

SB 267 Information Sheet

Purpose

SB 267 requires crime-prevention and some mental health programs to be “evidence-based”.

Application

SB 267 requires prevention, treatment or intervention programs which are intended to reduce future criminal behavior in adults and juveniles or to reduce the need for emergency mental health services to be evidence-based.**

What is “evidence-based”?

Evidence-based programs are those programs that are based on research principles and whose costs are realized over a reasonable period of time through cost savings.

State Agencies affected by SB 267:

- ▶ Department of Corrections
- ▶ Oregon Commission on Children and Families
- ▶ Department of Human Services
- ▶ Oregon Youth Authority

Services included in SB 267:

Services that the agencies provide directly or fund through other entities, including counties or private parties.

**Not Included: Education services required by state law and basic medical services are not included in SB 267.*

Timelines: Reporting to Oregon Legislature and Compliance with SB 267

September 2004 – State agencies must report on: *

- assessment of programs funded and whether they are evidence-based
- percentage of state dollars expended on evidence-based programs
- percentage of federal dollars expended on evidence-based programs
- description of efforts in progress to comply with SB 267.

July 2005 – 25% - agencies shall spend at least 25% of state funds on evidence-based programs/services*

July 2007 – 50% - agencies shall spend at least 50% of state funds on evidence-based programs/services*

July 2009 – 75% - agencies shall spend at least 75% of state funds on evidence-based programs/services*

**Each state agency is required to report biennially to the Oregon Legislature on progress toward compliance with SB 267.*

Processes

Statewide Coordination:

- SB 267 Coordinating Committee – Members include state agencies and their stakeholders, including county government, tribes and private providers.**
- The focus of the SB 267 Coordinating Committee is to coordinate decisions by individual agencies to avoid redundant or conflicting requirements in implementing SB 267.

Individual Agency Processes:

- Each state agency will include local partners in designing the implementation process.
- Each agency will have a separate advisory group to:
 - Identify which activities are programs or services subject to SB267.
 - Identify research based practices that apply to crime prevention and mental health activities subject to SB267.
 - Assess which existing programs use research based practices and meet the state definition for evidence-based programs.

**For more information regarding SB 267 legislation and the SB 267 Coordinating Committee please go to www.ocjc.state.or.us.