



Jail Population Reduction Working Group Meeting #3

January 12, 2018

Justice Implementation Task Force

Agenda

1. **Updates from MOCJ**
 - A. **News**
 - B. **Status of strategies**
2. Recap: risk assessment and open questions
3. Overview of Diversion and Reentry Council's work
4. Focus for our work moving forward
5. Closing and next steps

Progress towards closing Rikers

- New York City's jail population is *under 9,000* for the first time in 35 years.
- New York City announced that, due to the reductions in the number of people in jail, it is able to close a facility on Rikers Island.
 - o GMDC will be closed by summer 2018.
- New York City announced its plans to transfer adolescents off of Rikers Island.
 - o The City has proposed to use Crossroads, Horizon, and OCFS Facility Ella McQueen for intake.

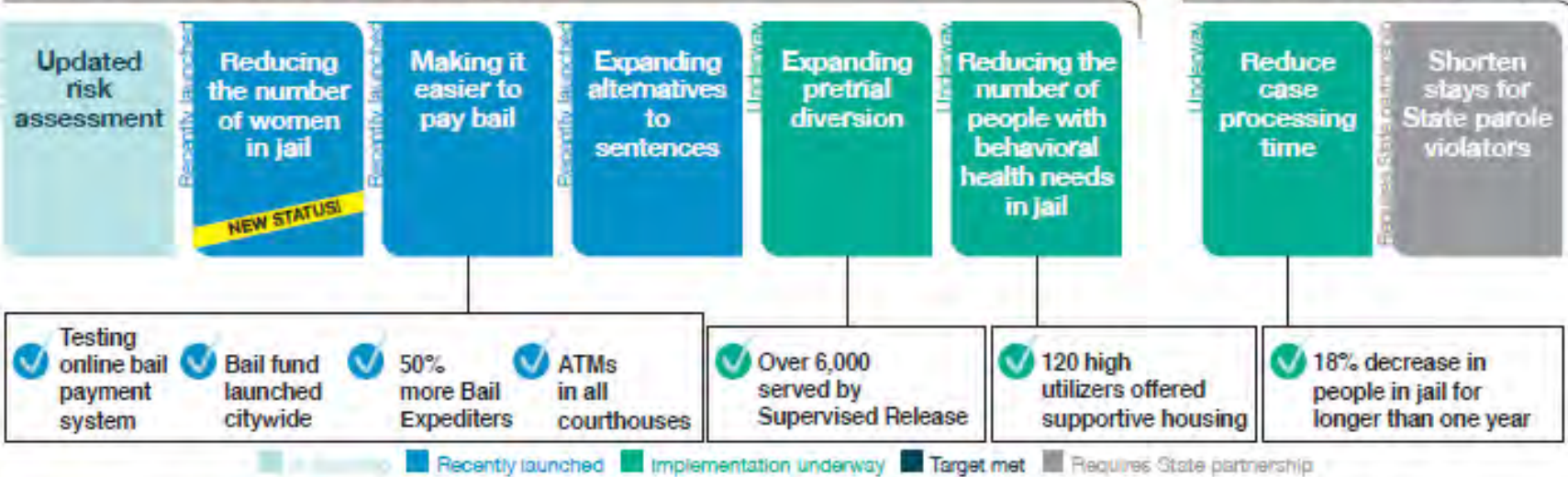
Status of strategies

1 SMALLER SAFELY REDUCING THE SIZE OF THE JAIL POPULATION

Strategy Overview: The Roadmap includes eight strategies to reduce the size of the city's jail population by 25% over the next five years. Seventy-five percent of these strategies are already underway and producing results, with nearly half newly launched in the last few months.

Reduce number of people who enter jail

Reduce how long they stay



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Risk Assessment Recap

Overview

The new FTA tool, which will be rolled out at the end of 2018, will aim to increase the number of defendants recommended for release, while maintaining high court appearance rates citywide.

Implementation

- Ensuring that judges and other court actors vet the new tool and trust its recommendation
- Questions about biases within risk assessment tools
- Designing interview protocols that will increase defendants' trust in the assessment process

Open questions around risk assessment

Objective: To support the successful implementation of the tool.

Active proposal: Reframe and/or rename the FTA tool as a release assessment and measuring “likelihood to appear” instead of “failure-to-appear.”

Open questions: How else might this group ensure that there is sufficient support from court actors?

- What changes could be made to **how assessment information is presented**?
- What **other information** might judges like to review in making release decisions?
- Following implementation, what **information about the progress and impact** of the tool would be helpful to track?

Working Group outputs: Guidance on protocols, practice, and impact measurement

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Diversion and Reentry Council

Overview

- Since 2016, MOCJ has regularly convened the Diversion and Reentry Council.
- The purpose of the Council is to develop and implement new initiatives throughout the criminal justice system.

Current Focus: Risk Need Responsivity (RNR) Gap Analysis

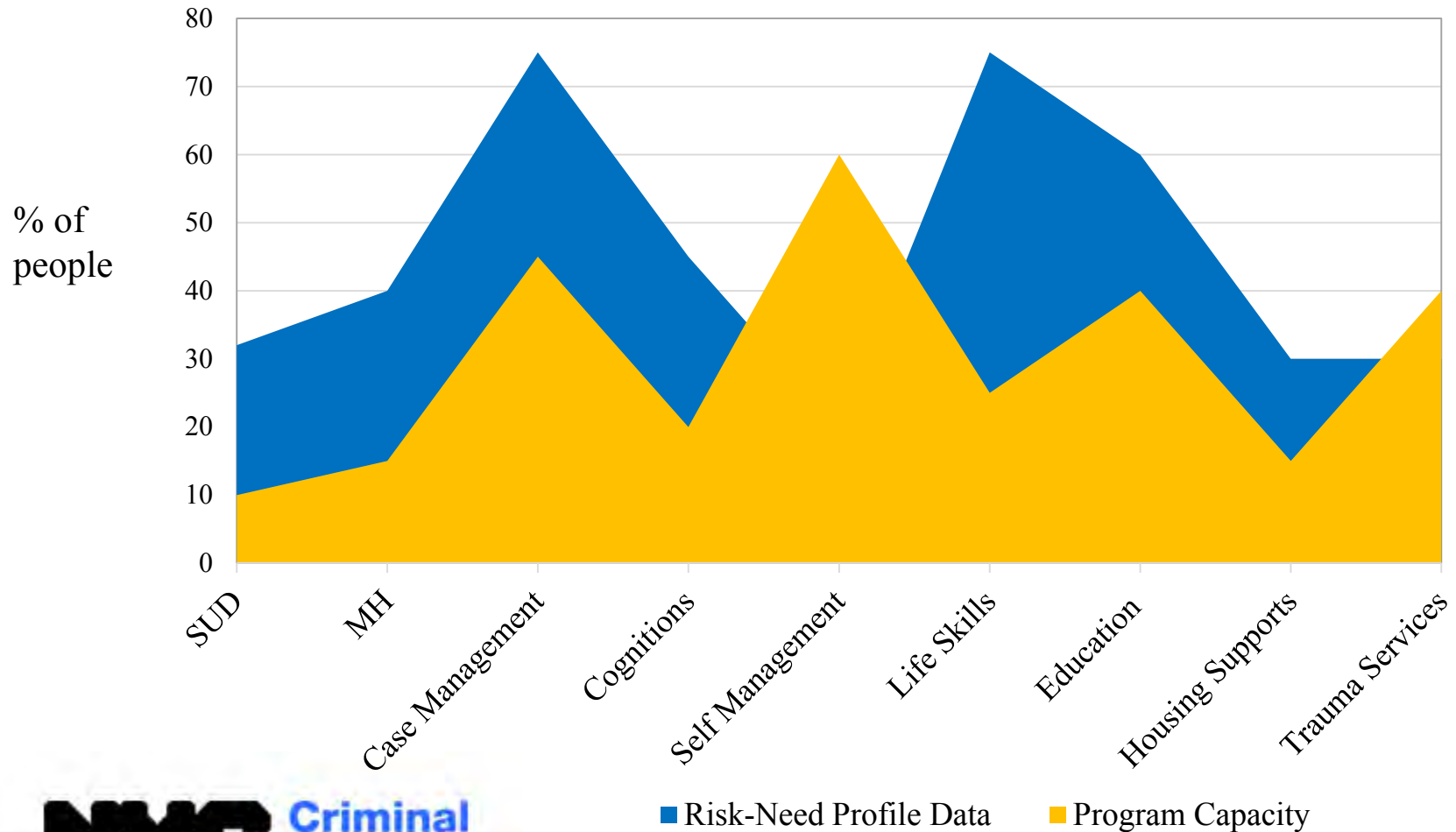
- Research project working to assess the needs of justice-involved people in NYC and map the City's ability to meet those needs through services and programs.
- Led by Faye Taxman of the Center for Advancing Correctional Excellence at George Mason University.

Subcommittees

- Beginning in February 2018, MOCJ will convene four groups that will focus on key priorities: Diversion Subcommittee, Reentry Subcommittee, Gender Responsive Subcommittee, and Task Force on Reentry for Older Adults.

Gap Analysis: Risk-Need Profiles vs. Program Capacity

Presentation to the Diversion and Reentry Council, December 2017

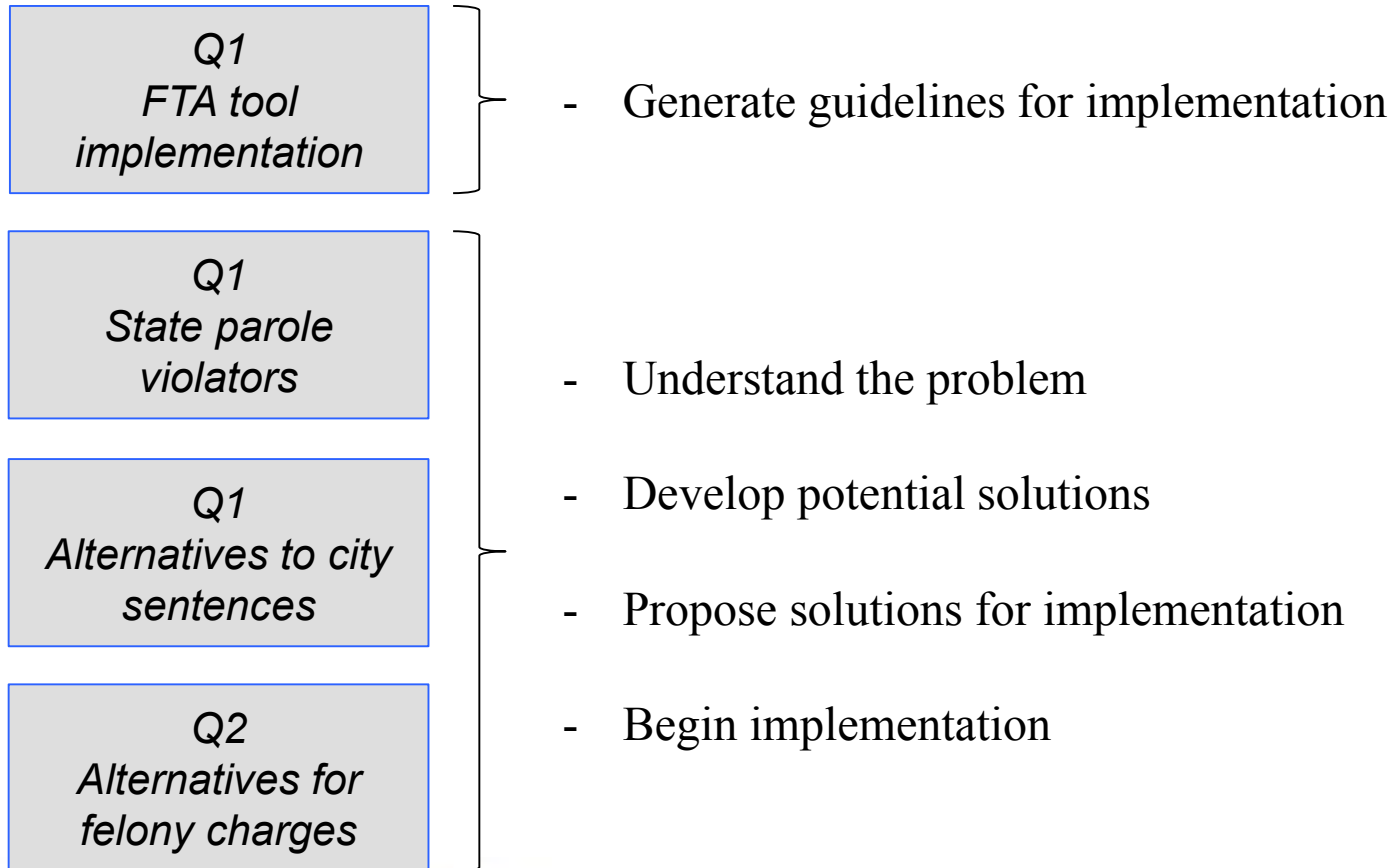


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Focus of our work moving forward

Four potential areas of focus in the months ahead:



Focus of our work moving forward

Average Daily Population (snapshot from January 1, 2018)

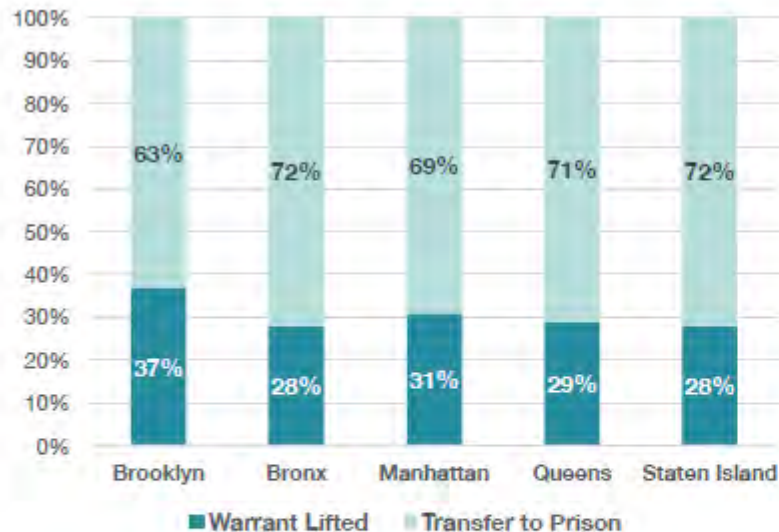
Population	ADP
State parole violators	600
City sentenced	1,081
Violent felony	3,346
Nonviolent felony	2,262
Misdemeanor	564
Other	452
Total	8,705

Source: The Mayor's Office of Criminal Justice analysis of NYC Department of Correction data, January 2018.

State parole violators

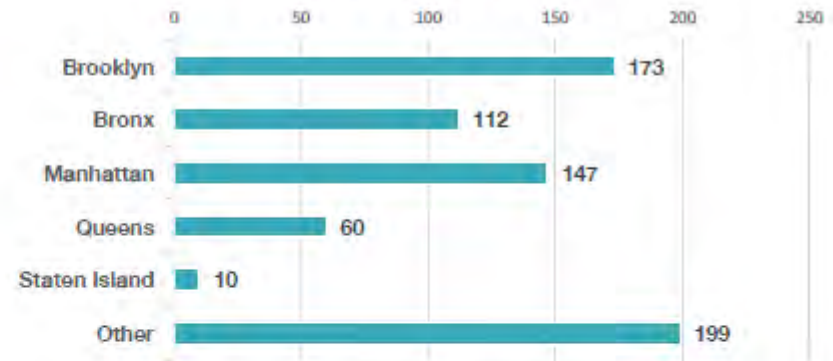
Approximately 3,600 state technical parole violators were discharged from DOC custody in FY2017.

Outcomes for State Technical Parole Violations, FY17



- At discharge, 33% had their warrant lifted (ALOS=53 days) and 67% were transferred to state prison (ALOS= 60 days)

Individuals Detained on State Technical Parole Violations, 11/16/17



- On 11/16/17, there were 701 people in DOC custody on a technical violation
- The number of detained technical parole violators is rising**
- Absent legislative change and/or increased state-run ATIs, this population is difficult to reduce.

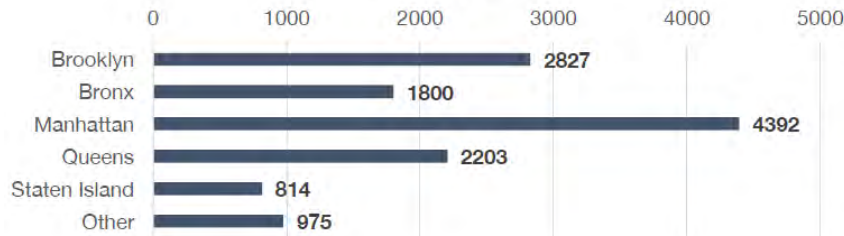


Sources: MOCJ Analysis of DOC discharge data, FY2017: 11/16/17 Census Snapshot

City sentenced

City Sentenced: In FY17, 13,000 individuals were discharged after serving a city sentence

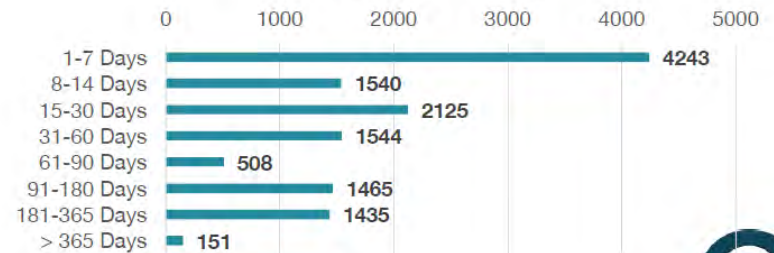
Individuals leaving post-city sentence by case borough



- Over half of all city sentenced individuals spent less than one month in custody
- On 11/16/17, 1,213 people were serving a city sentence
 - 590 felony, 576 misdemeanor, 47 other charges

- While 6,700 people were admitted to DOC custody to serve a city sentence, **13,000 people left DOC custody after completing a city sentence of 1+ days.**
- Manhattan courts had the highest number of people leaving after a city sentence

Length of stay for individuals leaving post-city sentence



Sources: MOCJ Analysis of DOC discharge data, FY2017; 11/16/17 Census Snapshot

Focus of our work in Q1

	Parole violators	City sentences
<i>What is already underway and what do we need to know?</i>		
<i>Which experts should we consult?</i>		
<i>What are our preliminary ideas?</i>		

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