

**The Department for Children, Youth and Families  
Justification for Authorization of an Interdepartmental  
Agreement with the Albany County Department of Probation  
in regards to the Impact of Supervision and Treatment  
Services for Juvenile Program (STSJP)**

The Department for Children, Youth and Families (DCYF) respectfully requests Legislative authorization to enter into an Interdepartmental Agreement with the Albany County Probation Department in order to share confidential case data, in regards to Juvenile Justice Programs.

Albany County has entered into an separate agreement with The Research Foundation for The State University of New York, to assess all juvenile justice programs and initiatives to ensure the best outcomes for the youth and their families, with focus on those youth who fall under the Raise the Age Legislation; and

Probation is required to maintain case records for all juveniles who are the subjects of Juvenile Delinquency (JD) and/or Persons in Need of Supervision (PINS) Proceedings, including all youth who may be at risk of or have been temporarily placed in juvenile detention.

DCYF access to the information contained in the records of Probation will be necessary to facilitate the goals of the STSJP project.

There has been a historical relationship between these two County Departments as it relates to the provision of prevention services and supervision and treatment services for juveniles, in an effort to reduce the likelihood of the youth's further penetration in the Juvenile Justice system.

The term of the contract will be January 1, 2021 – December 31, 2021 with no cost to either Department or the County.