

**Standing Council on Community and**

**Disability Services Advisory Council**

**Summary of funding proposal 2014–15**

**Part A – Project funding**

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| **Sub Committee or Working Group sponsoring the project**  Australasian Juvenile Justice Administrators (AJJA) | |
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| 1. | Title of project  Developing a linked data collection to report on the relationships between child protection and juvenile justice |
| 2. | Purpose of project  This bid represents the second year of a two year project. The project involves developing a linked data set that can be used to report on the relationships between child protection and juvenile justice.  The first year of work (2013–14) was endorsed by SCCDSAC in August 2013 and is currently underway. Successful completion of the work (in 2014–15) requires detailed consultation; testing; and reporting of results. |
| 3. | Outcomes to be achieved  This main outcomes of this project would be:   1. the identification of key questions to be answered by an ongoing project linking child protection and juvenile justice data on an annual basis 2. a method to link these collections on an annual basis 3. the development of standard analysis to answer key questions.   The main outputs would be:   1. a report detailing the main outcomes 2. a computer program to link the two collections on an annual basis. |
| 4. | Benefits to be derived from the project  This linkage development work is occurring in parallel with the implementation of the CP NMDS. As such, this allows for any additional data items required for successful data linkage to be included in the collection, and will enable linkage to occur from the first year of implementation.  This project builds on the previous CDSMAC-funded projects to link child protection, SAAP and juvenile justice data (stage 1 and stage 2), which resulted in the following publications:   * AIHW 2008. Linking SAAP, child protection and juvenile justice data collections: a feasibility study. Data linkage series no. 5. Cat. no. CSI 5. Canberra: AIHW. * AIHW 2012. Children and young people at risk of social exclusion: links between homelessness, child protection and juvenile justice data. Data linkage series no. 13. Cat. no. CSI 13. Canberra: AIHW. * AIHW 2012. Linking SAAP, child protection and juvenile justice data: technical report. Data linkage series no. 14. Cat. no. CSI 14. Canberra: AIHW. |
| 5. | Proposed work program timeframes/ and milestones  Milestones relating to the first 12 months of this project (July 2013 to June 2014) are either completed or on track for completion by 1 July 2014).  The second 12 months of this two-year project (July 2014–June 2015) would involve identifying key questions to refine the methodology further and enable it to be targeted to address relevant policy issues across the two sectors. This would result in a final, agreed methodology that could be applied annually, to enable this linkage and its output to be available on an ongoing basis.   |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | **Step** | **Activity/milestone** | **Expected completion** | | 1 | Establish reference group | October 2013—completed | | 2 | Review previous linkage project and identify and pilot any additional data items required for successful linkage | Early 2014—in progress | | 3 | Develop a method to link the data collections on an annual basis | June 2014 | | 4 | Identify key questions to be answered by a linked data set in consultation with the reference group | October 2014 | | 5 | Develop standard analysis and reporting on the linked data set | February 2015 | | 6 | Final report to SCCDSAC | June 2015 | |
| 6. | Outcomes from earlier years work on this project *(if applicable)*  The first 12 months of work (July 2013–June 2014) has built on the previous stage of linkage work (between child protection, juvenile justice and specialist homelessness services data collections). It involved refining data linkage methods to produce a robust methodology enabling the ongoing linkage of the data sets on an annual basis. This included identifying additional items for collection to enable a streamlined linkage process to be designed.  The project remains on track for the development of standard analysis and reporting on the linked data set to be completed in early 2015, and the delivery of a final report to SCCDSAC in mid 2015. |
| 7. | Support for this project by other jurisdictions or principal committees  The proposal is supported by the Australasian Juvenile Justice Administrators (AJJA) and the Children, Youth and Community Services Policy and Research Working Group (CYCSPRWG), both subcommittees of SCCDSAC. |

**Part B – Secretariat and project funding costs**

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|  | **Description** | 2014–15  $ | 2015–16  $ |
| Secretariat for a sub-committee or Working Group  *(FTE calculation)* |  |  |  |
| Administrative costs |  |  |  |
| Travel |  |  |  |
| Meetings |  |  |  |
| **Total secretariat costs** |  |  |  |
| Work program |  | $83,700 |  |
| **Total project costs** |  | $83,700 | $ |
| Resources provided by sponsoring jurisdiction if relevant.  *(e.g. secretariat/ administrative support)* |  |  |  |