

Colorado Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice

**Drug Offense Task Force
Minutes**

October 10, 2019 3:00PM-4:00PM
2nd floor Meeting Room, 700 Kipling, Lakewood

ATTENDEES:

TASK FORCE MEMBERS

Megan Ring, State Public Defender, Co-chair
Tom Raynes, Colorado District Attorneys' Council, Co-chair
Chris Andrist, Colorado Bureau of Investigation
Maureen Cain, Office of the State Public Defender
Janet Drake, Attorney General's Office
Terri Hurst, Colorado Criminal Justice Reform Coalition
Andrew Matson, Colorado CURE
David Quirova, State Court Administrator's Office
Jack Regenbogen, Colorado Center for Law & Policy
Joe Thome, Division of Criminal Justice
Abigail Tucker, Community Reach Mental Health Center
Audrey Weiss, District Attorney's Office, 1st Judicial District
Adam Zarrin, Governor's Office

WORKING GROUP MEMBERS

Matt Karzien, District Attorney's Office, 14th Judicial District

STAFF

Richard Stroker, CCJJ Consultant
Kim English, Division of Criminal Justice
Laurence Lucero, Division of Criminal Justice
Stephané Waisanen, Division of Criminal Justice
Damien Angel, Division of Criminal Justice

ABSENT

Glenn Tapia, Division of Probation Services

<p>Issue/Topic Welcome and Introductions Megan Ring and Tom Raynes</p>	<p>Discussion Co- chairs Megan Ring and Tom Raynes welcomed the group and asked Task Force members to introduce themselves.</p>
<p>Issue/Topic Update: Diversion Working Group Joe Thome & Adam Zarrin</p>	<p>Discussion Joe Thome, Diversion Working Group Co-leader, described four topics identified for attention:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Defining target population and eligibility criteria. • What is the process of diversion/what are decision points? • Issues of screening, assessment and services. • Service delivery/incentives to participate. <p>The Working Group identified three study groups (combining the last two bullets into one group). Elaina Shively, Bruce Brown and Abigail Tucker are leading these study groups.</p>
<p>Issue/Topic Update: Sealing Working Group Audrey Weiss</p>	<p>Discussion Audrey Weiss, Sealing Working Group Leader, reported that their meeting was focused on general processes and procedures regarding the automatic sealing of drug convictions.</p> <p>The group talked about work in other states, including Pennsylvania, Utah and Illinois, that have implemented or are planning on implementing automatic sealing. Several members agreed to do research and perhaps ask someone from the states of interest to speak by phone at the November meeting.</p> <p>The group discussed: current procedures at the Colorado Bureau of Investigation (CBI) and the Judicial Branch; urban/rural differences and resource limitations; and how to integrate their work with current sealing statutes.</p> <p>Maureen Cain mentioned that Working Group member Ean Seeb, from the Governor’s Office, mentioned sealing in relation to marijuana possession.</p> <p>The automated sealing process presents significant technical challenges.</p>
<p>Issue/Topic Next Steps & Adjourn Megan Ring & Tom Raynes</p>	<p>Discussion Megan asked whether the structure of the meetings - with Working Groups (WG) meetings preceding the Task Force meeting - provided enough time for WG discussions. Members from both WGs agreed that the timeframe worked.</p> <p>Co-chairs Megan and Tom thanked members for their contributions and adjourned the meeting.</p>

Next Meeting

Thursday, November 7, 2019 3:00PM – 4:00PM
4th Floor Training Room, 700 Kipling, Lakewood 80215