



## Purpose of the Survey

The purpose of this survey is to gain a better understanding of how courts are currently applying the Enhanced Resource Guidelines with families impacted by Opioid Use Disorder (OUD) and other Substance Use Disorders (SUD). Responses to this survey will inform the creation of a companion guide to the Enhanced Resource Guidelines that highlights the particular challenges that OUD and SUD cases present and the best practices in judicial policy and practice to ensure positive outcomes.

This survey is voluntary, should take no more than 10 minutes to complete, and all responses are anonymous, unless you choose to share your contact information at the end, and only reported in aggregate form. If you choose to add your name and contact information that information will only be used to follow up with you and will not be used to attribute your responses to you.

All data and information will be stored on a secure password protected computer. Only NCJFCJ staff will have access to your responses.

Thank you for your time and effort.

By Clicking "I agree" below you are indicating that you are a sitting tribal or state court judge, have read and understood the purpose of this survey, and agree to participate.

- I agree
- I disagree

## Demographic Questions

How long have you been a judge? (please respond in years)

Which types of cases do you currently preside over? (check all that apply)

- Child Welfare
- Civil
- Domestic Relations
- Family
- Juvenile Justice
- Adult Criminal Justice
- Other

What is your level of knowledge about Opioid Use Disorder and treatment?

- Not at all knowledgeable
- Somewhat knowledgeable
- Very knowledgeable

What is your level of knowledge about other Substance Use Disorders and treatment?

- Not at all knowledgeable
- Somewhat knowledgeable
- Very knowledgeable

## Judicial Oversight

What are some ways you add different or additional judicial oversight for cases that include families affected by OUD and SUD? (check all that apply)

- Family treatment drug court
- Healing to wellness court
- Identifying additional resources and supports that are available within the communities of families
- Implement frequent review hearings in the case

- Requiring case managers to assist in obtaining appropriate and safe housing
- Requiring negative drug screens
- Requiring updates on treatment progress
- Other:
- There are no differences in judicial oversight for cases that include families affected by OUD and SUD

Are you interested in learning more about judicial oversight for cases that include families affected by OUD and SUD?

- Yes
- No

## Judicial Leadership

How do you, as a judge, participate in informing what services are needed in the community related to OUD and SUD? (check all that apply)

- Community resource mapping
- Conducting listening sessions with families
- Conducting listening sessions with youth
- Convening conversations between stakeholders and government leaders
- Educating judges in your jurisdictions on best practices
- Identifying gaps in resources and services
- Providing multi-disciplinary stakeholder (e.g. attorneys, caseworkers, etc.) training in your jurisdiction on best practices
- Reviewing best practices in OUD and SUD treatment
- Writing opinion pieces
- Other:
- I do not participate in identifying services and needs in my community

Are you interested in learning more about methods to identify services in the community?

- Yes
- No

How do you, as a judge, foster collaboration among stakeholders to discuss the challenges for families and children affected by OUD and SUD? (check all that apply)

- Collaborating with directly impacted families to develop policies and procedures
- Coordinating taskforces on improving child permanency outcomes
- Convening workgroups
- Other:
- I do not foster collaboration among stakeholders

## Access to Justice

For the following two questions please report how often individuals who have an OUD/SUD attend court proceedings: always, sometimes, and never.

	Always	Sometimes	Never
How often do parents who are incarcerated attend court hearings?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
How often do parents who are in residential treatment programs attend court hearings?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

How does your jurisdiction ensure that individuals who have an OUD/SUD and are incarcerated can participate in hearings? (check all that apply)

- Attorneys and case managers are questioned if parents are not present
- Attorneys are required to visit clients in jail
- Digital/video conferencing is provided for parents who are incarcerated
- Permanency decisions are delayed to ensure parental presence
- Parents who are incarcerated are physically transported to the court by the facility
- Other:
- Our jurisdiction does not ensure individuals who are incarcerated can participate in hearings

How does your jurisdiction ensure that individuals who have an OUD/SUD and are in residential treatment can participate in hearings? (check all that apply)

- Attorneys and case managers are questioned if parents are not present
- Attorneys are required to visit clients in treatment
- Digital/video conferencing is provided for parents who are in residential treatment
- Permanency decisions are delayed to ensure parental presence
- Parents who are in residential treatment are physically transported to the court by agents of the court
- Parents who are in residential treatment are physically transported to the court by the facility
- Other:
- Our jurisdiction does not ensure individuals who are in residential treatment can participate in hearings

Are you interested in learning more about methods to ensure individuals who are incarcerated or in residential treatment programs can participate in hearings?

- Yes
- No

What methods does your jurisdiction use to ensure access to transportation for individuals experiencing OUD and SUD? (check all that apply)

- Arrange rides through volunteer program
- Identifying programs, resources, and supports that can assist families with transportation
- Pay for rides in taxis and/or ride sharing
- Plan bus/transit routes with individuals
- Provide bus/transit passes
- Verify that Family Support Plans include resources that are realistically accessible to families
- Other:
- Our jurisdiction does not ensure individuals experiencing OUD and SUD have access to transportation

Are you interested in learning more about transportation access for people with OUD and SUD?

- Yes

No

Are peer mentors available for families impacted by OUD and SUD in your court?

Yes

No

Are you interested in learning more about peer mentors?

Yes

No

## Parent Representation

What, if any, special types of training do attorneys receive to work with parents who are experiencing OUD and SUD? (check all that apply)

- Anti-racism training
- Cultural Humility training
- Culturally responsive training on the nature of OUD and SUD and the nature of recovery
- Implicit bias training
- Training on how to read and understand a drug test
- Training on Restorative Responses
- Training on the effective use of evidence-based practices that address co-occurring mental health issues and other co-occurring issues in OUD and SUD treatment
- Training on the Enhanced Resource Guidelines
- Training on the purpose, nature, and evidence base of interventions implemented by the court
- Trauma informed training on the nature of OUD and SUD and the nature of recovery
- Other:
- There is no special training for attorneys
- I don't know

Are you interested in learning more about trainings available to attorneys?

Yes

No

## Cultural Responsiveness

What resources and training are available and utilized for all court staff to provide a culturally appropriate response to OUD and SUD? (check all that apply)

- Anti-racism training
- Cultural humility training
- Culturally appropriate youth programs
- Implicit bias training
- Mental Health Crisis Intervention Teams
- Minority and women led treatment and rehabilitation services options
- Restorative Responses
- Strengths based Family Support Plans
- Trauma-informed case management
- Other:
- There are no culturally appropriate resources and trainings in our court
- I don't know

Are you interested in learning more about trainings and resources to provide culturally appropriate responses to OUD and SUD?

- Yes
- No

## Alternative Dispute Resolution

What types of alternative dispute resolution practices are available for families affected by OUD and SUD? (check all that apply)

- Dependency Mediation
- Family Drug Court Mediation
- Listening Circles
- Restorative Responses

Other:

There are no alternative dispute resolution practices currently available

Are you interested in learning more about alternative dispute resolution practices?

Yes

No

## Appropriate and Adequate Family Time

How do OUD and SUD factor into decisions about family time, including duration, frequency and whether the visits are supervised or unsupervised? (check all that apply)

Families experiencing housing instability are provided with safe space for unsupervised family visits

Families who are not impaired or actively using drugs at the time of family visits are allowed to have unsupervised visits

Families with positive drug tests are allowed to have unsupervised visits

Families with positive drug tests are allowed to have supervised visits only

Families with positive drug tests have less frequent family visits

Families with positive drug tests have shorter family visits

Families with positive drug test have their family time denied or suspended

Steps are taken to ensure families are not using drugs during family time

Other:

OUD and SUD do not factor into decisions about family time

Are you interested in learning more about how OUD and SUD should factor into decisions about family time?

Yes

No

## Child Safety, Permanency, and Well-Being

What are some factors that may challenge a finding of reasonable or active efforts when it comes to OUD and SUD, treatment options, recovery timelines, etc.? (check all that apply)



- Lack of in-home safety plan that takes into account OUD and SUD
- Lack of reasonable effort to find safe homes for families that are suitable and will accept families as they are (i.e. if they have low credit or a felony drug offense)
- Parents are not provided access to attend the proceedings
- Permanency timeline did not take treatment plan and recovery timeline into account
- Family Services Plan is not reflective of the needs and strengths of the families
- Family Services Plan is overly burdensome on the families
- Other:
- There are no factors related to OUD and SUD that may challenge a finding of reasonable or active effort

Are you interested in learning more about OUD and SUD factors that may impact a finding of reasonable or active efforts?

- Yes
- No

### Keeping Families Together

What are ways your community keeps families together (excluding family time visits) while parents are going through treatment for OUD and SUD? (check all that apply)

- Culturally appropriate family strengthening programs
- Children and family members are active participants in case planning
- Family-Based residential treatment options
- Housing for families of individuals in treatment for OUD and SUD
- Mental health supports for individuals and families experiencing OUD and SUD
- Prioritized kinship care
- Subsidized housing for families with histories of felony drug arrests
- Trauma-informed education resources for children impacted by familial OUD and SUD
- Trauma specific interventions for parents and children
- Other
- Our community does not work to keep families together while parents are going through treatment for OUD and SUD
- I don't know

Are you interested in learning more about methods to keep families together?

- Yes
- No

## Community Resources

What resources are available and used in your jurisdiction to respond to OUD and SUD? (check all that apply)

- Adolescent treatment services
- Appropriate and affordable housing
- Behavioral and mental health supports
- Community based support groups
- Culturally appropriate out-of-school time programs
- Education on prevention in schools
- Medication Assisted Treatment for parents
- Medication Assisted Treatment for pregnant people
- Outpatient treatment
- Residential inpatient treatment for families
- Screening, Brief Intervention, and Referral to Treatment (SBIRT)
- STI Testing/Services
- Syringe exchanges
- Whole family treatment
- Other:
- There are no resources to respond to OUD and SUD in my jurisdiction.
- I don't know

Are you interested in learning about more resources to respond to OUD and SUD?

- Yes
- No

## Closing

Those are all of the questions we have for you. Please use the space provided for any additional comments you would like to make about your jurisdiction's handling of cases that are impacted by OUD and SUD.

We asked throughout this survey if you would like to share or learn more information. If you indicated yes and feel comfortable doing so, please list your name and email address and let us know whether you would like to share, learn, or both. Your name and contact information will not be attributed to your survey responses.

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