

Effective Reentry Case Planning Strategies for Practitioners:

From Pre-Release Preparation to Post-Release Supervision

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Learning Objectives

The **goal** of this webinar is to educate community corrections professionals on effective case planning strategies for the pre- and post-release stages of reentry.

By the conclusion of this webinar, participants will be able to:

- Differentiate between case planning and case management practices.
- Define the purpose of a case plan at the pre- and post-release stages of reentry.
- Identify and discuss key elements of an effective case plan during the pre-release stage of reentry.
- Identify and discuss key elements of an effective case plan during the post-release stage of reentry.



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What's the Difference?

Case Plan

A written, structured tool that directs the individual and the case manager or officer toward targeted activities and outcomes.

Case Management

The overall process by which staff follow to ensure that supervision conditions are met by supervisees in a timely manner.



So, what's the point?

- Provides clear and measurable goals
- Provides a structured format



Pre-release preparation



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When Should Pre-Release Preparation Begin?

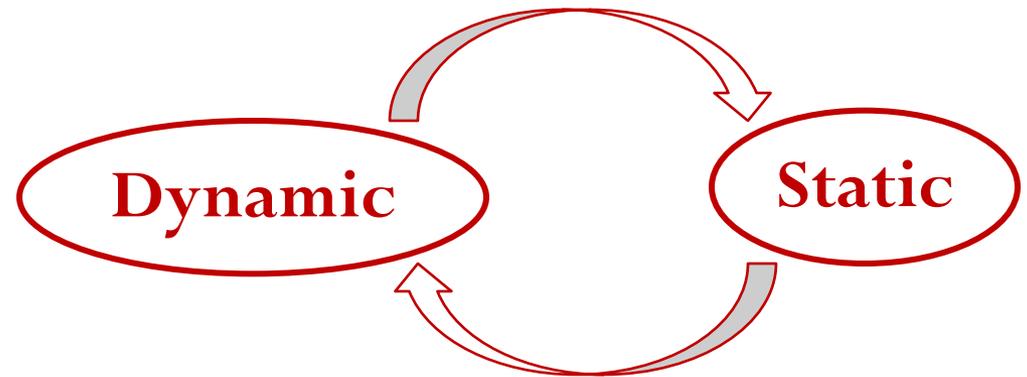
- Preparation should begin at institutional intake
- Plans should be developed at pre-release



Risk-Need Principles



- What are the risks?



- How do you minimize risks by addressing the needs?

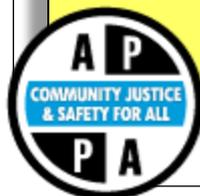
Risk-Needs Assessment

- Identify the appropriate level of supervision
- Identify needed services



Institutional Programming

- Evidence based programs
- Prioritization of enrollment
- Incentives for participation



Discharge Planning



- When?
- Who should be involved?
- What are the components?

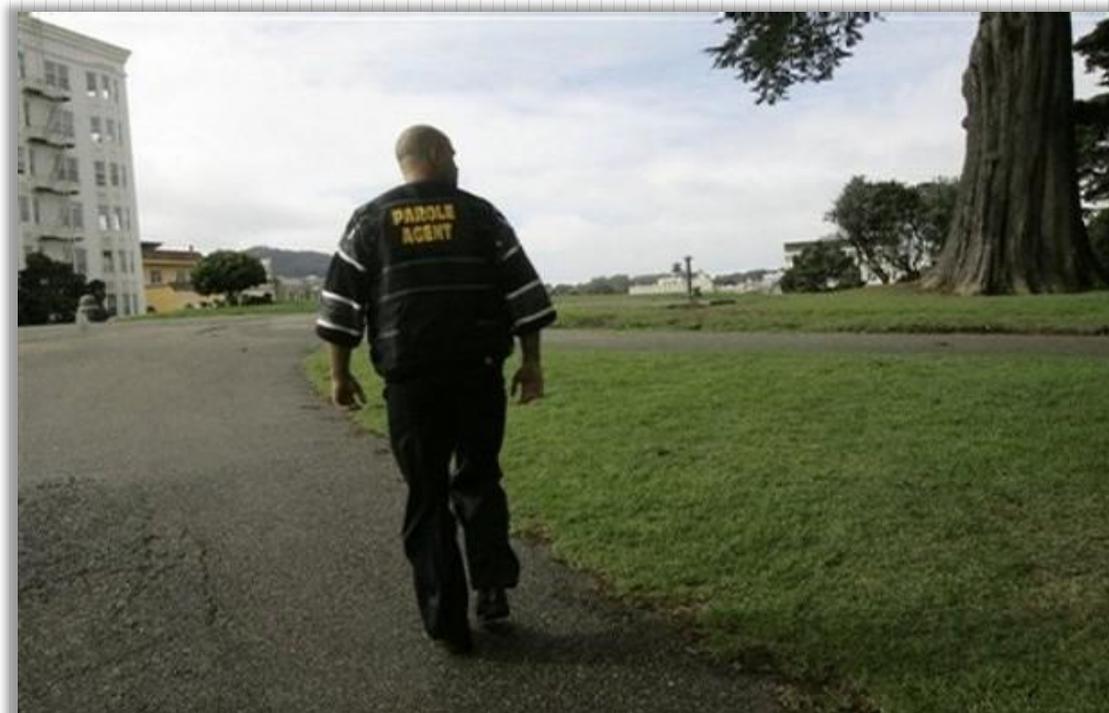


Transition

- Sensitive point in time
- Hand-off from institutional to community corrections
- Be prepared to make adjustments



Post-release supervision



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Involve the Right Partners

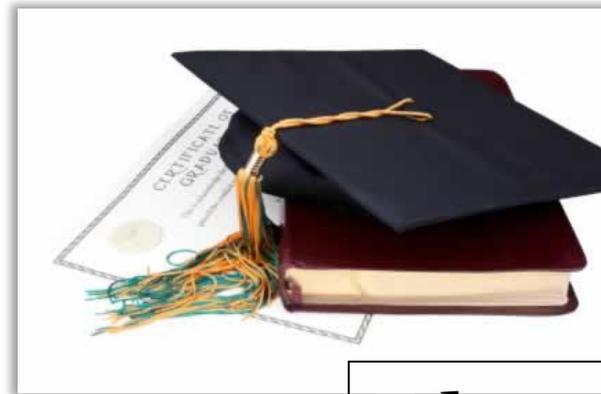


Employment



Substance Abuse Recovery

Housing



Education



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Connect with Pre-Release Planners

**In-Prison
Treatment**



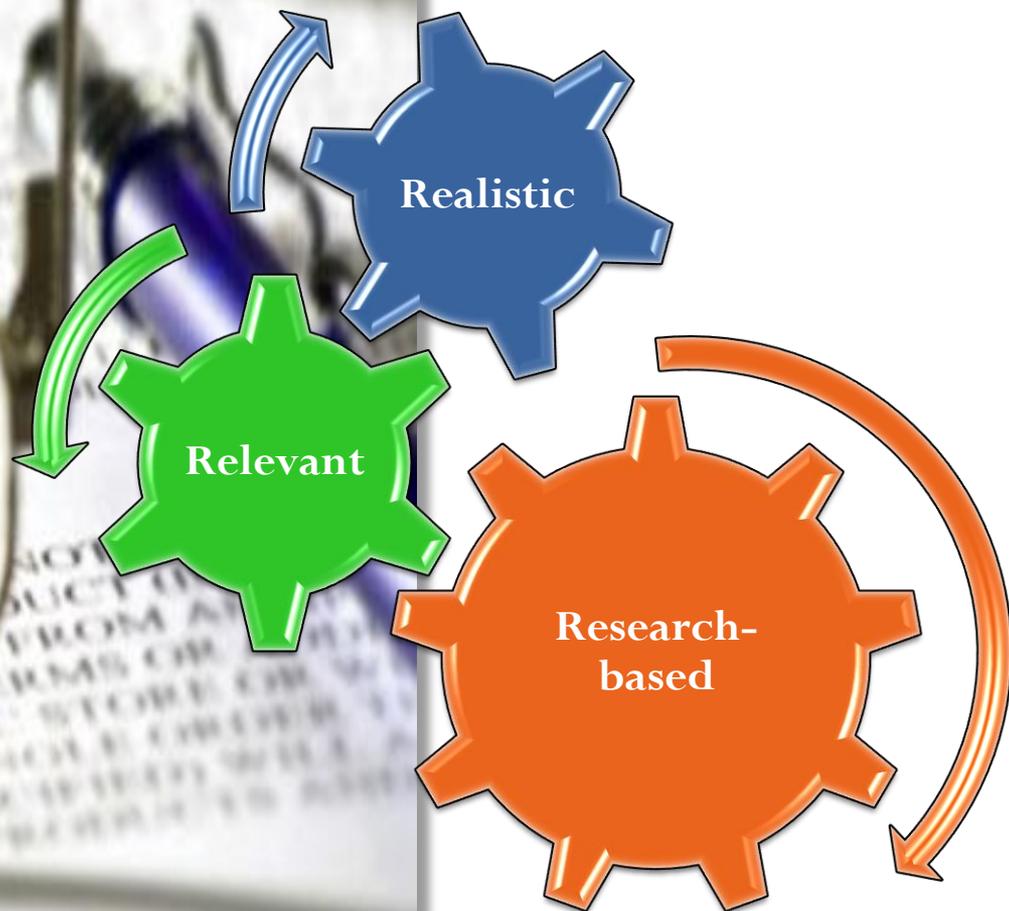
**Post-Release
Treatment**



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Impose Conditions



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One Size Does Not Fit All

- Supervision must be matched to individual needs
- Individuals can be classified according to several characteristics



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Be Both Reactive & Proactive



Foresight

**Foster an open and
honest environment**



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Balanced Approach

- Social worker vs. Law enforcer
- Challenge the ambiguities that prevent the achievement of behavioral adjustment goals
- Active listening, reason with individuals, etc.



Let's Recap

- **Pre-release preparation should begin as early as possible**
- **Risk-needs assessments are essential**
- **Comprehensive approach**
- **Balance your role as social worker and law enforcer**
- **Case plans can and will fail**



Useful Resources:

- **TPC Case Management Handbook: An Integrated Case Management Approach**
(available at: <http://nicic.gov/Library/024393>)



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Questions...

...Comments



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- The resource center is continually updating its website with materials relevant to the reentry field.
- Sign up for the monthly NRRC newsletter to receive news about upcoming distance learning and funding opportunities.

The screenshot shows the homepage of the National Reentry Resource Center. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for Home, About, Library, Topics, Training & TA, Reentry Facts, and What Works. Below the navigation bar, there is a search bar and a "Subscribe to our newsletter!" section. This section includes a "Name:" field, an "Email:" field, and a "Subscribe" button, all of which are circled in red. A red arrow points from the text in the adjacent list to this sign-up form. The main content area features a "WELCOME TO THE National Reentry Resource Center" message, a "What's New?" section with several news items, and a "Popular Topics" section with links to Housing, Substance Abuse, Juveniles, Employment, and Starting a Reentry Initiative. There are also sections for "Announcements" and "Reentry in the Media". The footer includes the logo for the Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA), and the slogan "A Force for Positive CHANGE."



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