

# Environmental Scan of Developmentally Appropriate Criminal Justice Responses to Justice-Involved Young Adults: What we learned and next steps

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# Overview

- Background
- Environmental Scan: What We Learned
- Policy Implications
- Next Steps
- Q & A

# Background

- Young adults disproportionately incarcerated
- Emerging developmental science research
- Study group: From Juvenile Delinquency to Adult Crime
- DOJ Panel: Developmentally Appropriate Responses to Justice Involved Young Adults

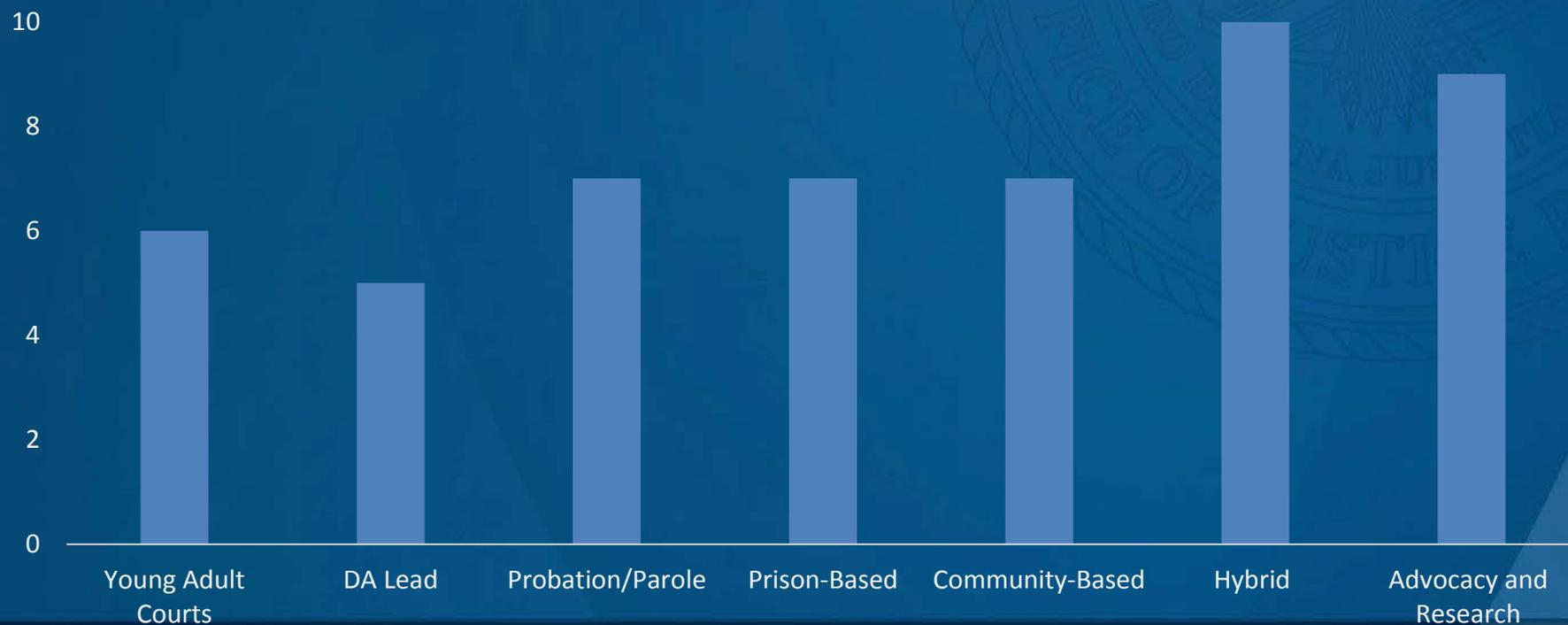
# Identifying Programs and Legislation

- Web searches
- Social media monitoring
- Outreach to advocacy groups
- Loyola University Center for Criminal Justice Research Conference
- Listservs-letter from Karol Mason



# What We Learned: Programs

- 51 programs identified
- Programs are diverse and jurisdiction specific



# What We Learned: Programs

- Common trends
  - Innovations and pilot projects
  - Program structure and services
  - Managing life challenges



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# What We Learned: Programs

- Science is making a difference!

“Most persons interviewed mentioned an increased understanding of the science regarding the development of the brain into young adulthood as playing a role in pursuing enhanced programming.”



# What We Learned: Legislation

- JI-YA Specific: 7 passed 1 pending
  - Jurisdiction boundaries
  - Mitigating circumstances
  - Expungement of records
- “Ban the Box”



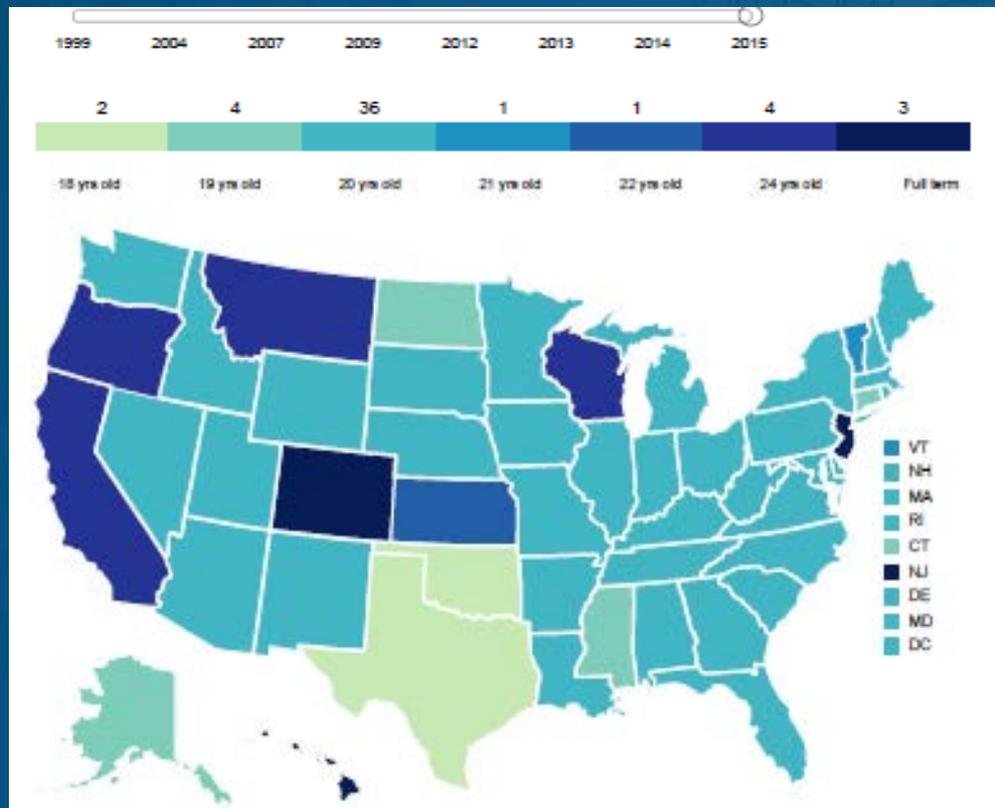
# What We Learned: Legislation

- Areas in jurisdictional boundaries that are important for young adults
  - Delinquency age boundaries
  - Transfer discretion, provisions, and policies



# Delinquency Age Boundaries

## Extended age boundaries by state



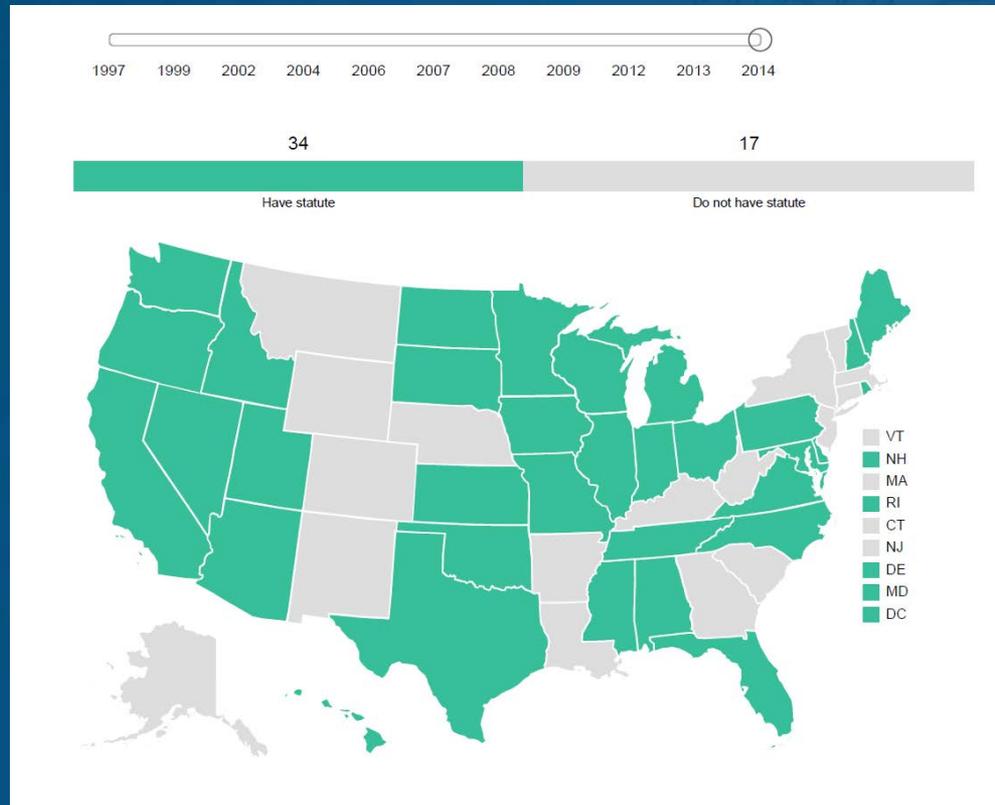
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# Transfer Discretion, Provisions, and Policies

## “Once an adult always an adult” Statutes



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# Policy Implications



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# Next Steps

- Convene a roundtable of experts
  - Identify research needs and gaps
- Identify program candidates for full-scale evaluations



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# Q&A



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