

Cross-Site Report: Informal Training - February, 2013

This report summarizes data obtained October—December, 2012. These data reflect informal training obtained by staff of Juvenile Drug Court: Strategies in Practice and Reclaiming Futures programs implemented in five Juvenile Drug Courts in the United States (i.e., the evaluation sites).

Informal Survey Response Rate

Evaluation Site	October (Total N = 109)	November (Total N = 108)	December (Total N = 108)
1	50%	36%	36%
2	73%	60%	53%
3	90%	80%	70%
4	73%	44%	41%
5	76%	67%	63%
All sites	73%	57%	53%

- A higher response rate would increase confidence that the survey findings reflect informal trainings obtained by all program staff as opposed to reflecting those obtained by a select group of staff.
- The survey response rate varied substantially by site.
- Overall, the response rate decreased over time.
- The extent of the decrease in response rate over time varied by evaluation site, from a decrease of 13% to a decrease of 32%.

Percentages in the following tables are calculated out of the total number of program staff who completed the survey for the month.

Percent of Staff who Obtained Self-Directed Informal Training Regarding the Reclaiming Futures Model

Evaluation Site	October (Total N = 80)	November (Total N = 62)	December (Total N = 57)
1	100%	80%	40%
2	82%	78%	63%
3	67%	63%	71%
4	63%	57%	46%
5	74%	83%	65%
All sites	73%	71%	60%

Percent of Staff who Obtained Self-Directed Informal Training Regarding the Juvenile Drug Court: Strategies in Practice Model

Evaluation Site	October (Total N = 79)	November (Total N = 60)	December (Total N = 57)
1	88%	100%	20%
2	82%	67%	75%
3	44%	56%	71%
4	50%	54%	46%
5	72%	56%	47%
All sites	62%	60%	54%

- The rates of staff obtaining informal training varied by evaluation site from as high as 100% to as low as 40% for training regarding the Reclaiming Futures model and from as high as 100% to as low as 20% for training regarding the Strategies in Practice model.
- Overall, the informal training rate decreased over time. The rate for training regarding the Reclaiming Futures model decreased more than that of training regarding the Strategies in Practice model (decrease of 13 percentage points compared to a decrease of 8 percentage points).
- The change over time in informal training rate varied by evaluation site. One site actually experienced an increase from October to December in training rates for both types of training. All of the other sites experienced a decrease from October to December in training rates for both types of training, although the extent of the decrease varied by site and type of training.

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