

# **Training Aid for Policy Project JR 2011-006, Michigan Youth Reentry Initiative Introduction September 2011**

*Residential JJ Training  
Element/Job Aid*



# Michigan Youth Reentry Initiative (MYRI)

- State initiative
- Supports successful completion of residential therapy
- Supports successful transition to community
- Supports successful reintegration into the community
- Reduces recidivism
- Improves community safety



# MYRI Methodology

- Uses multiple stakeholders
- Includes facility staff
- Involves community service providers including mentors
- Looks at dimensions of mental health, substance abuse, education, job skills, housing, and employment
- Three phases, seven decision points



# Phases and Decision Points

- Phase One, Getting Ready
- Starts at youth entry into JJ residential facility
- Includes first two decision points:

## Assessment and Classification

Criminogenic risk factors are identified and targeted

## Programming

Uses an individualized treatment plan  
Evidence-based treatment options



# Phases and Decision Points II

- Phase Two, Going Home
- Starts about six months prior to release
- Specific reentry plans developed
- Includes next two decision points
  - Release preparation
  - Release decision-making



# Phases and Decision Points III

- Phase Three, Staying Home
- Begins upon return to the community
- Continues until end of supervision
- Big load on the youth to make it work
- Includes final three decision points

Supervision and services

Incentives

Discharge and aftercare

