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Performance-based Measures

Both the adult and juvenile divisions of the South Dakota Department of Corrections are involved in national projects to measure performance.



The Performance-based Standards (PbS) project is a program developed by the Council of Juvenile Correctional Administrators (CJCA) for agencies and facilities to identify, monitor and improved conditions and treatment services provided to incarcerated juveniles using national standards and outcome measures.

Data is collected twice per year to measure safety, security, order, medical and mental health services, justice and legal rights, programming and reintegration planning.

STAR Academy has participated in the PbS project since 2001. Gov. Dennis Daugaard signed an executive order in 2012 requiring the state juvenile corrections programs to continue participating in the project and to report annually to the Legislature on the progress of the report.

South Dakota was the first state to have all of its reporting programs reach Level 4 status in PbS. The state has now done so an unprecedented six times. At least one of the STAR Academy programs has achieved Level 4 status since 2009.

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<http://doc.sd.gov/juvenile/pbsp.aspx>

The SDDOC initiated participation in the Association of State Correctional Administrators (ASCA) Performance-based Measures System (PBMS) in March 2006. The PBMS system develops standards that measure correctional performance, enabling review and research of performance across jurisdictions. South Dakota was one of the first states to participate in this initiative which includes standards on public and institutional safety, substance abuse, mental health, justice, fiscal and education.

In November 2014, the SDDOC reached aqua status, the next to highest level in PBMS. The state is reporting the required characteristics and more than 75-percent of key indicators that are required by PBMS. The department continues to strive for 100% of the reporting requirements.

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