



Addressing Racial Disparities and Improving Equity in California's Adult Collaborative Programs

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Introduction

-  Report focus
-  Four priority areas
-  Council recommendations

Senate Bill 910:

Health and Safety Code Section 11972(a)(11)



It is the intent of the Legislature that key components of the criminal adult treatment court programs include:

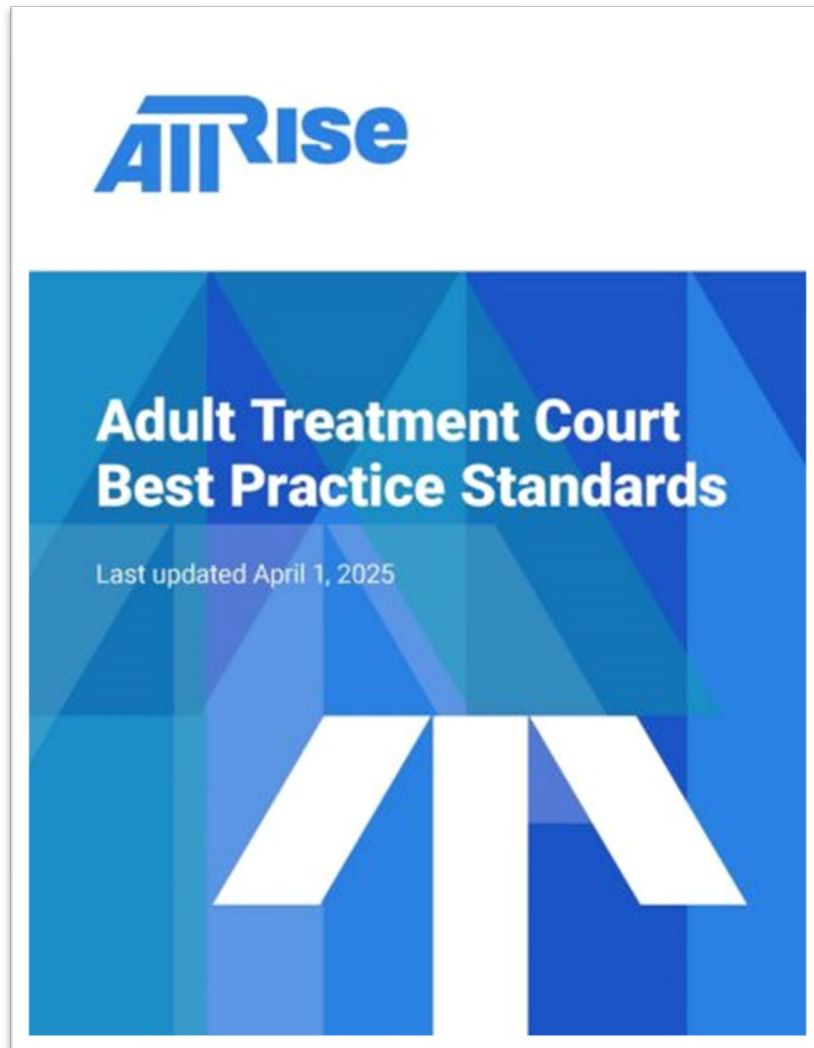
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Working to ensure equitable access, services, and outcomes for all sociodemographic and sociocultural groups.



All Rise: Best Practice Standards

(founded as the National Association of Drug Court Professionals)



Best practices

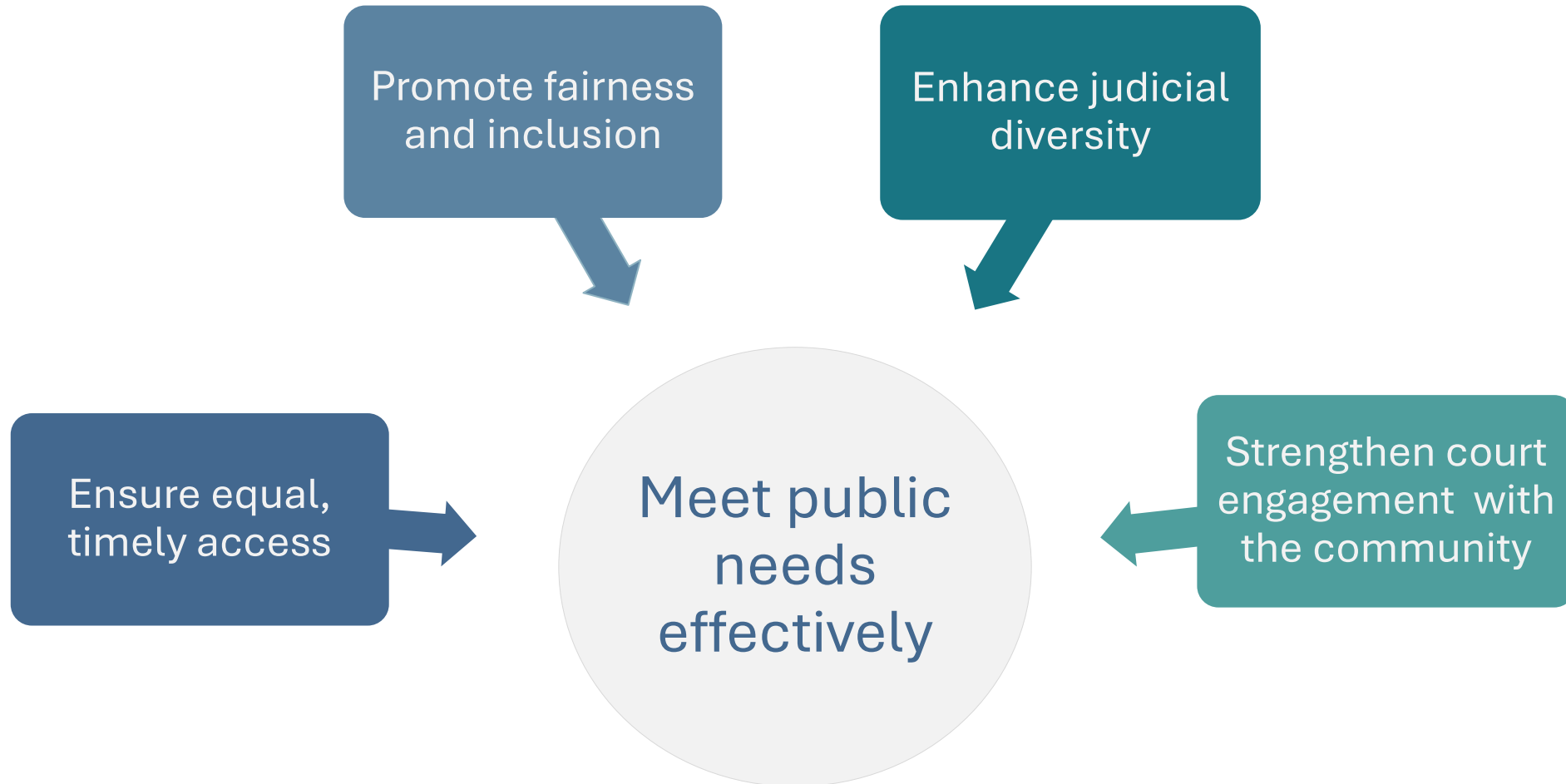
- Evidence-based approaches
- Steps for courts to take



Person-centered

- Improved justice outcomes
- Reduce barriers to treatment

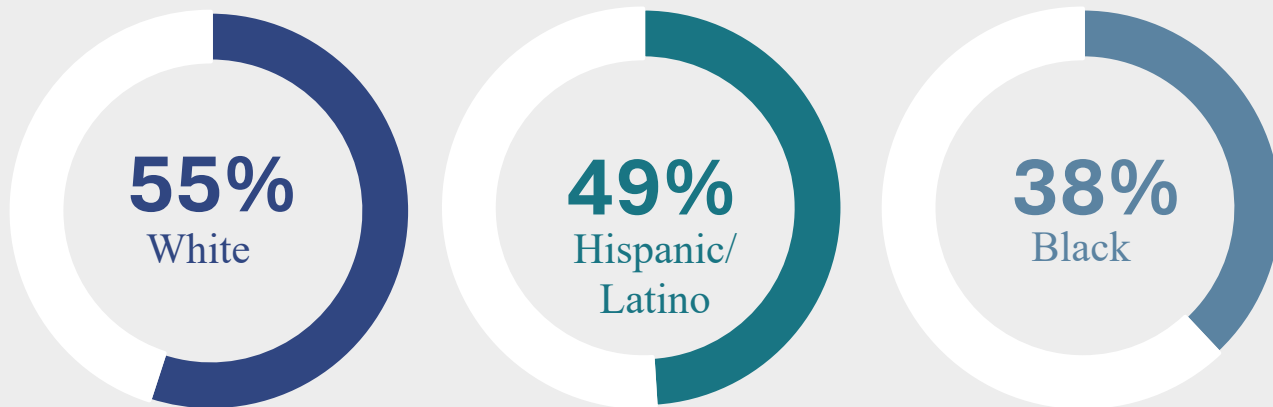
Aligning with Judicial Branch Strategic Plan



Priority 1: Support Data Collection

National snapshot:

A study of 142 adult collaborative courts illustrated disparities among program completion rates



Opportunities to support CA programs:

Case management system

- ☐ Track key performance data
- ☐ Analyze & evaluate performance

Data-driven decision-making

- ☐ Identify areas of improvement
- ☐ Measure progress
- ☐ Improve outcomes for all

Priority 2: Equity Assessment Tool



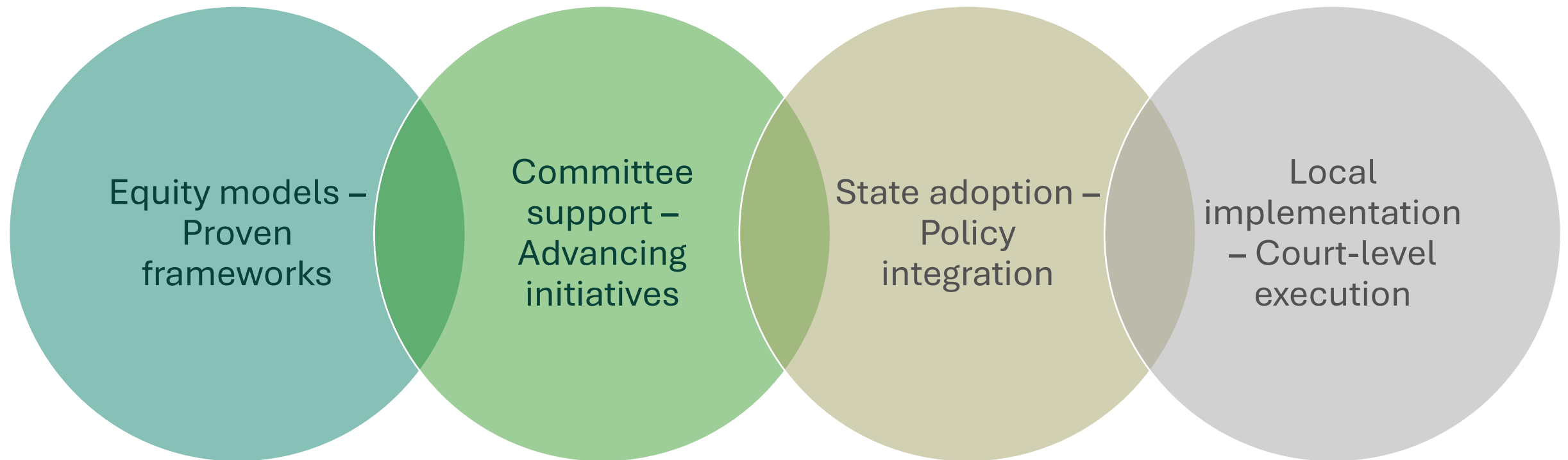
Available assessment tool

Measures use of best practices

Recommends improvements

Tested nationally by courts

Priority 3: Apply Best Practices



Priority 4: Community Engagement



Encourage engagement with justice partners representative of the community:

- Review existing policies
- Propose guidance to support programs


Committee Recommendations



Advance Priority 2

Direct Committee to:

- ➔ Encourage use of the available assessment tool
- ➔ Explore training and technical assistance opportunities

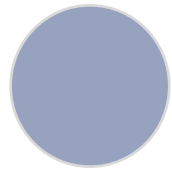


Advance Priority 4

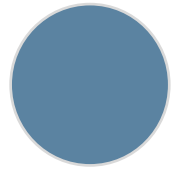
Direct Committee to:

- ➔ Examine legal authorities: laws, administrative policies
- ➔ If needed, consider future amendment proposal

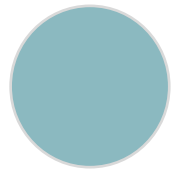
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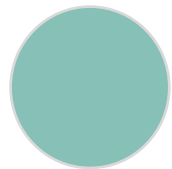
Next steps & ongoing



Council collaboration



Equity commitment



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