



**Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention  
2021 Annual Family Drug Court Grantee Meeting  
(Virtual)**

# Agenda

Day 1 – Wednesday, September 15, 2021   12:00pm-3:00pm ET	
<b>12:00pm-12:15pm ET</b>	<p><b>Welcome &amp; OJJDP Updates</b></p> <p><i>Presenters</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Geroma Void, Program Manager, OJJDP</i></li> <li>• <i>Leannetta Jessie, Program Manager, OJJDP</i></li> <li>• <i>Heather McDonald, Grants Management Specialist, OJJDP</i></li> </ul>
<b>12:15pm-1:00pm ET</b>	<p><b>National Themes and Grantee Updates</b></p> <p><i>Facilitators</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Jane Pfeifer, Program Director, National FDC Training and Technical Assistance Program</i></li> <li>• <i>Alexis Balkey, Deputy Program Director, National FDC Training and Technical Assistance Program</i></li> </ul>
<b>1:00pm-1:15pm ET</b>	<b>Break</b>
<b>1:15pm-2:00pm ET</b>	<p><b>FTC Trending Themes Breakouts</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><i>A: Cross-systems collaboration, and team and partner dynamics</i></b>   FTC partner organizations work collaboratively, leveraging resources to better serve children, parents, and families and improve outcomes across systems. Discuss strategies to identify community stakeholders and develop resources for FTCs to operate efficiently and meet the comprehensive service needs of the children, parents, and families they serve.</li> <li>• <b><i>B: Governance structure, and state level support</i></b>   FTC governance include a two- or three-tiered structure that consists of an oversight body, steering committee, and operational team. Partner organizations are represented</li> </ul>

	<p>on each level and meet regularly. The oversight body includes executive-level staff from partner organizations and other community leadership and elected officials. The steering committee comprises supervisory-level staff from partner organizations, while the operational team consists of staff who have direct contact with and/or provide direct services for the children, parents and families in the FTC. Discuss strategies to establish and sustain FTC governance structures and how FTC priorities fit in to state and county initiatives.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>C: Therapeutic responses to behavior</b>   Responses to participant behavior should be designed to be therapeutic and motivational while setting and communicating clear expectations for parents. FTCs should engage in a problem-solving discussion considering the underlying causes of participant behavior and the effect of the response on the participant’s children and parent’s engagement in treatment and supportive services.</li><li>• <b>D: Public health crisis’ effect on access to services and supports</b>   COVID-19 continues to have a profound effect on FTCs and the communities they serve. Share challenges and innovative strategies your team is using to adapt practices to address service disruptions during the COVID-19 public health crisis. Discussion topics may include operational challenges, supporting parenting time, and challenges and benefits of virtual practices that have emerged.</li><li>• <b>E: Disproportionality, disparities, and equitable access and outcomes</b>   FTCs should consistently assess its operations and those of partner organizations for policies and procedures that could contribute to disproportionalities and disparities among historically marginalized and other underserved groups. Engage in discussions about the role of data in addressing disproportionalities and disparities and the type of families served in FTCs.</li><li>• <b>F: Pre-file/Pre-petition model</b>   There is increasing interest in the field about pre-file/pre-petition model in FTCs. This model seeks to move upstream to prevention by engaging parents in FTC prior to the filing of a petition alleging abuse or neglect. It is designed to enhance family recovery by providing more timely access to treatment while allowing children to remain safely in the home. Engage in a discussion about the</li></ul>
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	<p>benefits and challenges of implementing a pre-file/pre-petition approach in FTCs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>G: Plans of Safe Care</b>   Engaging pregnant persons with substance use disorders in treatment and other services helps to mitigate or prevent negative birth outcomes. The 2016 amendments to the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act (CAPTA) include requirements to emphasize that Plans of Safe Care (POSC) address the needs of infants who are identified as affected by substance abuse, experience withdrawal symptoms, or have fetal alcohol spectrum disorders (FASD). Discuss the role of the FTC in developing and implementing POSC.</li> </ul>
<b>2:00pm-2:45pm ET</b>	<p><b>Report Out and Q&amp;A Discussion</b></p> <p>Each small group will select a person to deliver a brief report out of any highlights from their discussion. Attendees will be able to ask questions and engage in larger group discussion.</p>
<b>2:45pm-3:00pm ET</b>	<p><b>What to Expect for Day 2, Next Steps and Resources</b></p> <p><u>Presenters</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Kelly Loo Jones, Senior Program Associate, FDC Training and Technical Assistance Program</i></li> </ul>
<b>3:00pm ET</b>	<b>Day 1 - Meeting Adjourned</b>