

Title 78, Nebraska Commission on Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice
Chapter 8, Juvenile Diversion Data Collection

001 PURPOSE: To establish procedures governing the reporting of juvenile diversion data to the Nebraska Commission on Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice, hereafter referred to as Crime Commission.

002 SCOPE: Applicable to all county attorneys, city attorneys and those agencies providing juvenile pre-trial diversion services.

003 REFERENCE: Nebraska Statute 43-260.07

004 RESPONSIBILITIES: Every county attorney or city attorney of a county or city which has a juvenile pretrial diversion program shall comply with this Rule and Regulation.

005 CLASSIFICATION: For the purpose of determining the types of diversion programs available and the volume of youth they serve, counties were classified into four tiers.

005.01 Tier One Counties Defined: Diversion programs in Nebraska who deliver multiple levels of diversion services to a significant number of juveniles (250 or more).

005.02 Tier Two Counties Defined: Counties who provide several diversion options and serve a moderate number of youth (60-249).

005.03 Tier Three Counties Defined: Counties that typically have one main diversion service and serve a lower volume of youth (59 or less). These programs may use a mixture of formal and informal programming.

005.04 Tier Four Counties Defined: Counties with no juvenile diversion options.

006 PROCEDURE: Procedure for collection of juvenile diversion data from Nebraska County Attorney's.

006.01 Data Reporting: An access based case management system has been developed to assist counties in collecting the minimum required information. This case management system can be accessed by contacting the Nebraska Commission on Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice. The case management system allows the program to generate reports for local use as well as submit an extract of the required data reporting fields to the Crime Commission electronically. Paper reports will not be accepted. An agency or county will need to contact the Juvenile Grants Administrator at the Crime Commission if using a system other than the case management system to determine compatibility with reporting requirements.

006.01A Counties will begin submitting data July 1, 2005. A one time upload of any/all data collected thus far in counties case management systems will be required on July 1, 2005. After that, counties will follow the following quarterly reporting schedule:

QUARTERLY DATA	
January 1 – March 31	Due April 1
April 1 – June 30	Due July 1
July 1 – September 30	Due October 1
October 1 – December 31	Due January 1

006.01B Tier Four Counties must submit a letter to the Crime Commission on December 1 of every year stating the following: a) that they do not have a juvenile pre-trial diversion program; b) reason(s) why no program exists; and c) any efforts being made to establish a juvenile pre-trial diversion program.

006.02 Data Requirements: The following data elements must be provided.

006.02A Offense Data:

- a. Date of offense
- b. Date of referral to diversion
- c. Date of intake
- d. Referral Source: County Attorney; City Attorney; School
- e. Offense(s) Cited : Using NCIC codes
- f. Prior Legal Violations
- g. Prior Cases Diverted

006.02B Admissions:

- a. Date Admitted
- b. Not Admitted: If not, why: youth/parent refused diversion; diversion program declined admission; referral withdrawn

006.02C Diversion:

- a. End Date
- b. Reason: juvenile discharged from diversion, no further legal action; juvenile failed to comply with program conditions; juvenile had new law violations; other (moved away, death, etc.)

006.02D Issues:

- a. Abuse/Neglect
- b. Suicidal Ideation
- c. Substance abuse
- d. Truancy
- e. Diagnosed mental health issues
- f. Prior crime victimization

006.02E Scores:

- a. YLS/CMI (Youth Level of Service/Case Management Inventory)
- b. MAYSI II (Massachusetts Youth Service Inventory)
- c. SSI (Simple Screening Instrument)
- d. Other

006.02F Diversion Requirements:

- a. Education
- b. Community Service
- c. Restitution
- d. Therapy/Counseling
- e. Parent Participation Required
- f. Fee Collected
- g. Teen Court

006.02G Youth Information:

- a. Youth ID #
- b. Date of Birth
- c. Race: American Indian or Alaska Native; Asian; Black/African American; Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander; White
- d. Ethnicity: Hispanic or Latino; Not Hispanic or Latino
- e. Gender: Male or Female
- f. Zip Code
- g. School Enrollment: Enrolled (includes home school); Not Enrolled; graduated High School Diploma; Completed GED
- h. Family Income Level: 0-9,999; 10,000-24,999; 25,000-39,999; 40,000 or over
- i. Legal custody: parent; guardian; state ward
- j. Family size: Number of people living in household

006.03 Data Use: The Crime Commission will prepare an annual report on the status of juvenile diversion in Nebraska. Data received will also be used in statewide planning efforts, determining training needs and funding priorities.