement the provisions of this section.

(h)

(I) This subsection (2) is repealed, effective September 1, 2023.

(II) Prior to said repeal, the board shall be reviewed as provided for in section 2-3-1203, C.R.S.

(3) (a) The division is authorized to seek and accept gifts, grants, or donations from private or public sources for the purposes of this section; except that the division may not accept a gift, grant, or donation that is subject to conditions that are inconsistent with this section or any other law of the state. The division shall transmit all private and public moneys received through gifts, grants, or donations to the state treasurer, who shall credit the same to the **EPIC** fund, which fund is hereby created and referred to in this section as the "fund". The moneys in the fund are subject to annual appropriation by the general assembly to the division for the direct and indirect costs associated with implementing this section.

(b) The general assembly finds that the implementation of this section does not rely entirely or in any part on the receipt of adequate funding through gifts, grants, or donations. Therefore, the division is not subject to the notice requirements specified in section 24-75-1303 (3).

(4) By July 1, 2014, and July 1 every three years thereafter, the division shall provide a report to the members of the general assembly regarding the status of the center. The report must include quantitative measures identified by the advisory board that describe the center's impact.

History

Source: L. 2013: Entire section added, (HB 13-1129), ch. 197, p. 801, § 2, effective October 1. **L. 2019:** (1) amended, (HB 19-1331), ch. 258, p. 2468, § 1, effective August 2.

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Notes

Cross references: For the legislative declaration in the 2013 act adding this section, see section 1 of chapter 197, Session Laws of Colorado 2013.

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