

DMC Technical Assistance

The Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency is making technical assistance/training available to communities and agencies across Pennsylvania on the topic of Disproportionate Minority Contact (DMC). As the diversity of the population in the Commonwealth continues to change, so does the number of minority youth involved in the juvenile justice system. This technical assistance/training will give an overview of what DMC is and explain how communities can help reduce the disproportionality of minority youth in the juvenile justice system.

The issue of Disproportionate Minority Contact (DMC) is a hot topic in many areas across the Commonwealth, however many community members and juvenile justice professionals don't know what DMC is or how it affects them. Through this day-long training on DMC, professionals will learn what DMC is, how to measure DMC, determine what contributes to DMC, and how to develop data-based approaches to reducing DMC. The objectives of this training include:

- An understanding of the Relative Rate Indexes (RRIs) to measure disproportionality
- An understanding of the OJJDP DMC-Reduction Model
- An understanding of performance measures and data-based approaches to reducing DMC

To request training, please submit a one-page proposal which should include the number of attendees along with names and titles, and a brief explanation of why this training is needed/desired in your community to:

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Please Note: Specific requests for TA based on different objectives than those listed above will also be considered.