

Raise the Age Workgroup Meeting

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February 14, 2024 | 2-4 PM | Via Microsoft Teams

This meeting will be recorded.



Washington State Department of
CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES

Introductions

1. Preferred name and pronouns (optional)
2. Organizational affiliation
3. What expertise, experience, perspective, or interest connects you to this project?

Optional: Access/communications needs (or share with Heidi privately)

Agenda

- 2:00 – Welcome & Introductions
- 2:20 – Shared Agreements for Engagement
- 2:30 – Project Overview
- 2:40 – Presentation: Emerging Adult Justice
- 3:10 – Breakout Discussions
- 3:20 – Full Group Discussion
- 3:50 – Next Steps
- 4:00 – Conclude



Shared Agreements for Engagement

Seek to understand and be understood. Avoid acronyms, use plain and accessible language.

Be solutions-oriented. If you identify a problem, try to also offer a solution.

Create and support flexible options for participation.

Respect the privacy of anyone sharing their lived experience.

Close decisions and follow up. Identify necessary actions and follow through.

The degree to which we focus on engaging well is the degree to which we make good decisions.



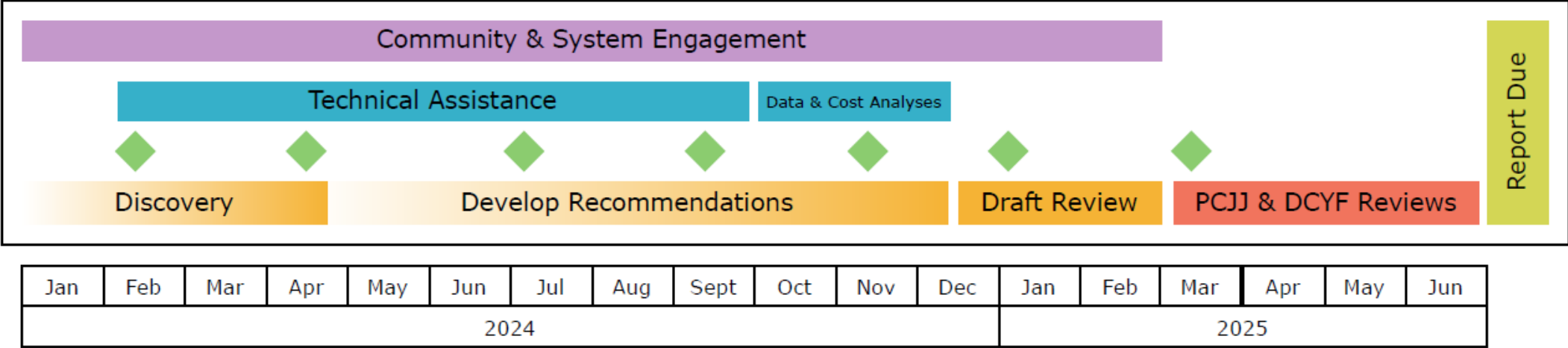
Project Overview

By June 30, 2025, report to the governor and appropriate committees of the legislature recommendations regarding **implementation of juvenile court jurisdiction expansion to encompass persons 18, 19, and 20 years old**.

Recommendations shall include:

- An **implementation plan for the expansion**, including necessary funding, essential personnel and programmatic resources, measures necessary to avoid a negative impact on the state's child protection response, and specific milestones related to operations and policy.
- The implementation plan shall also include a **timeline for structural and systemic changes** within the juvenile justice system for the
 - juvenile rehabilitation division;
 - the department of children, youth, and families;
 - the department of corrections;
 - and the juvenile court pursuant to chapter 13.04 RCW.
- The implementation plan shall also include an **operations and business plan** that defines benchmarks including
 - possible changes to resource allocations;
 - a review of the estimated costs avoided by local and state governments with the reduction of recidivism and an analysis of cost savings reinvestment options; and
 - estimated new costs incurred to provide juvenile justice services to persons 18, 19, and 20 years old.

Timeline



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Presentation: Emerging Adult Justice

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Breakout Discussions

1. Extended introductions

2. Inventory impact and opportunity:

- If juvenile court jurisdiction were expanded to include 18-, 19-, and 20-year-olds, what would be the impacts to your work?
- Which other systems or areas does your work most interact with, and how do you foresee those being impacted?
- What other questions/issues would need to be addressed?
- What opportunities would this expansion present?

- What statutes or rules govern those areas of impact?



Group Discussion



Next Meeting:
April 10, 2024 | 2 PM

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