

Meeting The Challenge of Methamphetamine Use in Nevada's Juvenile Justice Population

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Drug-Related Referrals to Juvenile Services

4942



Youth Screening Positive for Substance Abuse Scale on the MAYSI Instrument

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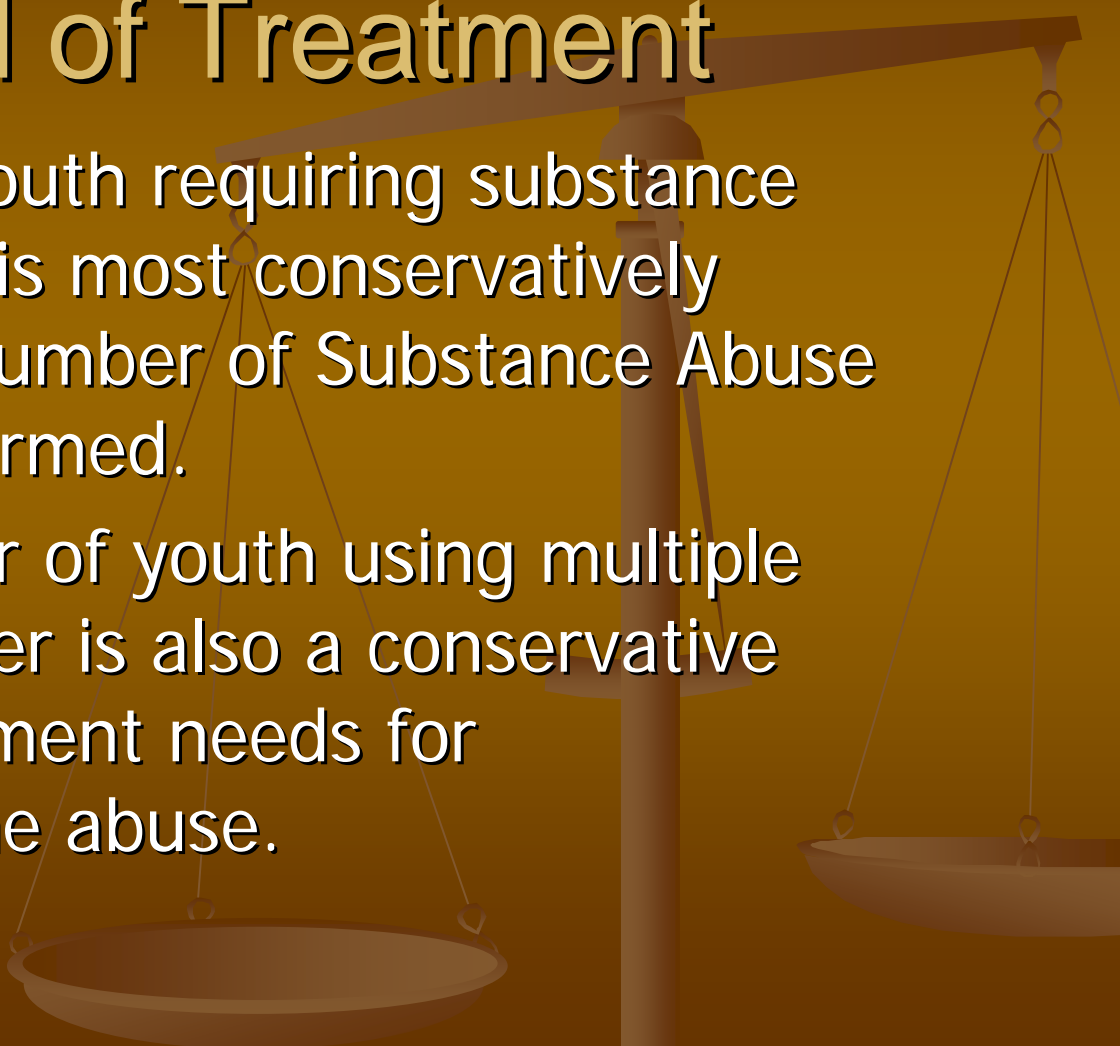


Number of Substance Abuse Evaluations for Juvenile Justice Involved Youth

2500



Projecting the Number of Juvenile Justice Involved Youth in Need of Treatment



- The number of youth requiring substance abuse treatment is most conservatively reflected in the number of Substance Abuse Evaluations performed.
- Given the number of youth using multiple drugs, this number is also a conservative estimate of treatment needs for Methamphetamine abuse.

The Number of Youth Projected to Need Methamphetamine Related Prevention Efforts or Treatment



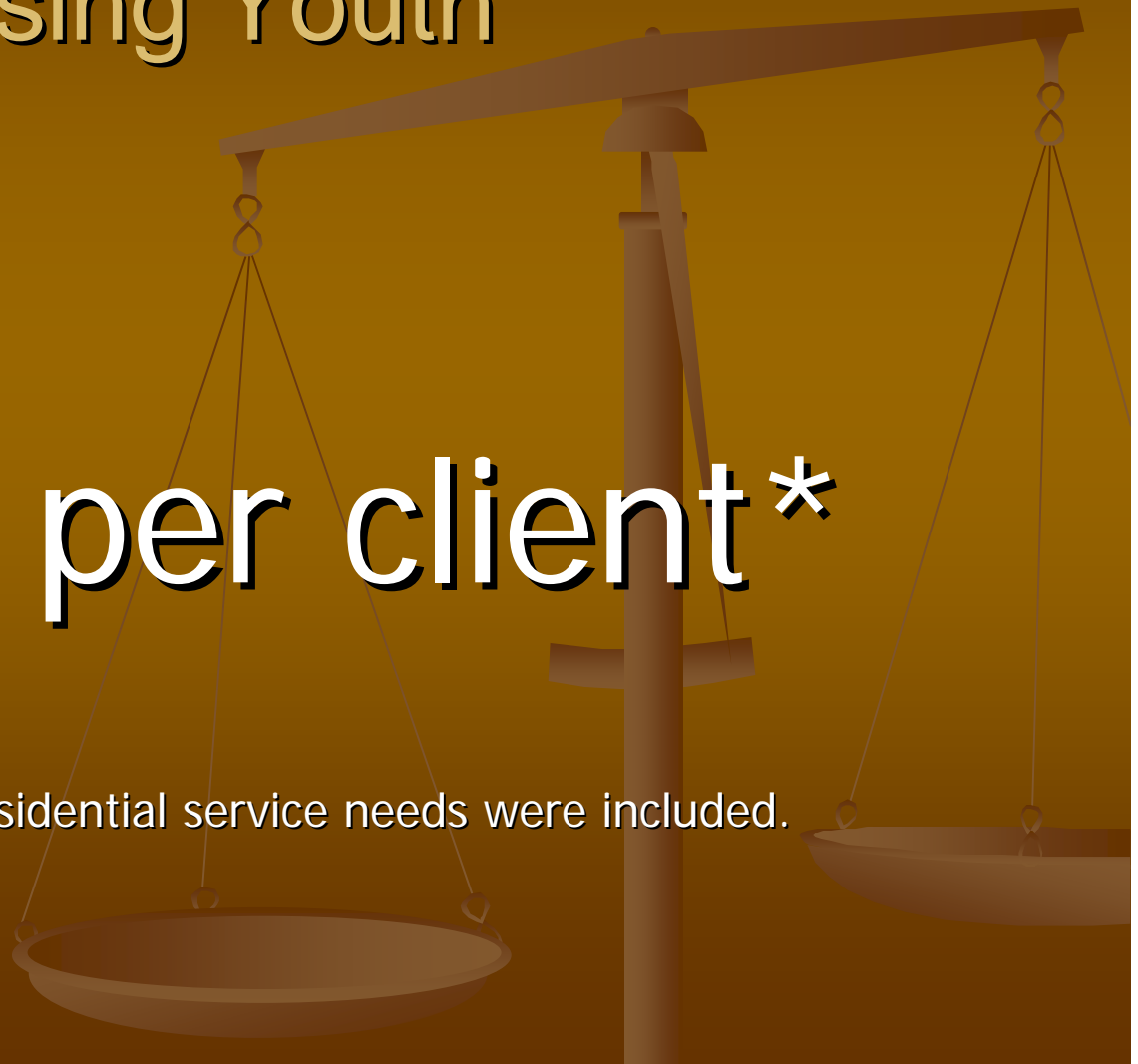
2500

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Estimated Cost of Outpatient Treatment for Methamphetamine Abusing Youth

\$2700 per client*

*Estimate would be higher if residential service needs were included.

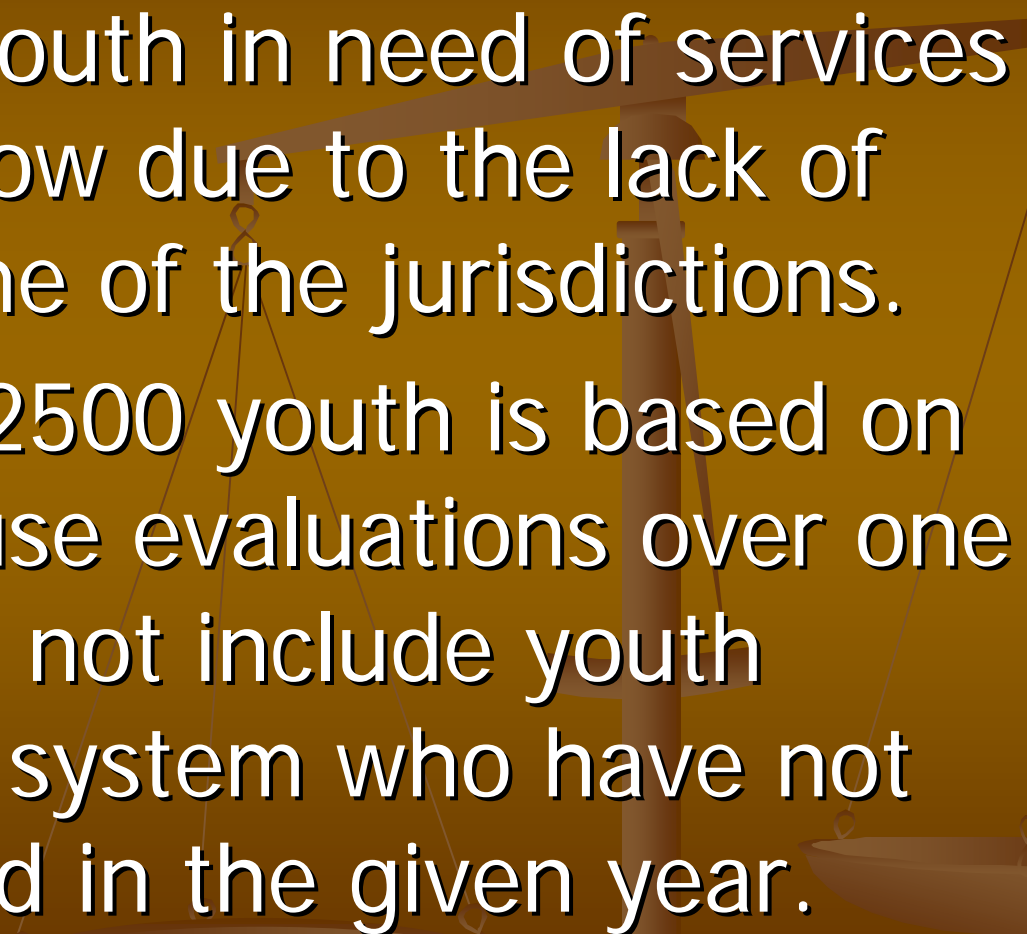




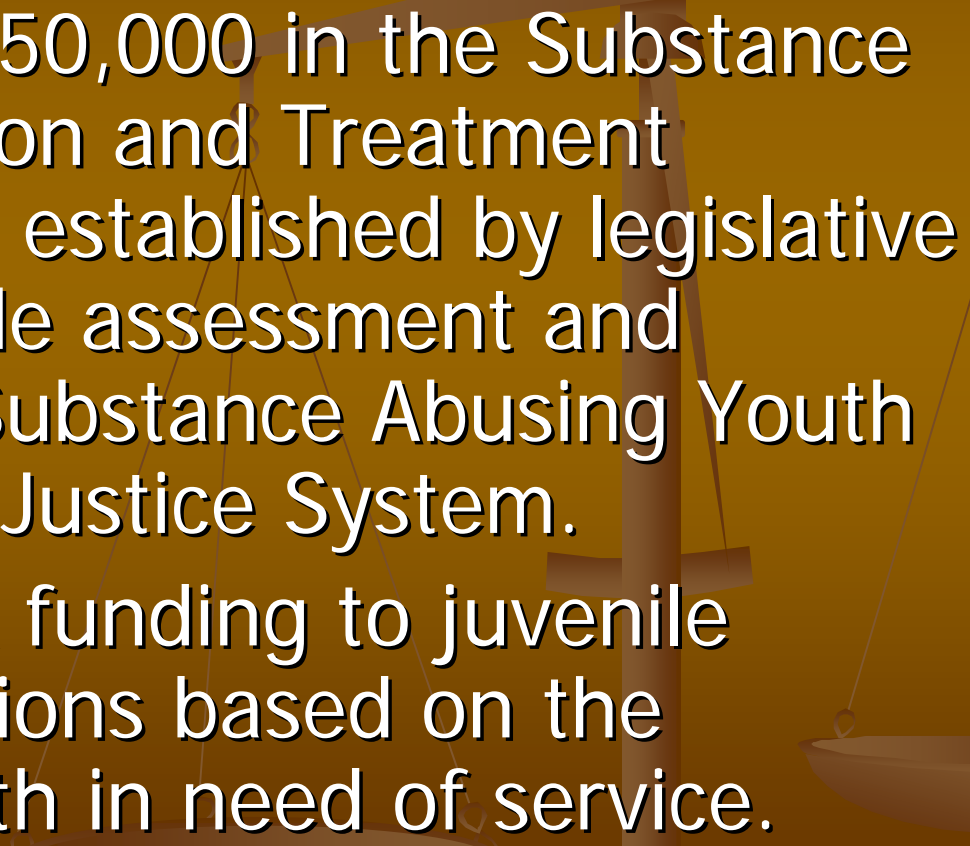
The Yearly Cost of Treating Nevada's Youth

\$6,750,000

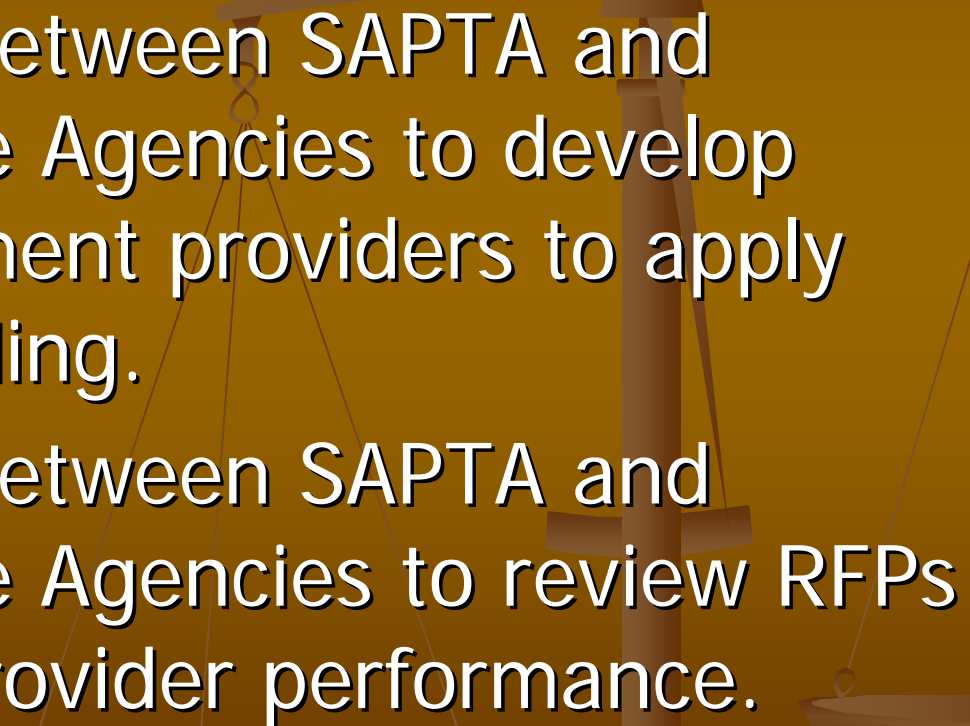
Why the Preceding Figures are Conservative

- Estimates of youth in need of services is potentially low due to the lack of data from some of the jurisdictions.
 - The figure of 2500 youth is based on substance abuse evaluations over one year and does not include youth already in the system who have not been evaluated in the given year.
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Strategies for Funding Methamphetamine Abuse Treatment for Juvenile Justice Youth

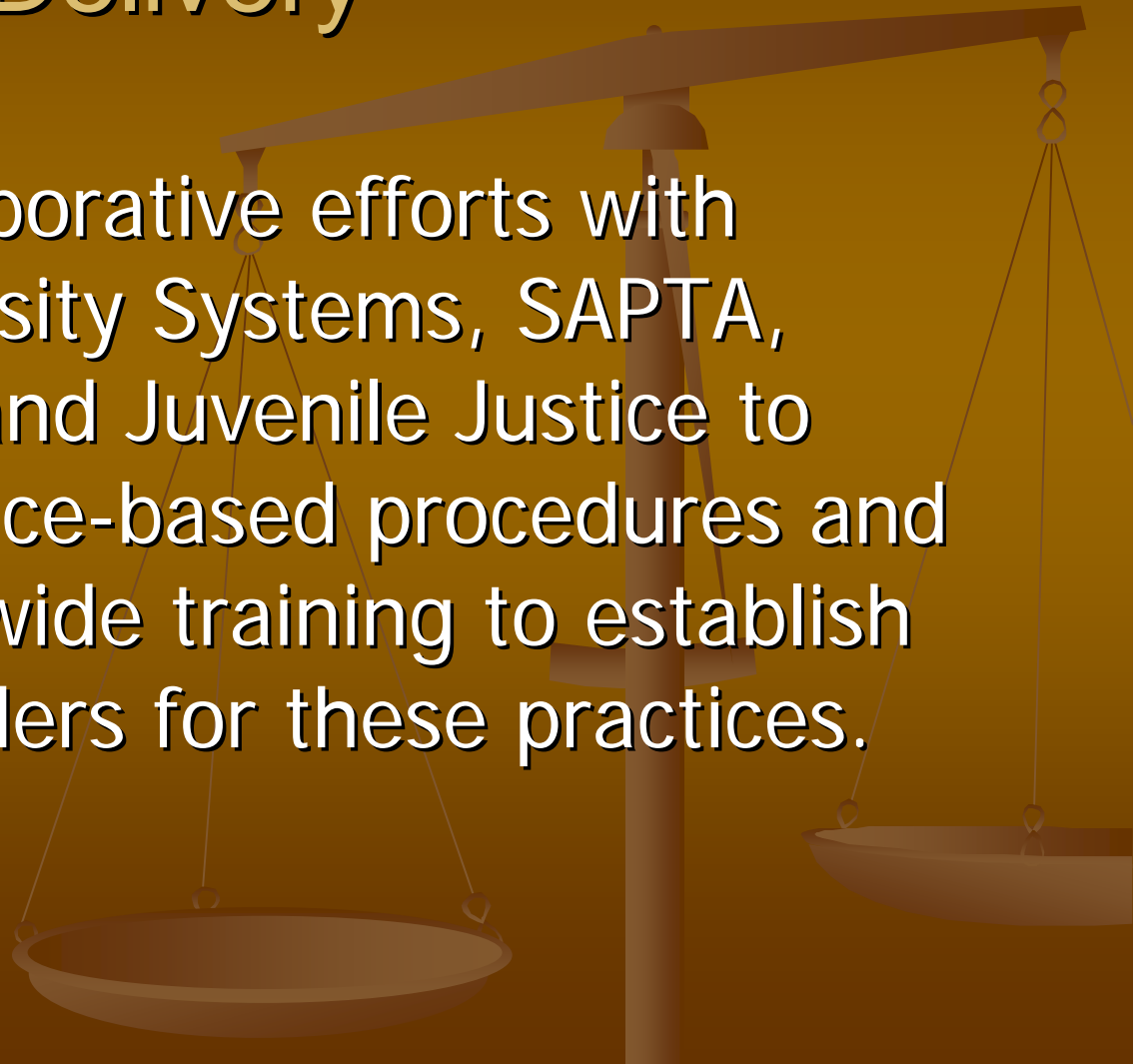
- Designate \$6,750,000 in the Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Agency Budget established by legislative intent to provide assessment and treatment for Substance Abusing Youth in the Juvenile Justice System.
 - Allocate SAPTA funding to juvenile justice jurisdictions based on the number of youth in need of service.
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Collaborative Efforts to Ensure Effective and Responsible Service Delivery

- Collaboration between SAPTA and Juvenile Justice Agencies to develop RFPs for treatment providers to apply for SAPTA funding.
 - Collaboration between SAPTA and Juvenile Justice Agencies to review RFPs and ongoing provider performance.
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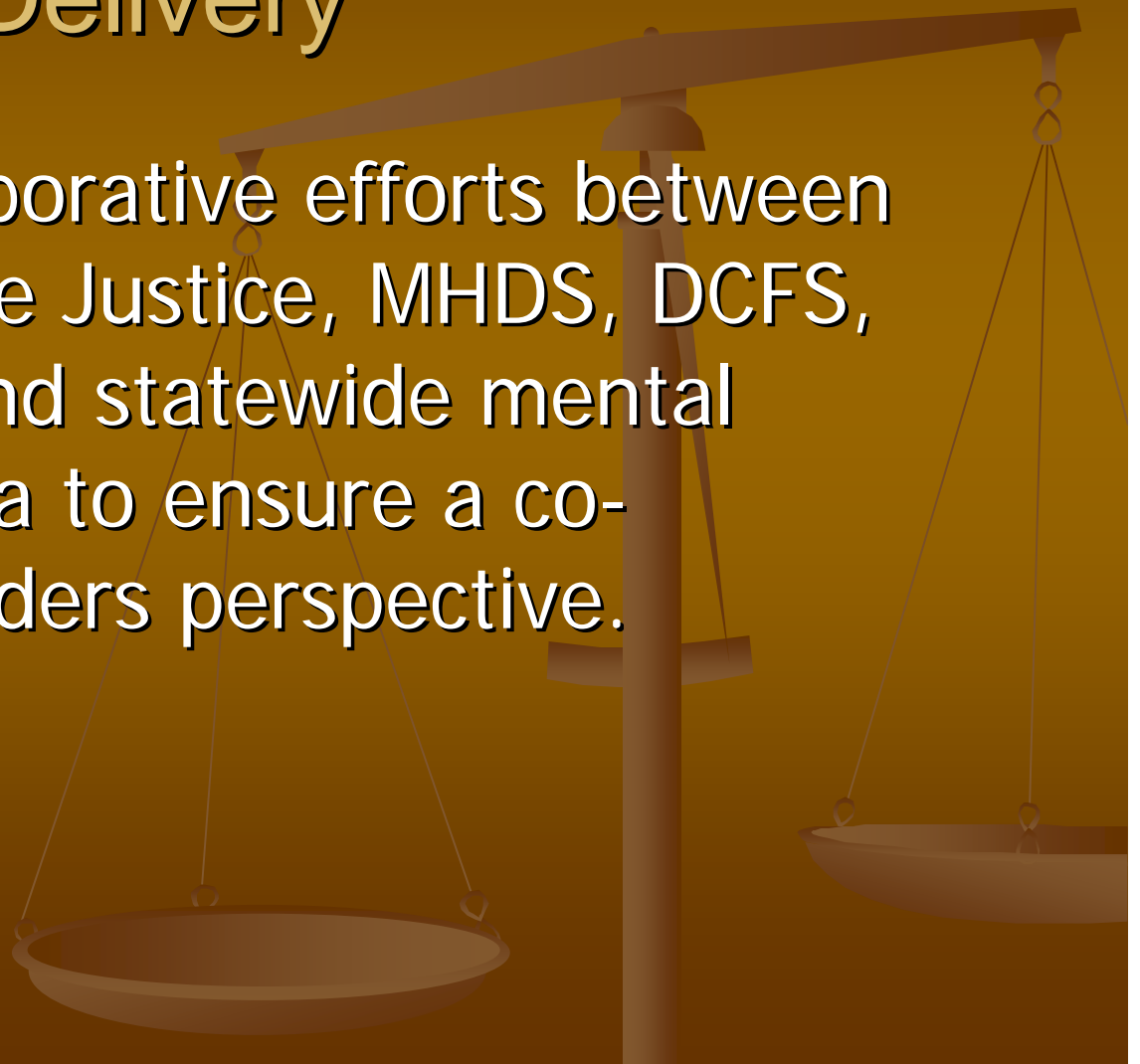
Collaborative Efforts to Ensure Effective and Responsible Service Delivery

- Establish collaborative efforts with CASAT, University Systems, SAPTA, MHDS, DCFS and Juvenile Justice to identify evidence-based procedures and to enact statewide training to establish certified providers for these practices.



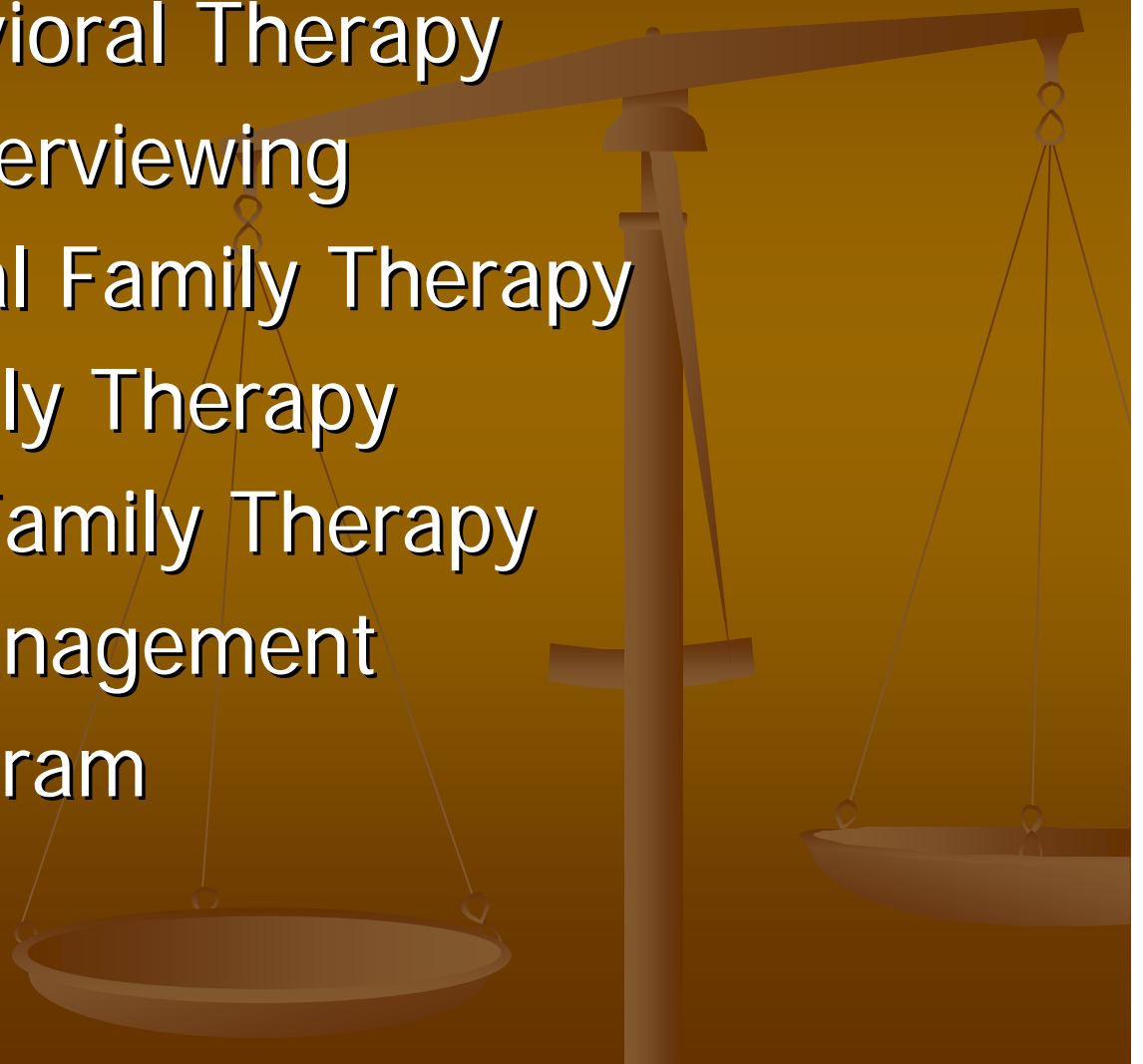
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- Establish Collaborative efforts between SAPTA, Juvenile Justice, MHDS, DCFS, and regional and statewide mental health consortia to ensure a co-occurring disorders perspective.



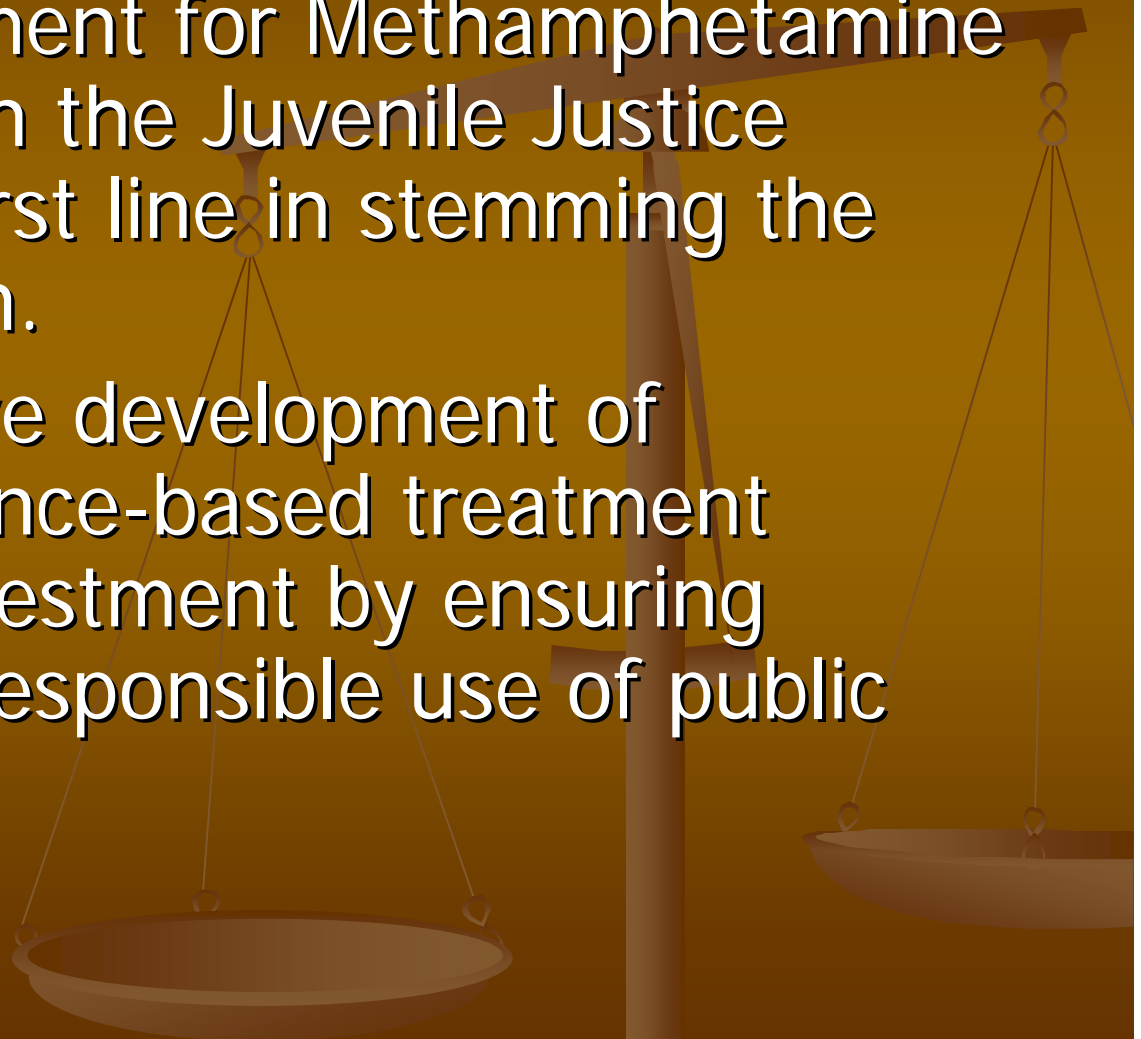
Evidence-Based Treatments

- Cognitive Behavioral Therapy
- Motivational Interviewing
- Multidimensional Family Therapy
- Behavioral Family Therapy
- Brief Strategic Family Therapy
- Contingency Management
- The Matrix Program



In Closing

- Providing treatment for Methamphetamine abusing youth in the Juvenile Justice System is the first line in stemming the tide of Addiction.
- The collaborative development of statewide evidence-based treatment protects our investment by ensuring outcomes and responsible use of public funds.





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A Small Price to Pay for Nevada's
Youth

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