VPI and YWD-HR Grantee Discussion Guide

Youth Survey

- Overview of survey (from template)
- See how many grantees attended the training? How many are using the pre-survey? Has anyone given a follow-up survey? How did you give the follow-up survey?
- How are other programs preparing to give the follow-up survey?
- Review implementation guidelines around follow-up. Questions?
- Mention the possibility of revising the youth survey based on data/feedback.
  - Are there questions that you would like to see changed?
  - Do you like the format? Can we change the format to make it more youth friendly?
  - Any suggestions?
  - We have heard some feedback that post-survey and follow-up survey is confusing. Can we revise to call all surveys that happen after intake "follow-up?"

Program Year-End Report

- We are going to begin giving program level reports to VPI and YWD-HR grantees next year- covering calendar year 2012.
- We would like to design this report with grantees' needs in mind.
  - We expect that program reports would include data from the CMS, the Youth Survey, and any matched data (CMS and JJIS or CMS and SFUSD).
  - For example, we can tell you how many youth were in your program, how many of those youth were in the JJIS, and compare demographics of those groups.
  - We can also provide some information on youth risk factors from the youth survey.
  - Since we will not report any data with less than 10 participants, we may not be able to report follow-up survey data for the survey unless we get much more matched pre/follow-up surveys.
- Would you like your report to be at the agency level or broken down by the program level?
- What would you like to see in addition to your data? (We could show your demographics compared to the Initiative, for example.)
- If your agency already gets any year end summaries, how do you use them? Would you show it to a board? Use for funding?
- Would you want graphs?
- Would you want us to highlight key findings?

- What is more important: having a short summary (1 page) or something more comprehensive (5 pages with graphs/key findings/etc.)?

Outcomes and Risk Factors

- Please refer to your handout on outcomes. As you can see, the outcomes are color-coded based on data source. We currently have CMS data, JJIS data, and some Youth Survey data. We are in the process of getting SFUSD data. In the cases of data like JJIS, we link that data with the CMS.
- We are not evaluating individual programs, but it is important to know as much as we can about risk factors and how youth are served.
- Each year we look at data like arrest rates. Imagine we noticed that your program seemed to be worse than other programs in terms of arrest rates. What types of information would we need to know about the kids your program serves that helps explain why the data look this way?
    - How do you identify risk factors in your program?
    - How can we identify risk factors in your program, with the understanding that we do not get to meet this youth? What should we know? Where can we find this information?