JCPC Funding Allocation & Strategic Plan RtA Workgroup

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JCPC Funding Formula Workgroup

- Reviewed historical principles for county allocation of state funds
- Understand General Statutes & Administrative
 Code pertaining to county allocation formula
- Consider formula for allocation expansion distribution
- Consider county match requirements



Historical Look- Allocation

- Began in 1975 with the establishment of Community-based Alternative programming in partnership with local county governments.
- Allocation increases were based on juvenile justice statistics, i.e. threeyear commitment rate
- Direct appropriations became part of the allocation for some counties
- There were years where additional funds were appropriated to increase the availability of certain program types



GS 143B-1104(a)(1-4) Funding for Programs

- (1) Fund effective programs. The Division shall fund programs that it determines to be effective in preventing delinquency and recidivism. Programs that have proven to be ineffective shall not be funded.
- (2) <u>Use a formula for the distribution of funds. A funding formula shall be developed that ensures that even the smallest counties will be able to provide the basic prevention and alternative services to juveniles in their communities.</u>
- (3) Allow and encourage local flexibility. A vital component of the State and local partnership established by this section is local flexibility to determine how best to allocate prevention and alternative funds.
- (4) Combine resources. Counties shall be allowed and encouraged to combine resources and services.



Administrative Code 14B NCAC 11B .0104 FUNDING

- (a) The Department may apportion expansion funds with either:
 - (1) an equal amount per county;
 - (2) a proportionate amount per county based on the county population that is 10-17 years of age; or
 - (3) a combination of the two.

Proposed Recommendations

Hold counties "harmless"

- Based on Administrative Code parameters,
 formula employs a base + population increase
 - Allows for funding to follow population; and
 - Small base increase allows for some continuum services in the smallest counties



Proposed Recommendations

- Equitable access to Restorative Justice
- Increase Base in each county
- With uncertainty of detention costs pursuant to RtA implementation:
 - No Match required on Yr 1
 - Reconsideration of match in Yr 2



JCPC Expansion Recommendations

▶ 1st Year

- Increase base by \$6,600
 - Approximately 15.7% of \$4.2 M used for initial base increase
 - Brings base from \$31,500 to \$38,100
- Distribute the balance based on population

JCPC Expansion Recommendations

▶ 2nd Year

Base amount remains \$38,100

Distribute the balance on population

 Possible realignment of county match percentages

JCPC Expansion Funding Priorities

- Require <u>access</u> to Teen Court services in all 100 counties
- Prioritize funding for
 - Other restorative justice models
 - Capacity building for 16 and 17 year olds in new and existing program models
 - Services to support the School Justice Partnership initiative