



# VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE

Protecting the public by preparing court-involved youth to be successful citizens

## STAKEHOLDERS UPDATE

Governor Terry McAuliffe and I recently announced the awarding of contracts to two service coordinators, AMIKids® and Evidence Based Associates®, to assist DJJ with building a statewide continuum of services for youth and families involved in the juvenile justice system. This is a major milestone in DJJ's transformation efforts as the statewide continuum of evidence-based treatment services and community-based alternatives to placement in juvenile correctional centers (JCCs) will significantly broaden the array of services aimed at addressing critical needs throughout the Commonwealth. AMIKids® will serve as the Regional Service Coordinator in DJJ's Eastern and Southern regions. Evidence Based Associates will serve as Regional Service Coordinator in the Western, Central, and Northern regions.

Please join us at an upcoming forum planned in your region to meet representatives of the Service Coordinator Agencies and provide valuable input on the types of services needed in your particular region. There will be additional opportunities to share information and collaborate with DJJ and the Regional Service Coordinators on this venture. However, the goal is to have the initial array of services available on January 1, 2017, and your immediate thoughts would be very much appreciated and helpful in meeting this planned timeline.

Upcoming forums:

**Thursday, Dec. 1** – Central Evidence Based Associates, 3-4:30 p.m., 25th Court Service Unit/District Court Bldg., 6 East Johnson St. 3rd floor, Staunton

**Thursday, Dec. 1** – AMIKids, 1:30-3 p.m., Workforce Development Center, 157 N. Main St, Room C, 2nd floor, Suffolk

**Friday, Dec. 2** – Evidence Based Associates, 10 a.m.-noon, Roanoke City Police Academy, 5401 Barns Avenue, Roanoke

**Wednesday, Dec. 7** – Evidence Based Associates, 1:30-3 p.m., Dept. of Environmental Quality, Southwest Regional Office, Training Room, 355A Deadmore Street, Abingdon

**Wednesday, Dec. 7** – AMIKids, 1:30-3 p.m., Southside Virginia Community College, Alberta, VA (tentative)

– *Andy Block, Director*  
*Virginia Department of Juvenile Justice*