



PERFORMANCE REPORT – SIX MONTH REVIEWS

The Indeterminate Sentence Review Board (ISRB), like all agencies of Washington State government, is using data and information to guide performance management. There are four types of performance measurements being reported on by the ISRB:

- Caseload measures
- Workload measures
- Efficiency measures
- Effectiveness or Outcome measures

Six Month Reviews are a work process done by ISRB staff. These reviews keep the ISRB current on the status of offenders being supervised in the community. Electronic file notes and conversations with Community Corrections Officers are the primary sources of information.

Six Month Reviews are keyed to Evidence-Based Community Corrections principles.

Compliance with sex offender treatment requirement, stable housing, and steady employment all correlate with doing well on supervision.

Problems with CD treatment or use were most common among offenders not doing well on supervision.

Data from Six Month Reviews contribute to a host of intermediate outcome measures. The items collected during our Six Month Reviews are very similar to ones identified as key indicators by the Pew Center on the States.¹ They are:

- Compliance with Treatment Requirements
- Housing Stability
- Employment
- Chemical Dependency Treatment or Use Status.

Over the course of the last year, ISRB staff has recorded data from 282 reviews. These reviews were done on 173 individuals on supervision. An overall assessment of how the offender was doing on supervision was made at the end of the review. We were then able to correlate the overall standing of the offender with the status of each of the four data items.

¹ Burrell, William, You Get What You Measure: Compstat for Community Corrections. Pew Public Safety Project, July 2007.

For 89 of 280 reviews, the offender was not being actively supervised at the time. The vast majority of these offenders were in Immigration and Custom Enforcement custody, had been deported, or they were supervised in another state. Others who were inactive had absconded from supervision, were confined, or no longer needed active supervision. The following tables display data for the 191 cases where we had sufficient data to make the overall assessment of the standing of offenders on supervision. Those standings were:

Well – had strong indications of stability and compliance with conditions = 76 (39.8%)
 Okay – had areas where they were less stable or fell short on compliance = 77 (40.3%)
 Marginal – were having problems in some areas, some in violation = 20 (12.5%)
 Bad - had sufficient problems that they were in violation of conditions = 18 (9.4%)

The tables below show the correlation of offenders’ standing at the time of review with performance in the four indicator areas. Keeping in mind that we were only able to collect data for the offenders on active supervision, it is clear that most of these offenders were doing well, or okay, on supervision. In addition, those offenders where the ones who we found to be compliant with treatment requirements, have stable housing, steady employment, and no obvious problems with substance use.

SEX OFFENDER TREATMENT STATUS	OFFENDER STANDING				Total
	WELL	OK	MARGINAL	BAD	
ACTIVE	36 52.9	27 39.7	5 7.4	0 0.0	68
POOR	0 0.0	2 33.3	3 50.0	1 16.7	6
PROBLEM AREA	0 0.0	2 18.2	4 36.4	5 45.5	11
COMP	7 63.6	4 36.4	0 0.0	0 0.0	11
NOT REQUIRED	27 37.0	36 49.3	6 8.2	4 5.5	73
OTHER/MISSING	6 27.3	6 27.3	2 9.1	8 36.3	22
Total	76	77	20	18	191

HOUSING STATUS	OFFENDER STANDING				Total
	WELL	OK	MARGINAL	BAD	
STABLE	70 49.7	58 41.1	9 6.4	4 2.8	141
1 MOVE WITHIN 6 MONTHS	4 33.3	7 58.3	1 8.3	0 0.0	12
2 OR MORE IN 6 MONTHS	1 16.7	4 66.7	0 0.0	1 16.7	6
PROBLEM AREA	0 0.0	5 25.0	9 45.0	6 30.0	20
OTHER/MISSING	1 8.3	3 25.1	1 8.3	7 58.3	12
Total	76	77	20	18	191

EMPLOYMENT STATUS	OFFENDER STANDING				Total
	WELL	OK	MARGINAL	BAD	
STEADY	58	30	2	2	92
	63.0	32.6	2.2	2.2	
SCHOOL	2	2	0	0	4
	50	50	0	0	
OFF/ON	6	16	6	2	30
	20.0	53.3	20.0	6.7	
PROBLEM AREA	1	10	8	8	27
	3.7	37.0	29.6	29.6	
NOT REQUIRED OR UNABLE	8	15	3	0	26
	30.7	57.7	11.6	0.0	
OTHER/MISSING	1	4	1	6	12
	8.3	33.4	8.3	50.0	
Total	76	77	20	18	191

CD TREATMENT OR USE STATUS	OFFENDER STANDING				Total
	WELL	OK	MARGINAL	BAD	
ACTIVE OR AA/NA	6	5	4	2	17
	35.3	29.4	23.5	11.8	
NEG UA	45	45	4	2	96
	46.9	46.9	4.2	2.0	
PROBLEM AREA	0	4	10	7	21
	0.0	19.0	47.6	33.4	
COMPLETED TREATMENT	8	3	0	0	11
	72.7	27.3	0.0	0.0	
NOT REQUIRED	0	5	0	0	5
	0	100	0	0	
OTHER/MISSING	17	15	2	7	41
	41.5	36.6	4.9	17.0	
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This is an encouraging first look at indicators of offender behavior on active supervision. It, however, reveals areas that need further investigation. Before we report again on Six Month Reviews, we will come up with a way of including offenders on inactive supervision into our analyses.

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