Placement Levels of Care and Other CW Changes

2009 Data Coordinators Conference
This Session…

- We will be going over the new Placement Levels of Care
  - What they are
  - How to enter them in CW or your data system

- We will also be going over the upcoming revisions to CW
Placement Levels of Care

What Are They?
Correctional Levels of Care for Placement

- TJPC has implemented Correctional Levels of Care for secure post-adjudication facilities
  - Began September 1\textsuperscript{st}

- Correctional Levels of Care are based on the intensity of services provided to juveniles in the facility

- Each Correctional Level of Care has a maximum daily rate
Correctional Levels of Care for Placement

- TJPC Correctional Levels of Care mirror the Health and Human Services levels of care.

- TJPC Correctional Levels of Care include:
  - Basic Correctional
  - Specialized Correctional
  - Intensive Correctional
Basic Correctional Level of Care

- The “Basic Correctional” Level of Care consists of:
  - A structured, supportive residential setting designed to maintain or improve functioning
  - Routine guidance and supervision by professionals and paraprofessionals
  - Age-appropriate structured activities and rehabilitative services

- The maximum reimbursement rate for “Basic Correctional” care is $95.00 per day
Basic Correctional Level of Care

- All juvenile offenders are eligible for services offered at the “Basic Correctional” level of care

- All secure post-adjudication facilities registered with TJPC will qualify for basic correctional level reimbursement
Specialized Correctional Level of Care

- The “Specialized Correctional” level of care consists of:
  - A structured, controlled residential treatment setting designed to provide appropriate supervision and moderate levels of therapeutic services
  - Therapeutic interventions including substance abuse services, sex offender treatment, mental health services, and services targeting special populations
Specialized Correctional Level of Care

- Specialized programming must be developed and implemented by appropriately credentialed professionals.

- Review of a juvenile’s continued need for specialized services shall be conducted at least every 90 days.

- The maximum reimbursement rate for “Specialized Correctional” care is $127.00 per day.
Specialized Correctional Level of Care

To be eligible for a specialized correctional level of care juvenile offenders should have one or more of the following:

- Physically aggressive
- Mental health treatment needs (mild)
- History of violent or sexual offenses
- Substance abuse dependency
- Need for gender specific services due to pregnancy
Specialized Correctional Level of Care

- Secure post-adjudication facilities wishing to receive reimbursement at the “Specialized Correctional” level of care rate must submit an application to TJPC and be certified as providing specialized treatment
  - A department may request certification of a specific program or the entire facility
Intensive Correctional Level of Care

- The “Intensive Correctional” level of care consists of:
  - A highly specialized, structured therapeutic setting that serves a clearly identified unique population of juveniles
  - A clinical program structure and services used to effectively manage and treat high need juveniles in a developmentally appropriate fashion
Intensive Correctional Level of Care

- Intensive programming must be developed and implemented by appropriately licensed medical and mental health professionals.

- Review of a juvenile’s continued need for intensive services shall be conducted at least every 30 days.

- The maximum reimbursement rate for “Intensive Correctional” care is $225.00 per day.
Intensive Correctional Level of Care

To be eligible for an intensive correctional level of care juvenile offenders should have two or more of the following:

- Extreme physical aggression
- Mental health treatment needs (moderate to high)
- History of violent or sexual offenses
- Severe substance abuse dependency
- Need for gender specific services due to pregnancy
Intensive Correctional Level of Care

- Secure post-adjudication facilities wishing to receive reimbursement at the “Intensive Correctional” level of care rate must submit an application to TJPC and be certified as providing intensive treatment
  - A department may request certification of a specific program or the entire facility
Eligibility for Specialized and Intensive Levels of Care

- Only secure post-adjudication facilities are eligible to be certified for reimbursement at the specialized and/or intensive correctional levels of care.

- Non-secure correctional facilities registered by TJPC will be eligible for these higher levels of care by 2011.
  - Until that time, all non-secure correctional facilities should be considered “basic correctional.”
Placement Levels of Care

How do I Enter Information into CW?
Entering the Placement Correctional Levels of Care

- A juvenile’s secure placement correctional level of care should be entered on the placement table in CW or your county data system
  - Placement Type will be “secure”
  - Select the facility
  - Select an appropriate service type
Service Type and the New Correctional Levels of Care

- Placement service type should correspond to the placement level of care
- Any service type may be selected at the “basic correctional” level of care
Service Type and the New Correctional Levels of Care

- The service type for a “specialized correctional” or an “intensive correctional” level of care should be a treatment service type
  - Service type should NOT be boot camp
  - Service type should NOT be correctional
### Placement Table Screen

**Placement Detail**

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<th>Placement Date</th>
<th>Cost Per Day</th>
<th>Level Of Care</th>
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**Attach To:** 02/02/2009  
**ABANDON ENDANGER CHILD W/INTENT TO RETURN (FS)**
Entering the Placement Correctional Levels of Care

- The Correctional Level of Care will be selected from the drop-down box in the “Level of Care” field.

- Options added to the field drop-down list:
  - “Basic Correctional”
  - “Specialized Correctional”
  - “Intensive Correctional”
Entering the Placement Levels of Care

- Since TJPC and HHSC levels of care are similarly named it is VERY IMPORTANT to select the correct level from the drop-down box.

- If the juvenile is in a secure facility the level of care will be “correctional”.

- If the juvenile is in a non-secure HHSC licensed facility select the option that does not include correctional in the title.
Entering the Placement Levels of Care

- If the juvenile is in a non-secure correctional facility the level of care should be coded as “basic correctional”
  - Non-secure correctional facilities are department operated non-secure facilities (such as those operated in Dallas and Harris counties)
  - These facilities are not licensed by HHSC
  - These facilities will be registered with TJPC beginning January 2010
Placement Table Screen – Level of Care

![PlACEMENT TABLE SCREEN LEVEL OF CARE](image)
Cost per Day Should Relate to the Level of Care

- Juveniles placed in a facility certified to provide specialized or intensive correctional levels of care should have a cost per day entered that coincides with their level of care.
  - Levels of care rates are based on the services the juvenile receives, not the facility certification.
In Most Cases, Cost per Day = Level of Care Rate

- The actual cost per day of the placement should be entered
  - department may be paying more than the reimbursement rate
What to Do if the Level of Care Changes

- Juveniles at the specialized or intensive correctional levels of care may have their level of care reduced while in placement
  - Juveniles at the specialized correctional level care must have a review after 90 days
  - Juveniles at the intensive correctional level of care must have a review after 30 days

- The review will determine the juvenile’s ongoing care level
What to Do if the Level of Care Changes

- If a juvenile’s level of care changes:

  - Close out the placement:
    - Enter a placement out date that corresponds with the date of the level of care change
    - Enter a discharge reason of “Level of Care”
      - YOU WILL NEED TO CREATE THIS CODE

  - Open a new placement with the new correctional level of care
You will Need to Create a New Discharge Reason

- Create a new discharge reason
  - Go to Administration Codes, Placement Discharge Reasons. Add new code
  - Description should be “Level of Care Change”
# Example One

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Information</th>
<th>Coding</th>
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<tr>
<td>- Mike is placed in secure facility certified for &quot;specialized&quot; care</td>
<td>- Placement type = secure</td>
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<tr>
<td>- Certification for sex offender treatment</td>
<td>- Service type = sex offender</td>
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<td>- Mike is a sex offender</td>
<td>- Cost per day = $127.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>- The cost per day in the facility is $127.00</td>
<td>- Level of Care = Specialized Correctional</td>
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Example Two

**Information**
- Julie is placed in a secure facility with a substance abuse program certified for “specialized” care
- The facility also provides general correctional services to juveniles with no drug treatment needs
- Julie has no treatment needs
- The cost per day in the facility is $95.00

**Coding**
- Placement type = secure
- Service type = correctional
- Cost per day = $95.00
- Level of Care = Basic Correctional
Example Three

**Information**
- Max is placed in a non-secure facility operated by the department
- Facility provides substance abuse treatment services
- Max abuses marijuana
- The cost per day in the facility is $95.00

**Coding**
- Placement type = Residential treatment
- Service type = substance abuse
- Cost per day = $95.00
- Level of Care = Basic Correctional
Example Four

- Kelly is placed in a secure facility that is certified to provide female offender services at a specialized correctional level of care.
- The cost per day in the facility is $150.00 even though the specialized reimbursement rate is only $127.00.

**Information**

- Placement type = secure
- Service type = female offender
- Cost per day = $150.00
- Level of Care = Specialized Correctional
Other CW Updates
Funding Source

- The “Funding Source” field is currently available on most CW tables
  - Program
  - Placement
  - Drug Testing
  - Non-Residential
  - Behavioral Health Referral

- “Funding Source” will be added to the behavioral health treatment table
Current Behavioral Health Treatment Table
Funding Source Options

- The listing of grants available in the funding source drop-down box will be updated to reflect grants available in FY 2010.

- Departments will still be able to add their own funding sources:
  - Remember to not create a funding source that mixes “C”, “X” or “U” grant funds with another funding source.
Funding Source Options

- Changes to funding source options include:
  - Addition of “L” grant – Secure Felony Placement
  - Addition of the “C” grant – Commitment Reduction Grant
  - Addition of the “O” grant
  - Addition of the “V” grant
  - Addition of the “Z” grant
  - Removal of “G” grant
  - Removal of “Level 5 Reimbursement” grant
  - Removal of “CJD/Federal funds”
Example of Current Funding Source List
Updates will Not Change Funding Source for Existing Records

- Changes in funding source will not impact existing records
- Grants no longer available can not be selected once updated
  - “Level 5 Placement” has been replaced with “Secure Felony Placement”
  - Level 5 can no longer be selected as a funding source
Change in Placement Discharge Reason

- Revision of the discharge category “Changed Facilities/Cost per Day Change”

- Category will read:
  - “Level of Care/Cost per Day Change”
  - You will need to create a new code for “level of care change” for use until the CW updates are implemented
New Offense Codes for Violation of Court Order

- Current Violation of a Court Order offense codes include:
  - “50129001” - Violation of Juvenile Court Order (probation)
  - “50129002” - Violation of Juvenile Court Order (determinate sentence probation)

- No information to determine the reason for the violation
New Offense Codes for Violation of Court Order

- TJPC receives requests for information about juveniles disposed for violation of a court order
  - Focus on juveniles disposed to TYC for a violation

- Requests include reason why a juvenile has been disposed for the violation

- Departments have this information but TJPC does not
New Offense Codes for Violation of Court Order

- Reason for violation varies
- Violation may be the result of purely "technical" reasons
  - Curfew violation
  - Not attending school
  - Not attending required program
  - Positive drug test
- Violation may also be the result of a new offense
New Offense Codes for Violation of Court Order

- Knowing the reason for the violation will add to our knowledge of the juvenile

- Knowing the reason for the violation will also help us understand the system and the need for services
New Offense Codes for Violation of Court Order

- New Violation of a Court Order offense codes will be:
  - Violation of Juvenile Court Order - technical (probation)
  - Violation of Juvenile Court Order – new offense (probation)

- New code numbers have not yet been determined but will likely be “50129003” and “50129004”
New Offense Codes for Violation of Court Order

- New determinate sentence probation
  - Violation offense codes will be:
    - Violation of Juvenile Court Order - technical (determinate sentence probation)
    - Violation of Juvenile Court Order – new offense (determinate sentence probation)

- New code numbers have not yet been determined but will likely be “50129005” and “50129006”
How to Enter new Codes in CW

- After CW has been updated the current “violation of a court order” offenses will no longer be available
  - Existing offenses will not change

- The new offenses will be included in the drop-down listing
  - Violation – technical
  - Violation – new offense

- Be careful to select the correct offense!
DPS Offense Codes will Also be Updated

- DPS codes are routinely updated to reflect changes to existing offenses as well as the addition of new offenses.
- These changes will be included in the CW update.
  - Offense field drop-down box will be replaced with latest DPS offense code listing.
Adding a Field to Determine Originating Referral Number

- Currently there is no link to the original referral number/disposition for violation offenses.

- Because of this it is often difficult to determine the offense for which the juvenile is receiving the violation.
  - Also difficult to determine the supervision the juvenile has violated.
Adding Originating Referral Number

- CW updates will include a new field that will ask the user to link the violation referral to the original referral
  - Field will be on the referral tab

- “Original referral” is the referral that resulted in the supervision the juvenile has violated
Chuck was referred to the department in May of 2009 for theft. He was adjudicated and placed on probation for this offense in June. Chuck failed to abide by the conditions of his probation and was referred for a violation in September 2009.

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Originating Referral Number Example

- Lisa has a history of referrals to the department. Her most recent referral was for violation of a court order.

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Other CW Updates

- The upcoming CW updates will also include updates to the statistical tables.
- Updates are the result of discrepancies found during the last data verification process.
  - In some instances TJPC calculations were not consistent with calculations at the department level.
Other CW Updates

- Statistical table updates also reflect changes to coding and clarifications
  - For example the “Home School” and “Other” were added to the school section of the referral table
  - The detention table was re-formatted to distinguish more clearly detention information from placement information
Questions??