

Crossover Youth Project Model  
Summary of CYPM implementation accomplishments  
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The Georgetown Crossover Youth Project Model (CYPM) was implemented in Broward, Duval, Dade, Polk and Volusia Counties beginning in 2010. The OCW has received the following summarized updates from across the state.

- Identified key players and their engagement in existing meetings.
- Conducted interagency trainings to explain the CYPM systems to all DJJ Probation, DCF Family Safety and CPC Case Management staff.
- Trained employees of all agencies on the roles of other agencies and the purpose of shared documents.
- Held more frequent and focused group home provider meetings; as a result, intake processes are now more comprehensive, taking into consideration DJJ involvement and probation requirements.
- Implemented a comprehensive approach to case planning through sharing assessments and including both delinquency and dependency goals in each system's plan of care, as well as through joint attendance and recommendations at dependency and delinquency court proceedings.
- Held a Group Home Summit to train group home, DJJ, CPC and Independent Living Staff. Training Topics included: CYPM, Missing Children, Permanency Round Tables, and Effective Techniques for working with Teens in Group Care.
- Implemented joint assessment of crossover youth.
- Empowered families and caregivers to engage in the process and advocate for their children.
- Planned for permanency for crossover youth, including the circuit's unique challenges around out of area crossover youth placed in Volusia County.
- Continued engagement of community partners.
- More than one-half of CYPM youth had cases open in both systems.
- The majority of CYPM youth received some type of service within the follow-up time period (mental health treatment, substance abuse treatment, and/or behavioral/social intervention).
- CYPM youth were more likely to live in non-relative care, a residential treatment or hospital, or a shelter at post-test, and less likely to live at home or in congregate care.
- CYPM youth were more likely to have reunification, permanent planned living arrangement, and guardianship as permanency goals at post-test, and less likely to have remained at home as a goal at post-test.
- There was an increase in the percentage of CYPM youth involved in extracurricular activities and in structured programming.
- The percentage of CYPM youth attending school increased from arrest to program conclusion.
- Two-fifths of CYPM Individual Youth did not have a mental health problem at program conclusion.
- One-half of CYPM Individual Youth did not have a substance abuse problem at program conclusion.
- More than one-third of CYPM Youth had a new arrest at 6 months after they were identified as a dually-involved youth, and very few had a new filed petition.
- Through Juvenile Diversion Expunction Workshops conducted by the Broward Diversion Coalition, Broward has become the county with the highest number of juvenile diversion expunctions in the entire State of Florida. Workshop attendance averages 83 youth, plus accompanying parents.

Taken together, the findings presented in this summary show positive trends related to the Crossover Youth Practice Model. Future goals include; continued interagency trainings, applying the CYPM across all counties of the circuit, ensuring quality staffing procedures are in place, including the CYPM process in all agencies' pre-service training, implementing quality assurance procedures to the Crossover Youth process, including case reviews to continue to assess the success of this project.