

## **Solutions for Girls in the Juvenile Justice System**

### **Topic Outline**

#### Across from the Bench: Personal Stories of the Juvenile Justice Experience

1. Introductions and Why We Are Here
  - a. Real Changes
2. Legal Challenges and Barriers for Girls in the Juvenile Justice System
3. Trauma Informed Attorneys
  - a. Being Culturally Responsive
4. Understanding Girls in the System
  - a. What More People Need to Understand
5. A Message to Young Girls Currently in the System
6. Solutions that Are Working
  - a. Solutions Needing Wider Implementation
7. Hope for the Future

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#### Innovative Approaches from the Center for Children and Youth Justice (CCYJ)

1. Defining the Term “Girl”
2. Identify and Understand Impacted Youth (Systems Change)
  - a. “Risk Factors”
  - b. Statistics
  - c. Identify Impacts Experiences & Outcomes
  - d. Juvenile Justice Involved Girls Are Being Trafficked
3. Improve Practice (Systems Change)
  - a. Kitsap Girls Court Program
  - b. What’s the Judge’s Role
4. Enhance Multisystem Coordination and Collaboration (Systems Change)
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  - b. What’s the Judge’s Role
5. Foster Sustainability (Systems Change)
  - a. Macro Scale

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#### A Brief Overview of the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 1974, as Amended through the Juvenile Justice Reform Act of 2018

1. The Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 1974 (JJDPA)
  - a. The JJDPA's Four Core Protections
  - b. The Role of the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP)
2. The Juvenile Justice Reform Act of 2018 (JJRA)
  - a. The Key JJRA Reforms
  - b. The JJRA's Provisions Regarding Gender-Responsive Services
3. Why the JJDPA and JJRA Matter

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#### No Girl Left Behind: Girls Courts as a Restorative Justice Approach to Healing

1. Why Care? Why Girls? Why Alternative Courts?
2. Time for Change
  - a. Mass Incarceration Context
  - b. The Juvenile Justice System
  - c. Impact of Trauma (Girls Are Not Ok)
3. What Should We Do
  - a. Gendered Approach to Justice
    - i. Existing Girls Court Models
  - b. Lessons from Alternative Courts
  - c. Proposed Restorative Justice Girls Court Model
    - i. Trauma Informed
    - ii. Two Track Model
4. Best Practice Alternative Court Attributes
5. Model Girls Court Components
  - a. Referral and Intake
  - b. Individualized Programs and Treatment
  - c. Parental Involvement
  - d. Specialized Dockets
  - e. Mentorship Programs
  - f. Practical Skill Training
  - g. Educational Monitoring
6. Q & A