



STATE OF WASHINGTON
SEX OFFENDER POLICY BOARD

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SB 5163 Workgroup Kick-off Meeting

August 12, 2021

2:30 pm – 4:00 pm

Please read:

1. SOTPs Listed with WA Department of Health (DOH)
2. Juvenile SOTP Survey Results from Juvenile Sex Offender Treatment Subcommittee

2:30 – 2:40	Call to Order and Introductions	Megan Schoor
2:40 – 2:45	Meeting Objectives	Joshua Choate
2:45 – 2:50	Approval of July 29, 2021 Meeting Minutes	Shoshana Kehoe-Ehlers
2:50 – 3:20	Current SOTP Caseload in Washington <ul style="list-style-type: none">• What are the caseload statistics for SOTPs in Washington who serve juvenile sex offenders?• What is the current breakdown of SOTPs by certification/license type? What client groups and counties are served by SOTPs?• What results from the Treatment Subcommittee's SOTP Survey resonate with you, given this workgroup's assignment?	Jonathan Sherry and Megan Schoor
3:20 – 3:25	BREAK	
3:25 – 3:45	Outline Workgroup Information Needs/Resources <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Access to care• Provider incentives, trainings, and contractual requirements• Basis for SOTP wages• Discussion questions:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ What immediate resources can be shared with the workgroup?○ What other resources do we want to leverage or review at future meetings?	All participants
3:45 – 4:00	For the Good of the Order and Next Steps <ul style="list-style-type: none">• What questions did not get answers?• Who is on point for next steps?	Megan Schoor

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- Upcoming SB 5163 Workgroup Meetings:
 - August 26th from 1 pm – 2:30 pm
 - September 9th from 1 pm – 3 pm
 - September 23rd from 1 pm – 2:30 pm (HOLD)
 - Other dates?
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4:00

Adjournment

Shoshana
Kehoe-Ehlers

SB 5163 Workgroup Assignment:

NEW SECTION. Sec. 13. A new section is added to chapter 71.09 RCW to read as follows:

(1) Subject to the availability of amounts appropriated for this specific purpose, the department, the sex offender policy board, and department of health shall convene a work group to develop recommendations to increase the availability and quality of sex offender treatment providers to meet the growing number of persons qualifying for conditional release to a less restrictive alternative. The work group shall gather data on...

1. best practices in other states and make recommendations whether sex offender treatment providers should be required to contract with the department;
2. whether annual or biannual trainings by the department should be mandatory for prospective and existing sex offender treatment providers;
3. whether the department should provide competitive wages for services or pay that is commensurate with the years of experience or education level of the treatment provider; and
4. whether the department should provide other incentives such as a cost-of-living pay increase or compensating providers for the cost of mandated trainings associated with the sex offender treatment provider license under chapter 18.155 RCW.

A report shall be submitted to the legislature by **December 1, 2021.**

[Subcommittee of the SOPB in partnership with DOH and the Special Commitment Center]