

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

DIVISION OF ADULT CORRECTIONS COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS LEGISLATIVE REPORT ON THE TREATMENT FOR EFFECTIVE COMMUNITY SUPERVISION PROGRAM

March 1, 2012

§ 143B-274.6 (c). Duties of Department of Correction

The Department of Correction shall report by March 1 of each year to the Chairs of the Senate and House of Representatives Appropriations Committees, the Senate and House of Representatives Appropriations Subcommittees on Justice and Public Safety, and the Joint Legislative Corrections, Crime Control, and Juvenile Justice Oversight Committee on the status of the Treatment for Effective Community Supervision Program. The report shall include the following information:

- (1) The dollar amount and purpose of funds provided on a contractual basis to service providers for the previous fiscal year.
- (2) An analysis of offender participation data received, including the following:
 - a. The number of people on probation and post-release supervision that are in the priority population that received services.
 - b. The number of people on probation and post-release supervision that are in the priority population that did not receive services.
 - c. The number of people on probation and post-release supervision outside of the priority population that received services.
 - d. The type of services provided to these populations.
 - e. The rate of revocations and successful completions for people who received services.
 - f. Other measures as determined appropriate.
- (3) The dollar amount needed to provide additional services to meet the needs of the priority population in the upcoming budget year.
- (4) Details of personnel, travel, contractual, operating, and equipment expenditures for each program type.

The Justice Reinvestment Act was signed into law in June of 2011 (SL 2011-192). This body of legislation creates the Treatment for Effective Community Supervision Program (TESCP) which is to be administered by the Community Corrections section of the Division of Adult Correction. The program is designed to support the use of evidence-based practices to reduce recidivism and to promote coordination between State and community-based corrections programs.

Community Corrections has identified the priority targeted population for TECSP. The core services proven to be most effective in addressing offender criminal thinking and substance abuse have also been documented for this population. It is the goal of the Department to ensure core services are present in all 100 counties.

The Department is in the process of entering into contractual agreements with eligible entities for the operation of community-based corrections programs and will monitor compliance with those agreements. The Department anticipates making award recommendations to State Purchasing and Contract by May of 2012. Prior to submission of the bids there will be four mandatory pre-bidders conferences in geographically dispersed locations. Information on evidence-based practices will be shared by the Department along with opportunity for potential bidders to ask questions about the Request for Proposal (RFP) and the Department's expectations.

A full report on the first year's activities of TECSP will be submitted in March of 2013.