

Announcement: NPRC Seeking Parole Boards to Participate in Testing of Continuity Curriculum

Background

The U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) is pleased to announce additional support for the activities of the National Parole Resource Center (NPRC), a project that serves as a source of information, training, and technical assistance for paroling authorities and the supervision agencies that they oversee and with whom they collaborate. The NPRC is soliciting applications from parole boards who have experienced (or anticipate that they will experience) a significant change in their membership to test a “continuity curriculum” currently under development by the NPRC. This curriculum will be designed to respond to the challenges facing paroling authorities who are working to assimilate new members, and to provide those members with the adequate information and resources necessary to do their jobs most effectively. Under this initiative and utilizing the curriculum that is developed, the NPRC will provide specialized assistance to up to three paroling authorities who are experiencing significant turnover in membership and demonstrate a need for and an ability to benefit from this assistance. The assistance will include:

- An initial assessment by NPRC staff to identify the issues raised by the turnover in the board’s membership, the need for substantive training for new members, and the issues raised with regard to creating a collaborative, highly-functioning board;
- An on site facilitated “continuity retreat” to provide a forum for discussion of and problem-solving around the issues outlined above; and
- A post-retreat report that outlines specific action steps and recommendations for moving forward with a strategic plan for assimilating new members.

The Technical Assistance Application Process

Interested applicants should complete and submit the attached technical assistance application. Applications may be submitted electronically via email to Peggy Burke, NPRC Project Director, at pburke@cepp.com. The NPRC welcomes inquiries about this technical assistance offering, and encourages individuals who are interested in submitting applications to be in touch with NPRC to discuss their technical assistance needs and how these needs might be translated into a formal application. Please contact Peggy Burke with questions via email or by phone at 301-589-9383.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, OFFICE OF JUSTICE PROGRAMS,
BUREAU OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE
AND THE
NATIONAL PAROLE RESOURCE CENTER (NPRC)
CONTINUITY TRAINING ASSISTANCE APPLICATION FORM

PART I

Date of Application:		
Contact Person:		
Title:		
Agency:		
County:		
Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
Phone:	Fax:	
E-Mail:		
Please list the practice target(s) the applicant will address.		

Please Note: All technical assistance recipients are required to participate in a follow-up assessment of the impact of the assistance. Recipients will be asked to complete and submit an evaluation form (provided by NPRC) describing the assistance that was received, and its effectiveness.

