



Our Ground Rules

(From April CCJJ Meeting)

1. Public safety should always be paramount in our thoughts.
2. It is important that we are inclusive of all represented perspectives and areas of expertise, and that we commit to non-partisanship.
3. We agree to question our assumptions maintain respect for differences and work towards common goals that meet the Commission's mandate.
4. We should seek outside help for areas where we are lacking in knowledge.
5. Because our decisions impact all Colorado, they should be carefully considered from both perspectives of the various regions and diverse populations of both offenders and victims across the state.
6. To the best of our ability, our decisions should be straight forward and timely.
7. Decisions are guided by data and should be aimed at crime prevention, reducing recidivism, achieving public safety through the most cost effective means and achieving justice.
8. We should be mindful that a need for treatment is not an adequate reason to incarcerate someone in DOC (other options should be available).