

**Priority:** Safety **Lead Agency:** Community Justice  
**Program Offer Type:** Innovative/New Program **Program Contact:** Wayne Scott  
**Related Programs:** 50013A, 50017, 50019A, 50022A, 50022B, 50023A

**Program Characteristics:**

**Executive Summary**

Juvenile Sex Offender Multi-Systemic Therapy (JSO MST) will provide intensive family-based services to 40 child/youth sexual offenders. JSO MST is a promising, new, specialized adaptation of MST - a treatment model that has proven effective at reducing recidivism and preventing institutionalization. The JSO MST model is not currently available in Oregon.

**Program Description**

DCJ annually receives hundreds of police reports of children ages 12 years and younger who are sexually offending under Oregon laws. These children are not appropriate for criminal handling and probation. Instead, police reports are reviewed by a team comprised of staff from DCJ, the State Department of Human Services (DHS), the County District Attorney's (DA) Office and specialized law enforcement. Given the volume of referrals received each year regarding adults abusing, abandoning and endangering children, only the most serious reports of "children sexually offending children" receive a full investigation. Less emergent cases result in a letter to parents referring them to community counseling services. Often parents are unable or unwilling to seek counseling and the sex offending behaviors are repeated as the child ages. JSO MST will create early intervention capacity to seek out and serve such families in their home environment.

JSO MST would provide three therapists specialized in MST and the treatment of sex offending behaviors to work with these children/youth in their homes, schools and communities. It is projected that two of these positions would serve 27 child sexual offenders a year. The third position would work with approximately 13 adolescent sex offenders each year to stabilize their living environment and maximize the youth's ability to progress in community-based sex offender treatment. During FY 0506, DCJ received approximately 200 police reports regarding County youth ages 13-18 years old allegedly committing sex offense crimes. Some of these referrals were not prosecutable or were eventually dismissed by the court. However approximately 130 of these adolescents, many having received their first police reports for sex offending between the ages of 5 - 10 years, were court ordered to monitoring by DCJ's Juvenile Sex Offender Probation Supervision Program. Other adolescents entered the adult system through Measure 11 handling.

**Program Justification**

The Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers (ATSA) and the Oregon Adolescent Sex Offender Treatment Network (OASOTN) cite early intervention and treatment as primary to reducing future sexual offending. Intervening in sexually inappropriate behaviors in children will reduce the number of adolescents who later enter the juvenile and adult systems as sex offenders. JSO MST is an evidence-based model with highly promising results: "MST has been shown to be an effective treatment in terms of preventing further sexual and non-sexual offences amongst young people who have sexually offended as well as reducing sexual behavior problems among non-adjudicated youth" (Child Protection and Early Intervention Directorate Literature Review, December '05). In Oregon, juvenile sex offenders are the youth most often sent to correctional facilities. MST is a family preservation model geared to reducing the costly, long-term effects of institutionalization.

**Performance Measures**

Measure Type	Primary Measure	Previous Year Actual (FY05-06)	Current Year Purchased (FY06-07)	Current Year Estimate (FY06-07)	Next Year Offer (FY07-08)
Output	Number of children/youth and families served by JSO MST.	0	0	0	30
Outcome	Percent of JSO MST clients that do not sexually re-offend 6 months post program.	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	75.0%
Outcome	Percent of JSO MST clients that do not recidivate 6 months post program exit.	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	75.0%

**Performance Measure - Description**

Recidivism is measured by a new criminal referral. A time span of 6 months will be used only for FY 0708 to allow time for program initiation and the hiring and training of 3 therapists. Subsequent funding will measure 12 month post program outcomes.

## Legal/Contractual Obligation

ORS 419C.001 – "The {juvenile} system shall provide a continuum of services that emphasize the prevention of further criminal activity by the use of early and certain sanctions, reformation and rehabilitation programs and swift and decisive intervention in delinquent behavior."

## Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2007	2007	2008	2008
Personnel	\$0	\$0	\$283,132	\$0
Contracts	\$0	\$0	\$57,000	\$0
Materials & Supplies	\$0	\$0	\$1,952	\$0
Internal Services	\$0	\$0	\$4,800	\$0
Subtotal: Direct Exps:	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$346,884</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Administration	\$0	\$0	\$15,814	\$0
Program Support	\$0	\$0	\$17,344	\$0
Subtotal: Other Exps:	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$33,158</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Total GF/non-GF:	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$380,042</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Program Total:	<b>\$0</b>		<b>\$380,042</b>	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	3.20	0.00
<b>Program Revenues</b>				
Program Revenue for Admin	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Total Revenue:</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

## Explanation of Revenues

County General Fund.

## Significant Program Changes

**Last year this program was:**

New program offer