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Bunkers honored by Corrections Association

Pierre, S.D. – Kristi Bunkers, Director of Juvenile Community Corrections, was recently honored by the South Dakota Corrections Association (SDCA) for her work with juvenile offenders.

Bunkers was named the Outstanding SDCA Member for 2007 at a ceremony in Rapid City on September 12th.

Doug Herrmann, Director of Juvenile Services for the South Dakota Department of Corrections nominated Bunkers for the award because she was instrumental in guiding many systematic changes in the juvenile corrections system such as implementing evidence-based practices.

“Kristi has the natural leadership characteristics that distinguish her from others as she can engage and collaborate with a variety of stakeholders while maintaining focus on improving outcomes for youth committed to our care,” said Herrmann. “Through her natural blend of leadership, she can be task driven, outcome focused, and is able motivate others to perform at a high level while maintaining a friendly, professional, and respected position among her staff , colleagues and collaborators.”

Bunkers has worked in juvenile corrections for the past ten years.

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