



Resources
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Professional Associations

- **American Jail Association (AJA)** – is a national, nonprofit, educational organization representing more than 70,000 jail professionals focusing exclusively on issues affecting them and their facilities. Some of the resources available include Jail Managers Bulletins, Jail Operations Bulletins, Jail Operations videos/DVDs, the Detention and Corrections Caselaw Quarterly, the Legal Issues Manual, the American Jails bi-monthly magazine, the “Exploring Jail Operations” book, the “Who’s Who in Jail Management” directory (with statistics), and the “Write It Right” quarterly.
<http://www.americanjail.org>
- **American Correctional Association** – The American Correctional Association is the oldest and largest international correctional association in the world. ACA serves all disciplines within the corrections profession and is dedicated to excellent in every aspect of the field. From professional development and certification to standards and accreditation, from networking and consulting to research and publications, and from conferences and exhibits to technology and testing – ACA is a resource and the world-wide authority in corrections. <http://www.aca.org/>
- **American Probation and Parole Association (APPA)** - The American Probation and Parole Association is an international association composed of members from the United States, Canada and other countries actively involved with probation, parole and community-based corrections, in both adult and juvenile sectors. All levels of government including local, state/provincial, legislative, executive, judicial, and federal agencies are counted among its constituents. By taking the initiative, APPA has grown to become the voice for thousands of probation and parole practitioners including line staff, supervisors and administrators. Educators, volunteers and concerned citizens with an interest in criminal and juvenile justice are also among APPA's members. APPA will continue to effectively provide services to its constituents. The association represents a strong, unified voice for the field of community corrections. <http://www.appa-net.org>

- **Correctional Management Institute of Texas (CMIT)** – has created a resource library in order to provide an additional resource to the corrections field. This program is **FREE**. Simply complete the order form at <http://www.cmitonline.org/video.php>
- **National Association of Counties (NACo)** - NACo is the only national organization representing county government. Driven by a strong membership, NACo's Board of Directors represents counties across America. NACo's Executive Committee is comprised of four officers elected by the membership, along with a regional representative from each of the four regions in the country. County leaders develop and shape the association's mission and goal. www.naco.org
- **National Association of Pretrial Services** - The National Association of Pretrial Services Agencies, NAPSA, is the national professional association for the pretrial release and pretrial diversion fields. <http://www.napsa.org>
- **National Sheriffs' Association (NSA)** – serves law enforcement and other criminal justice professionals of the nation as a non-profit organization dedicated to raising the level of professionalism among those in the criminal justice field. Through the years, NSA has provided programs for Sheriffs, their deputies, chiefs of police, and others in the field of criminal justice to perform their jobs in the best possible manner and to better serve the people of their cities, counties or jurisdictions. www.sheriffs.org
- **North American Association of Wardens and Superintendents (NAAWS)** - The North American Association of Wardens & Superintendents (NAAWS) is committed to setting goals and achieving results that make a difference when it comes to jail and prison operations. <http://naaws.corrections.com/>
- **NOTE – look on-site for the state jail associations and state sheriffs' associations.**

Grant/Funding Sources

- **Grants.gov** – receive email notifications of new grant opportunity postings and updates on Grants.gov. You do not need to be a registered user of Grants.gov to sign-up for this service. Go to http://www.grants.gov/applicants/email_subscription.jsp to subscribe.

Prison Rape Elimination Act of 2003

- **National PREA Resource Center** - Information regarding the PREA standards, resources to help with compliance, FAQs about the standards, interpretation of the standards, and information on auditing and auditors. Sign up to

receive emailed information on upcoming training and resources.

<http://www.prearesourcecenter.org>

- **End Silence: The Project on Addressing Prison Rape** – Information on PREA, the standards, archived webinars, criminal law responses to prison rape, civil case law, information for adult prisons, jails, community corrections, immigration detention, and juvenile justice, resources, training materials, and other resources. Managed by The Washington College of Law, The American University. <http://www.wcl.american.edu/endsilence/>

Recruiting, Job Searches, Job Boards

- **Discover Corrections** – www.discovercorrections.com is a free, federally funded, website to post jobs, review resumes, and raise the visibility of your organization. The site explores work in prisons, jails and community corrections, provides career resources, and provides a job bank. To view information about go to <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CPSeuDBNqfk>

Federal Organizations

- **National Institute of Corrections/NIC Information Center** – NIC is an agency within the U.S. Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Prisons. A Director appointed by the U.S. Attorney General heads the Institute. NIC provides training, technical assistance, information services, and policy/program development assistance to federal, state, and local corrections agencies. Through cooperative agreements, NIC awards funds to support program initiatives. www.nicic.gov
- **National Criminal Justice Reference Services** – The largest repository of criminal justice books, articles, research, data, reports, etc. regarding the entire criminal justice system. Sign up and receive an emailed alert each week regarding new additions to the site. <https://www.ncjrs.gov>
- **Office of Justice Programs (OJP) Bureaus/U.S. Department of Justice (also can be located under NCJRS.org)**
 - **Bureau of Justice Assistance** – provides leadership and assistance to local criminal justice programs that improve and reinforce the nation's criminal justice system. <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/>
 - **Bureau of Justice Statistics** – the primary statistical agency of the Department of Justice. BJS collects, analyzes, publishes, and disseminates information on crime, criminal offenders, crime victims, and criminal justice operations. BJS also provides financial and technical support to state, local, and tribal governments to improve

their statistical capabilities and the quality and the utility of their criminal history records. <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJS/>

- **National Institute of Justice (NIJ)** – focuses on research, development, and evaluation of crime control and justice issues. NIJ provides objective, independent, evidence-based knowledge and tools to meet the challenges of criminal justice at local and state levels. NIJ funds research, development, and technology assistance. <http://www.ojp.gov/NIJ/>

National Law Enforcement and Corrections Technology Center (NLECTC) – a component of the National Institute of Justice's (NIJ's) Office of Science and Technology, the National Law Enforcement and Corrections Technology Center (NLECTC) system serves as an "honest broker" offering support, research findings, and technological expertise to help State and local law enforcement, corrections, and other criminal justice personnel perform their duties more safely and efficiently. <http://www.justnet.org/Pages/home.aspx>

- **Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention** – assists local community endeavors to effectively avert and react to juvenile delinquency and victimization. <http://www.OJJDP.ncjrs.gov/>
- **Office for Victims of Crime** – distributes federal funds to victim assistance programs across the country. OVC offers training programs for professionals and their agencies that specialize in helping victims. OVC circulates publications and hosts various programs to help develop awareness about victims' rights and services to the public. <http://www.ojp.gov/OVC/>
- **Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS)** – As a component of the Justice Department, the mission of the COPS Office is to advance the practice of community policing as an effective strategy to improve public safety. The COPS Office awards grants to tribal, state, and local law enforcement agencies to hire and train community policing professionals, acquire and deploy cutting-edge crime-fighting technologies, and develop and test innovative policing strategies. <http://www.cops.usdoj.gov/>

Affordable Health Care Act and Jail Inmates

- **White Paper: The Affordable Health Care Act and Criminal Justice: Intersections and Implications**, U. S. Dept. of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance, July 2012 https://www.bja.gov/Publications/ACA-CJ_WhitePaper.pdf
- **Key Elements of the Affordable Health Care Act: Interface with Correctional Setting and Inmate Health Care**, Coalition of Correctional Health Authorities,

American Correctional Association, February 2012

<http://nicic.gov/library/026704>

- **FAQ – The Affordable Care Act and Justice Involved Populations**, Community Oriented Correctional Health Services, October 2013
http://www.cochs.org/files/ACA/COCHS_FAQ_ACA.pdf
- **County Jails and the Affordable Care Act: Enrolling Eligible Individuals in Health Coverage**, Community Services Division, National Association of Counties,
http://www.naco.org/programs/csd/Documents/Health%20Reform%20Implementation/County-Jails-HealthCare_WebVersion.pdf
- **Mapping the Criminal Justice System to Connect Justice-Involved Individuals with Treatment and Health Care under the Affordable Care Act**, U. S. Dept. of Justice, National Institute of Corrections, June 2014,
<http://csgjusticecenter.org/corrections/publications/mapping-the-criminal-justice-system-to-connect-justice-involved-individuals-with-treatment-and-health-care-under-the-affordable-care-act/>

Mental Health and Jail

- **Adults with Behavioral Health Needs Under Correctional Supervision: A Shared Framework for Reducing Recidivism and Promoting Recovery**, U. S. Dept. of Justice, National Institute of Corrections, The Council of State Government, Bureau of Justice Assistance, 2012,
https://www.bja.gov/Publications/CSG_Behavioral_Framework.pdf
- **Developing a Mental Health Court: An Interdisciplinary Curriculum**, The Council of State Governments, <http://learning.csgjusticecenter.org>
- **Guidelines for the Successful Transition of People with Behavioral Health Disorders from Jail and Prison**, U. S. Dept. of Health and Human Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, 2013,
<http://csgjusticecenter.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/12/Guidelines-for-Successful-Transition.pdf>
- **Outpatient Services for the Mentally Ill Involved with the Criminal Justice System**, American Psychiatric Association, 2009,
http://www.google.com/url?sa=t&rct=j&q=&esrc=s&source=web&cd=1&ved=0CCAQFjAA&url=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.psychiatry.org%2Ffile%2520library%2Flearn%2Farchives%2Ffr2009_outpatient.pdf&ei=ExPRVMagFtLesAT_qIDgBw&usq=AFOjCNEvg_zcu2IIIaCB1OZiHhso6KOI6g&bvm=bv.85076809,d.cWc

- **Solitary Confinement and Risk of Self-Harm Among Jail Inmates**, Research and Practice, American Journal of Public Health, 2014, <http://ajph.aphapublications.org/doi/pdf/10.2105/AJPH.2013.301742>
- **Statewide Law Enforcement/Mental Health Efforts: Strategies to Support and Sustain Local Initiatives**, U. S. Dept. of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance, The Council of State Governments, 2012, https://www.bja.gov/Publications/CSG_StatewideLEMH.pdf
- **Treatment Alternatives to Incarceration for People with Mental Health Needs in the Criminal Justice System: The Cost-Savings Implications**, Vera Institute of Justice, 2013, <http://www.vera.org/sites/default/files/resources/downloads/treatment-alternatives-to-incarceration.pdf>

News Sources

- **Crime and Justice News** – a daily Criminal Justice Journalists summary of the nation’s top crime and justice news stories with Internet links supported by John Jay College of Criminal Justice/State University of NY and the Open Society Institute. www.TheCrimeReport.org
- **National Criminal Justice Reference Service** – largest compilation of criminal justice resources, publications, reports, research and studies in the world. You can sign up for weekly notification of NCJRS’s most recent acquisitions. www.ncjrs.gov

Standards for Jails, Jail Medical

- **National Commission on Correctional Health Care (NCCHC)** – The mission of the NCCHC is to improve the quality of health care in jails, prisons and juvenile confinement facilities to include setting standards for and accreditation of correctional health services. www.NCCHC.org

Data, Publications, and Resources

- **The Reentry Policy Council of the Justice Center at the Council of State Governments** – www.reentrypolicy.org. To sign up for the FREE online newsletter, enter your email address in the box on the homepage for “Subscribe to Newsletter.” www.NCJRS.org
- **National Reentry Resource Center** <http://www.nationalreentryresourcecenter.org/> The Resource Center, established by the Second Chance Act, provides assistance to the prisoner

reentry field. NRRC provides education, training, and technical assistance to states, tribes, territories, local governments, service providers, nonprofit organizations, and corrections agencies working on prisoner reentry.

- **Urban Institute's Transition from Jail to the Community Initiative**
<http://www.urban.org/justice/index.cfm> and
<http://www.urban.org/projects/tjc/index.cfm> and Transition from Jail to the Community Implementation Toolkit Online
<http://www.urban.org/projects/tjc/toolkit/>
- **National Center for Justice Involved Women** - The National Resource Center on Justice-Involved Women was established to assist practitioners in understanding and applying the lessons learned from research, promising practices, and the insights of justice-involved women themselves, as practitioners strive to transform the criminal justice system into one that is more gender-responsive – and ultimately more effective.
<http://www.cjinvolvedwomen.org>
- **Policy Review and Development Guide Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Intersex Persons in Custodial Settings**, U. S. Dept. of Justice, National Institute of Corrections, 2013, <http://nicic.gov/library/027507>
- **A Guide to Preparing for and Responding to Jail Emergencies**, U. S. Dept. of Justice, National Institute of Corrections, 2009, <http://nicic.gov/library/023494>
- **Local Government Corrections Expenditures, FY 2005-2011**, U. S. Dept. of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Statistics, 2013, <http://www.bjs.gov/content/pub/pdf/lgcefy0511.pdf>