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NEVADA BOARD OF PAROLE COMMISSIONERS

November 28, 2016

To: Board of Parole Commissioners

Subject: NDOC Programs and Parole Risk Assessment

RE: Agenda Item VI - Review of the current evidence based programs administered by the Department of Corrections (NDOC). The Board may approve the inclusion of additional NDOC programs that the Board awards credit for successful completion on the Nevada Parole Risk Assessment (NPRA).

During the 2012 revalidation of the parole risk assessment (for 2008 NDOC releases), the inmates who had received credit under the then definition for receiving credits for program completion returned to NDOC with a new felony at a higher rate than those who did not received credit for program completion (26% versus 21%).

Because of the 2012 results, the consultant who revalidated the risk assessment (JFA & Associates) indicated at that time that the Board should only give program credit for obtaining a GED, High School and above formal degree, or a vocational training program. The consultant further indicated that as other programs are certified by the NDOC in terms of their efficacy; those programs should also be counted with inmate receiving credit of -1 points.

The requirements for a program to be included for a point deduction on the parole risk assessment are:

- a) The program is designed to reduce recidivism;
- b) The program has a formal curriculum, and the course is administered according to the curriculum; and
- c) The personnel administering the program are trained to administer it.

In the year prior to the 2012 revalidation, the NDOC made a commitment to incorporate evidence-based practices into its substance abuse treatment programs. NDOC hired administrative staff with a high level of expertise in developing, implementing and managing evidence-based practices for corrections agencies and reestablished a number of programs using those evidence-based practices.

Attached is a list of the current NDOC programs. The programs highlighted in yellow are the programs we currently give credit for on our risk assessment.

With the exception of some of the vocation programs, most of the current programs we currently give credit for are long-term programs. Some of the programs listed on the attachment are very short classes and may not be suitable for giving credit on the risk assessment without having hard data indicating their effectiveness at reducing recidivism.

The Board is requested to review the attached programs and determine which programs should be included for program credit on the parole risk assessment. Personnel from the NDOC will be present at the meeting and will be able to answer questions related to these programs and their efficacy.

NDOC Programs as of 11/28/2016

VOCATIONAL/EDUCATION PROGRAMS

Program Name	Facility	# of Hours	Number Credits Assigned	Risk Target	Facilitator Requirements	Effective Date
Advanced Computers	All	N/A meets NDE requirements	60	Unemployment/education	NDE Certification	06/14/16
Air Conditioning and Heating	All	N/A meets NDE requirements	60	Unemployment/education	NDE Certification	06/14/16
Auto Mechanics/ Auto Shop	All	N/A meets NDE requirements	60	Unemployment/education	NDE Certification	6/14/2016
Automotive Technology	All	N/A meets NDE requirements	60	Unemployment/education	NDE Certification	6/14/2016
Business	All	N/A meets NDE requirements	60	Unemployment/education	NDE Certification	6/14/2016
Certified Screen Printer	NNCC	186	60	Unemployment/education	NDOC Prison Industry Staff	8/8/2016
College Certificate	All	N/A meets NDE requirements	60	Unemployment/education	NDE Certification	6/14/2016
Collision Repair	All	N/A meets NDE requirements	60	Unemployment/education	NDE Certification	6/14/2016
Computers	All	N/A meets NDE requirements	60	Unemployment/education	NDE Certification	6/14/2016
Construction	All	N/A meets NDE requirements	60	Unemployment/education	NDE Certification	6/14/2016
Culinary	All	N/A meets NDE requirements	60	Unemployment/education	NDE Certification	6/14/2016
Entrepreneurship	All	N/A meets NDE requirements	60	Unemployment/education	NDE Certification	6/14/2016
Green Technology	All	N/A meets NDE requirements	60	Unemployment/education	NDE Certification	6/15/2016
Janitorial/OSHA	All	N/A meets NDE requirements	60	Unemployment/education	NDE Certification	9/19/2016
New Paths	FMWCC	1800	60	Vocational.Educational	Volunteer staff only	3/9/2015
Plant Science and Horticulture	All	N/A meets NDE requirements	60	Unemployment/education	NDE Certification	6/14/2016
Respect	All	N/A meets NDE requirements	60	Unemployment/education	NDE Certification	8/18/2016
Small Engine Repair Technology	NNCC	N/A meets NDE requirements	60	Unemployment/education	NDE Certification	6/14/2016
Welding	All	N/A meets NDE requirements	60	Unemployment/education	NDE Certification	6/14/2016

CORE PROGRAMS

Program Name	Facility	# of Hours	Number Credits Assigned	Risk Target	EBP Level Assigned	Effective Date
Anger and Aggression	All	15	15	Antisocial Behavior	4 (Crime Solutions.org - Cognitive Behavioral Therapy for Moderate-High Risk-Adult Offenders)	6/25/2014
Anger: Creating New Choices	All	16.5	15	Antisocial Behavior	4 (Crime Solutions.org - Cognitive Behavioral Therapy for Moderate-High Risk-Adult Offenders)	3/4/2015
Anger Management for Substance Abuse and Mental Health Clients	All	18	15	Criminal Thinking, Antisocial Behavior	4 (Crime Solutions.org - Cognitive Behavioral Therapy for Moderate-High Risk-Adult Offenders)	10/6/2016
Challenge	All	54	30	Criminal thinking, Substance abuse (non-tx)	5 (NREPP - Interactive Journaling)	7/14/2015
Clark County Parenting Program	FMWCC, JCC, HDSP, SDCC	36	30	Dysfunctional Family	5 (NREPP - Nurturing Parents & Triple P)	10/6/2015
Commitment to Change (Phase I, II, III)	All	Phase I- 12; 10; Phase II- Phase III- 10	15 per phase	Criminal Thinking	4 (Crime Solutions.org - Cognitive Behavioral Therapy for Moderate-High Risk-Adult Offenders)	4/24/2014
Employment Skills	CGTH, FMWCC, HDSP, NNRC, SDCC, WSCC	7.5	5	Lack of education, Lack of job skills, Negative attitude about work	5 (NREPP - Interactive Journaling)	7/15/2015
Forward Thinking (Correctional Youth only)	All	54	30	Criminal Thinking, Substance Abuse (non-tx)	5 (NREPP - Interactive Journaling)	7/15/2015
Getting it Right	All	37.5	30	Criminal Thinking	5 (NREPP - Interactive Journaling)	4/21/2015
Getting Motivated to Change	All	8	5	Antisocial personality, Criminal thinking	5 (NREPP - TCU (Texas Christian University) Mapping-Enhanced Counseling)	4/21/2015
Good Intentions, Bad Choices	All	22.5	15	Criminal Thinking	4 (Crime Solutions.org - Cognitive Behavioral Therapy for Moderate-High Risk-Adult Offenders)	3/4/2015
Healthy Steps to Freedom	FMWCC, JCC	24	30	Co-occurring substance abuse and mental health	4	4/24/2014
InsideOut Dad	All	24	30	Dysfunctional Family	4 (NREPP)	11/21/2013

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Program Name	Facility	# of Hours	Number Credits Assigned	Risk Target	EBP Level Assigned	Effective Date
New Light	FMWCC	350.5	60	Substance Abuse (tx)	4 (Crime Solutions.org - Cognitive Behavioral Therapy for Moderate-High Risk-Adult Offenders)	6/24/2015
Relapse Prevention (Sex Offender Treatment)	LCC	24.5	15 (under review, probably increase)	Antisocial behavior, Criminal behavior	Washington State Institute for Public Policy- Sex Offender Treatment during Incarceration	12/16/2014
Seeking Safety, Phases I, II	All	24 per phase	30 per phase	Mental Health/Substance Abuse (non-tx)	5 (NREPP - both genders; CrimeSolutions.gov - women)	6/25/2014
Sex Offenders Treatment Program (I, II, III, IV)	LCC, NNCC, WSCC	48 per phase	15 (under review, probably increase)	Antisocial behavior, Criminal behavior	Washington State Institute for Public Policy- Sex Offender Treatment during Incarceration	4/24/2014
Stepping Stones	CGTH	70	30	Substance Abuse (Tx)	4 (Crime Solutions.org - Cognitive Behavioral Therapy for Moderate-High Risk-Adult Offenders)	12/17/2013
Straight Ahead: Transition Skills for Recovery	All	20	30	Substance Abuse (Non-tx)	5 (NREPP - TCU (Texas Christian University) Mapping-Enhanced Counseling)	6/24/2015
Therapeutic Community, Phases I, II, III	FMWCC (STARS), SDCC (TRUST), WSCC (Phoenix)	Phase I, 220.5 Phase II, 226.5 Phase III, 251	60 per phase	Substance Abuse (Tx)	5 (NREPP - Correctional Therapeutic Community for Substance Abusers; CrimeSolutions.gov- Incarceration-based Therapeutic Communities for Adults)	7/16/2014
Therapeutic Community, Aftercare	FMWCC (STARS), SDCC (TRUST), WSCC (Phoenix)	233	60	Substance Abuse (Tx)	5 (NREPP - Correctional Therapeutic Community for Substance Abusers; CrimeSolutions.gov- Incarceration-based Therapeutic Communities for Adults)	7/16/2014
Thinking for a Change	All	37.5	30	Antisocial behavior, Antisocial personality, Criminal thinking	CrimeSolutions.Gov & NIC	4/24/2015
Transition Skills	All	13.5	15	Criminal thinking	5 (NREPP - Interactive Journaling)	4/24/2014
Turning Point, Phase I	CGTH/NNRC	40	30	Unemployment/Education	5 (NREPP - Interactive Journaling)	2/17/2016
Victim Impact: Listen & Learn	All	32.5	30	Criminal thinking	3 Office for Victims of Crime	3/31/2014
Way Safe: Mapping Your Way to a Healthy Future	All	6	5	Substance abuse	5 (NREPP - TCU (Texas Christian University) Mapping-Enhanced Counseling)	3/31/2015

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

Program Name	Facility	# of Hours	Number Credits Assigned	Risk Target	EBP Level Assigned	Effective Date
High School Diploma	All	N/A	NRS 209.446 (60) NRS 209.4465 (90)	Education	Nevada Department of Education Certified Class	10/1/2015
High School Equivalency	All	N/A	NRS 209.446 (30) NRS 209.4465 (60)	Education	Nevada Department of Education Certified Class	10/1/2015
Associate's (AA or AS) Degree	All	N/A	NRS 209.446 (90) NRS 209.4465 (120)	Education	Nevada Department of Education Certified Class	10/1/2015
Bachelor's (BA or BS) Degree	All	N/A	NRS 209.446 (0) NRS 209.4465 (90)	Education	Nevada Department of Education Certified Class	10/1/2015
Master's (MA or MS) Degree	All	N/A	NRS 209.446 (0) NRS 209.4465 (90)	Education	Nevada Department of Education Certified Class	10/1/2015

JOB SKILLS PROGRAMS

Program Name	Facility	# of Hours	Number Credits Assigned	Risk Target	EBP Level Assigned	Effective Date
Braille I (Braille); Braille II (Nemeth Code- for mathematics); Braille III (Music Braille); Braille IV (Literacy Proofreading)	All	N/A	NRS 209.446 (30)	Vocational	Nevada Department of Education Certified Class	10/1/2015
Financial Literacy	All	N/A	NRS 209.446 (30)	Vocational	Nevada Department of Education Certified Class	10/1/2015
Forklift Operator Training	All	N/A	NRS 209.446 (15)	Vocational	Nevada Department of Education Certified and OSHA Certified Class	10/1/2015
OSHA 10- Construction Safety and Health Outreach Course	All	N/A	NRS 209.446 (5)	Vocational	Nevada Department of Education Certified and OSHA Certified Class	10/1/2015
Photovoltaic	All	N/A	NRS 209.446 (15)	Vocational	Nevada Department of Education Certified Class	10/1/2015
ServSafe	All	N/A	NRS 209.446 (30)	Vocational	Nevada Department of Education Certified Class	10/1/2015
ServeSafe Manager	All	N/A	NRS 209.446 (30)	Vocational	Nevada Department of Education Certified Class	10/1/2015