

Indiana Interstate Compact State Council

August 22, 2024

Minutes

The Indiana Interstate Compact State Council met on August 22, 2024, at 10:00-10:30 a.m. at 251 N. Illinois Street, Indianapolis, Indiana. Justin Forkner presided over the meeting.

1. Members present. The following members attended the meeting:
 - Justin Forkner, chief administrative officer of Office of Judicial Administration and chairperson
 - Chris Biehn, deputy director of Indiana Office of Court Services
 - Joel Gruber, proxy for commissioner of Indiana Department of Correction
 - Bernice Corley, executive director of Indiana Public Defender Council
 - Tracy Fitz, proxy for executive director of Indiana Prosecuting Attorneys Council
 - Devon McDonald, executive director of Indiana Criminal Justice Institute
 - Don Travis, designee for director of Department of Child Services
 - Laura Berry, executive director of Indiana Coalition Against Domestic Violence

2. Members absent. The following members did not attend the meeting:
 - Steve Luce, executive director of Indiana Sheriffs' Association
 - Judge Kelsey Hanlon, president of the Indiana Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges

3. Staff present. Jenny Bauer, April Dubree, Nita Wright (video), Nataly Sevilla, Laura Hausladen, and Kelly Elliott provided staff assistance to the Council.

4. May 24, 2024, Meeting Minutes. The meeting minutes from May 23, 2024, were approved by consent of the Council members.

5. Adult and Juvenile Compact Updates.
 - a. Adult Compact. Nataly Savilla and Laura Hausladen reported the following on the Interstate Compact for Adult Offender Supervision:
 - Indiana remains above the national average regarding compliance.

- Compact staff is working to clean up duplicate “junk offender” profiles created in error by counties.
 - Compact staff is also working with stakeholders to remind them not to issue subpoenas for probation officers in other states in accordance with Rule 5.108. Counties are to use probable cause hearings if they have additional questions/concerns regarding the probationer's noncompliance/ documentation.
 - The National Commission will vote on the 2024 Rule Proposal at the Annual Business meeting in September:
 - language change from “offender” to “supervised individual” throughout the rules
 - Council approves voting in favor of the proposed rule amendment at the ABM on motion and second by Bernice Corley and Don Travis.
 - Compact staff will conduct a statewide adult compact training webinar on February 13, 2025, at 12:30 p.m. in conjunction with the IOCS Education Division.
 - Compact Staff will offer training for IOCS staff interested in learning more about the Interstate Compact for Adult Supervision and intersecting roles with other divisions. The date is to be determined.
 - The Legal Support Division is researching the issue of what to do with an Indiana supervision case when the Sending State issues an expungement order.
 - Compact staff is working with Court Technology to audit SRS to identify cases that may have been excluded from proper Interstate Compact services due to clerical errors.
- b. Juvenile Compact. Nita Wright reported the following on the Interstate Commission for Juveniles:
- Indiana remains in compliance with ICJ standards. Turnover at the county level is leading to struggles with UNITY data input and completion of steps in the system.
 - Compact staff are considering statewide training twice a year as an orientation to Unity. The training will show end users how to access and practice case submission on the training site and how to navigate UNITY with hands on experience.
 - Compact staff will conduct a statewide juvenile compact training webinar on February 12, 2025, at 12:30 p.m. in conjunction with the IOCS Education Division.

- Counties have had issues with runaways and the Form III signature requirement, so Compact Staff is assisting these counties and seeing improvement.
 - A compact staff member was nominated for a rising star award from the National Office.
6. Annual Business Meetings. Nataly Savilla reported that the 2024 ICAOS annual business meeting is September 9-11, 2024, in Scottsdale, Arizona. Nita Wright reported that the ICJ annual business meeting is scheduled for September 23-25 in Mobile, Alabama.
7. Next Meeting Date. The Interstate Compact State Council is scheduled to meet next on November 14, 2024, at 10:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jenny Bauer
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