



Chief Probation Officers of California

Adoption of a Research-Based Approach to Supervision

CPOC hereby adopts a policy in support of research-based supervision strategies that reduce the factors associated with criminal behavior for juvenile and adult offenders.

Specifically, that Probation Departments will:

- Utilize validated risk and needs assessment instruments to identify the factors associated with individual criminal behavior, and assign appropriate levels of supervision and targeted treatment;
- Prioritize resources for interventions that have been proven through research to reduce recidivism;
- Use available data to monitor offender outcomes and guide business practices;
- Evaluate practices developed in the field of community corrections for effectiveness, and disseminate throughout the field;
- Build best practices in supervision into ongoing staff training.