Maricopa County Adult Probation: Project S.A.F.E. (Swift Accountable Fair Enforcement)
Monthly Statistics Progress Report

February 2012

Purpose: Project SAFE probation officers are turning in supplemental statistics monthly in order to isolate the SAFE cases from their caseload. The purpose of these statistics is to target procedural aspects of the program to verify fidelity to the primary principles of the original Project HOPE of Hawaii (i.e., swiftness and certainty of consequences). These measures relate only to the “targeted criteria”, that is drug and alcohol tests, use, and consequences resulting from positive tests.

Overview

- An average of 66 transferred youth per month has participated in the SAFE program (since inception in October 2010).

Drug & Alcohol Tests

- Of the drug tests ordered, 93.8% were submitted. This is a 0.3% decrease from the previous month. Drug test submission compliance has continued to be high. See Appendix A, Graph 1.

- Of the drug tests submitted (n = 150), 6.6% (n=10) resulted in a positive test. (See Appendix A, Graph 2.). Marijuana (n=6) accounted for 46.2% of the positive drug types. There was also one (1) additional drug admission in February.

- For alcohol use: Three (3) breathalyzer tests were ordered in February; all three tests were negative. There was 0 alcohol admission in February.

Process Fidelity

- The program states that every negative target behavior should result in an immediate order to appear to a SAFE hearing. In February, 100% of target behaviors resulted in an order to appear at a SAFE hearing for the ninth consecutive month. (See Appendix A, Graph 3).

- Of the probationers ordered to appear in February (n=16), 22% (n= 4) failed to appear which is a 77.8% increase from last month. This number fluctuates considerably from month to month (See Appendix A, Graph 4).

- Also, as part of the program, each negative target behavior should result in a sanction (usually a jail sanction). In February, of the 14 SAFE hearings, 71.4% (n=10) resulted in a court sanction (see Appendix A, Graph 5). This is a 25% decrease from last month. Fifty percent (50%, n=7) of the SAFE hearings resulted in a jail sanction, a 35.3% decrease from January.
APPENDIX A

Graph 1: Percent of drug tests submitted that were ordered.

Graph 2: Percent of drug tests submitted that had at least one positive result.
Graph 3: Percent of negative target actions resulting in an order to appear to a SAFE hearing.

Graph 4: Percent of probationers who failed to appear to their SAFE hearing.
Graph 5: Percent of SAFE appearances that result in a Court sanction.