



**FY2016 RECOMMENDATION/FY16-CC01 Judicial Education**

**Status:** Implementation Complete

**Actions/Updates**

**2022 UPDATE**

Judicial Education was added to the contracts with local units of government that the local community corrections boards (Type 2 or higher) are responsible for the education of community members, referral agencies, etc. This allows for the information to be more specific and tailored to the programming available to the courts in that judicial district. In the annual report community corrections boards provide to the DCJ Office of Community Corrections (OCC), boards are asked to list how they have provided this education. In addition to this the OCC will also provide informational presentations to various stakeholder groups across the state. Just recently (April 29, 2022) the Office of Community Corrections provided a training and presentation to Colorado judges on community corrections for continuing education credits.

**2018-2021 UPDATE**

Status unknown.

**2017 UPDATE**

Status unknown.

**2016 ACTION TO DATE**

This recommendation requires action by the Office of Community Corrections.

**Description**

The Division of Criminal Justice shall work with local community corrections boards to develop judicial education curricula for judges, probation staff, and other interested parties on the topic of local community corrections programs. Community corrections boards shall work with stakeholders including probation staff and judges to develop local curricula and determine the frequency of training. Each training program should include tours of local programs and should be tailored to local needs. The curricula should include at a minimum the following content:

- The purpose of community corrections
  - Kinds of programs available and the target populations of each
  - Role of probation and community corrections as a condition of probation.
- Board criteria for accepting/rejecting applications; clarify eligibility criteria.
- Profile of clients in community corrections
- Use of assessments in local programs and case management
- Description of Progression Matrix
- Length of placement/earned time

- Use of non-residential placements
- Sanctions and incentives used by programs
- Revocation process
- Management of special populations (behavioral health, individuals with disabilities)
- Monitoring practices
- Address local control issues and different board practices around the state for various topics (e.g., victim issues)

### **Agencies Responsible**

Office of Community Corrections

### **Discussion**

It is important for judges and other judicial entities to be aware of community corrections programs and practices in local jurisdictions. To ensure consistency and support, this education should occur in collaboration between local stakeholders and the Division of Criminal Justice's Office of Community Corrections.