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Council of State Governments (CSG)

The Council of State Governments (CSG) is a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization serving all elected and appointed state government officials. CSG's income is derived from five sources: annual dues paid by each state and member jurisdiction; donations from the private sector; federal grants; foundational grants; and secretariat group fees. Founded in 1933, CSG has a long history of providing state leaders with the resources to develop and implement effective public policy and programs. Owing to its regional structure and its constituency—which includes state legislators, judges, *and* executive branch officials—CSG is a unique organization. With its headquarters in Lexington, Kentucky, CSG has four regional offices, representing the West, Midwest, South, and East. The national Criminal Justice / Mental Health Consensus Project is coordinated by CSG's Eastern Regional Conference (CSG/ERC), which is the only CSG regional office with a criminal justice program.

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Association of State Correctional Administrators (ASCA)

ASCA is a membership organization comprised of the directors of state correctional agencies and the administrators of the largest jail systems in the United States. The association is dedicated to the improvement of correctional services and practices through promoting and facilitating the advancement of correctional techniques, research in correctional practices, and the development and application of correctional standards and accreditation. Formed in 1970, ASCA was formally incorporated as a New York State not-for-profit corporation in 1985.

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Bazelon Center for Mental Health Law

The Judge David Bazelon Center for Mental Health Law is a nonprofit legal advocacy organization based in Washington D.C. The Bazelon Center's advocacy is based on the principle that every individual is entitled to choice and dignity. The Center has fought successfully against institutional abuse and arbitrary confinement of individuals with mental illness, and for opening up public schools, workplaces, housing and other opportunities for community life.

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The Center for Behavioral Health, Justice, and Public Policy

The Center for Behavioral Health, Justice, and Public Policy promotes service integration for persons with mental illness and/or addictive disorders in the justice system. The center's initiatives focus on evidence-based practices and policies that divert individuals from criminal justice settings, improve their quality of care while under custody, and assure that upon discharge they have access to appropriate treatment and support services to ensure successful reentry to community settings.

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National Association of State Mental Health Program Directors (NASMHPD)

NASMHPD is an organization that advocates for the collective interests of state mental health authorities and their directors at the national level. NASMHPD analyzes trends in the delivery and financing of mental health services and identifies public mental health policy issues and best practices in the delivery of mental health services. The association apprises its members of research findings and best practices in the delivery of mental health services, fosters collaboration, provides consultation and technical assistance, and promotes effective management practices and financing mechanisms adequate to sustain the mission.

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Police Executive Research Forum (PERF)

PERF is a national membership organization of progressive police executives from the largest city, county, and state law enforcement agencies. PERF is dedicated to improving policing and advancing professionalism through research and involvement in public policy debate. Incorporated in 1977, PERF's primary sources of operating revenues are government grants and contracts and partnerships with private foundations and other organizations.

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Pretrial Services Resource Center (PSRC)

PSRC is an independent, nonprofit clearinghouse for information on pretrial issues and a technical assistance provider for pretrial practitioners, criminal justice officials, academicians, and community leaders nationwide. The center offers assistance regarding pretrial services programming and management and jail overcrowding. Since its inception in 1976, the Resource Center has helped criminal justice professionals achieve the often conflicting goals of supporting the rights of defendants, ensuring public safety, and maintaining the integrity of the criminal justice system by providing information, publications, training, and assistance on pretrial services at the federal, state, and local levels.

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