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Region Two

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Region Three

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Collaborators

The Place Matters team within the Justice Policy Program (JPP) at the Catherine Cutler Institute at the University of Southern Maine, the University of Maine School of Law's Maine Center for Youth Policy and Law (MCYPAL), and the Maine Juvenile Justice Advisory Group (JJAG).

REGIONAL CARE TEAMS

Info Sheet

Regional Meetings:

Each Department of Corrections (DOC) regional administrator will convene a monthly meeting of agency representatives, providers, community stakeholders, and youth and families to support youth in community. The Place Matters team will provide facilitation and support. Participants share information, resources, and strategies to assist in supporting a specific youth and will also help to identify and inform regional and statewide systemic changes that will improve youth, program, and population outcomes.

Meeting Structure:

Each meeting will use a proposal-based decision-making approach to triage and help develop responses to unmet needs for a transition-aged, justice involved youth. The meetings will allow time for participants to get to know one another, share information and announcements, and dialogue around specific cases and resource development needs. Discussions about individual youth needs will be de-identified and follow the confidentiality norms articulated in the Meeting Guide. Meetings will also provide additional data to inform decisions and the opportunity to identify policy and practice barriers for system decision-makers.

Regional Case Review:

The meetings will use a case consultation approach designed to address interdepartmental and other local barriers and leverage resources to support transition aged youth in community success. Anyone within a system or community can refer a justice-involved youth to the care team for review, triage, and support.

Region Care Networks:

Each region supports a network of people and organizations ready to work together to support individual youth and their families AND to help inform system change. To add your name to a regional network to receive information about the care teams and their monthly meetings, email the regional coordinator or facilitator for that region.

Regional Care Goals:

The goal of these regional care teams is to facilitate shared accountability to the health, safety, and wellbeing of justice-involved youth so that all youth are thriving in their communities into adulthood. Regional Care Teams work to strengthen cross-system, provider and community involvement to inform local resource development and increase supports, resources and opportunities for youth through a local community-based continuum of care to decrease detention.