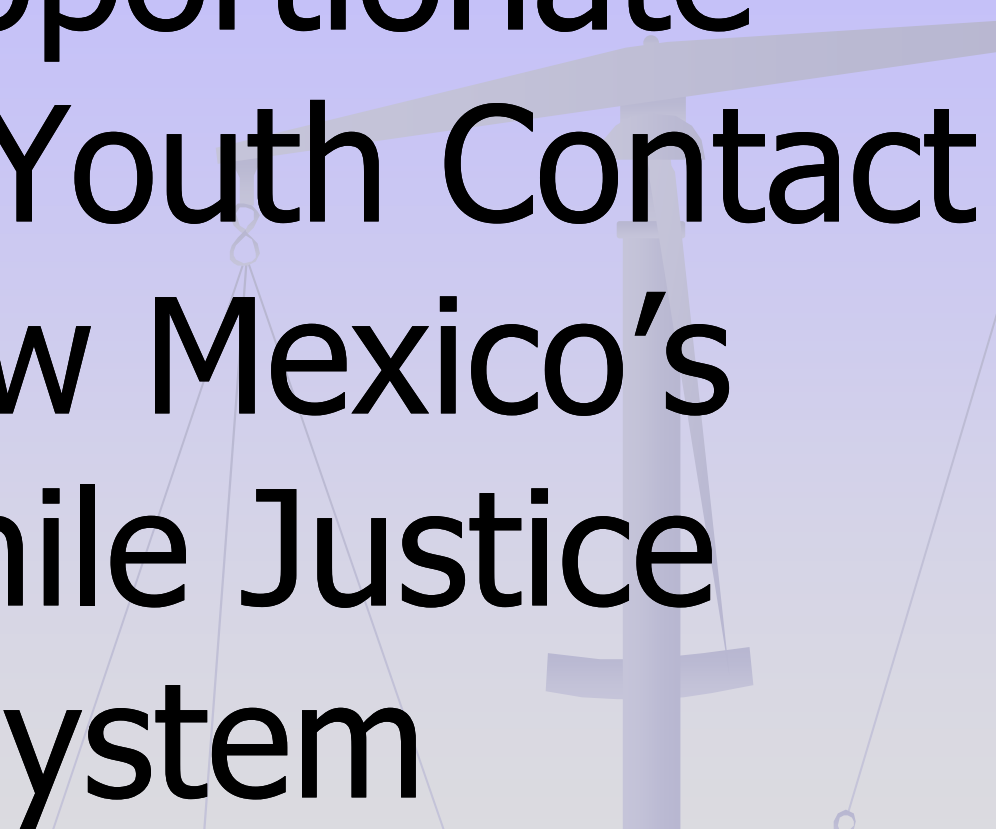


Disproportionate Minority Youth Contact in New Mexico's Juvenile Justice System



Disproportionate Minority Contact Blue Ribbon Panel

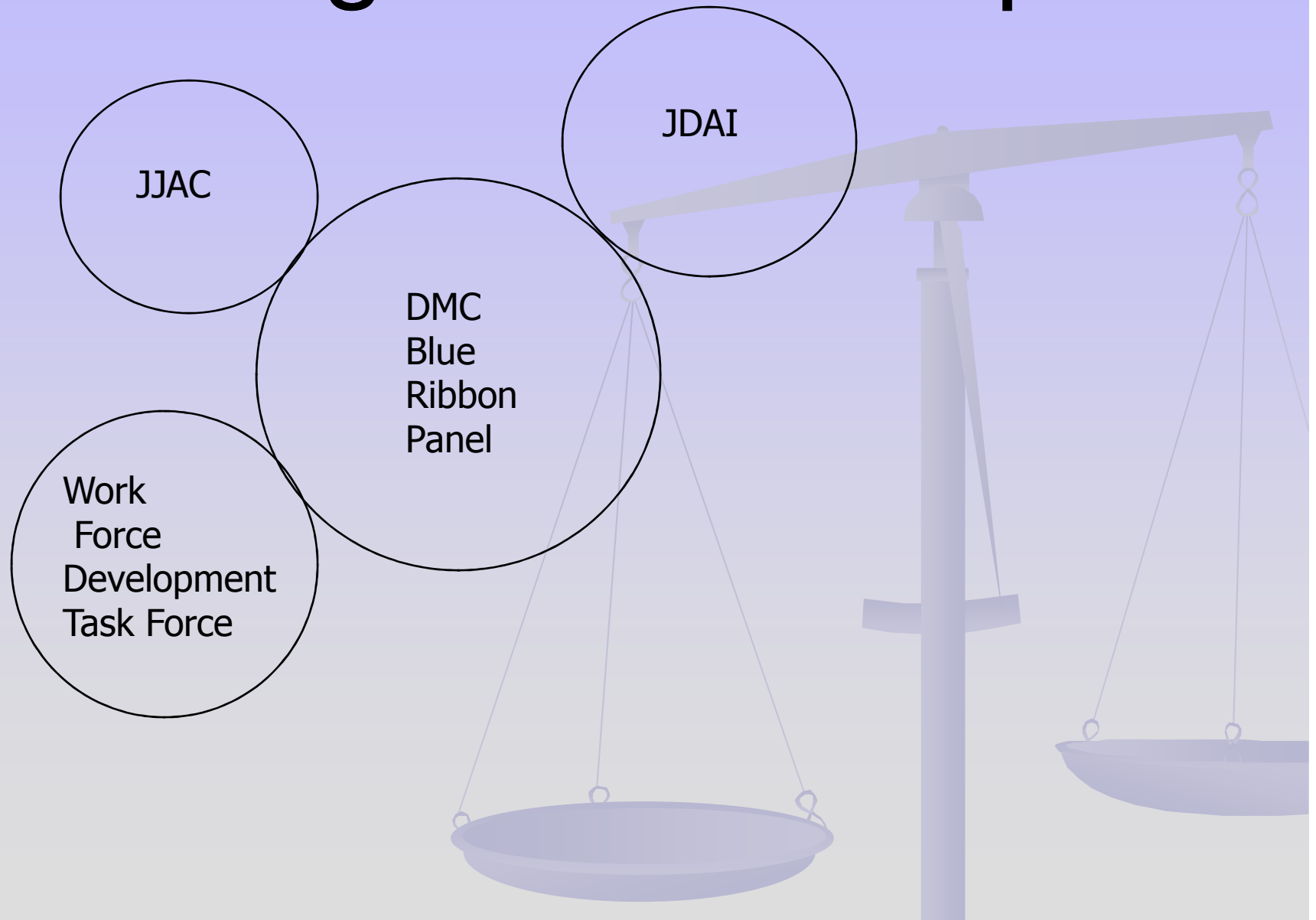
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- Hon. Barbara Vigil, Children's Court Judge, First Judicial District
 - Dorian Dodson, CYFD Interim Secretary
 - Justice Patricio Serna, Justice of NM Supreme Court
 - Donald Gallegos, District Attorney 8th Jud. District
 - Sgt. Dean Norris, Santa Fe Police Department
 - Hon. Larry Ramirez, Children's Court Judge 3rd Judicial District
 - Rep. Tom Swisstack, Director of Bernalillo Juvenile Det. Cntr.
 - Rep. Rick Miera, House Educ. Committee Chairman
 - Rep. Jim Trujillo,
 - David Eisenberg, Chief Deputy Public Defender
 - Ted Lovato, Deputy Director for Field Services JJD, CYFD
 - Jean Davidson, Superintendent of Educ. In Facilities, CYFD
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 - Lisa Marie Gomez, Youth Member and JJAC

Mission of DMC Blue Ribbon Panel

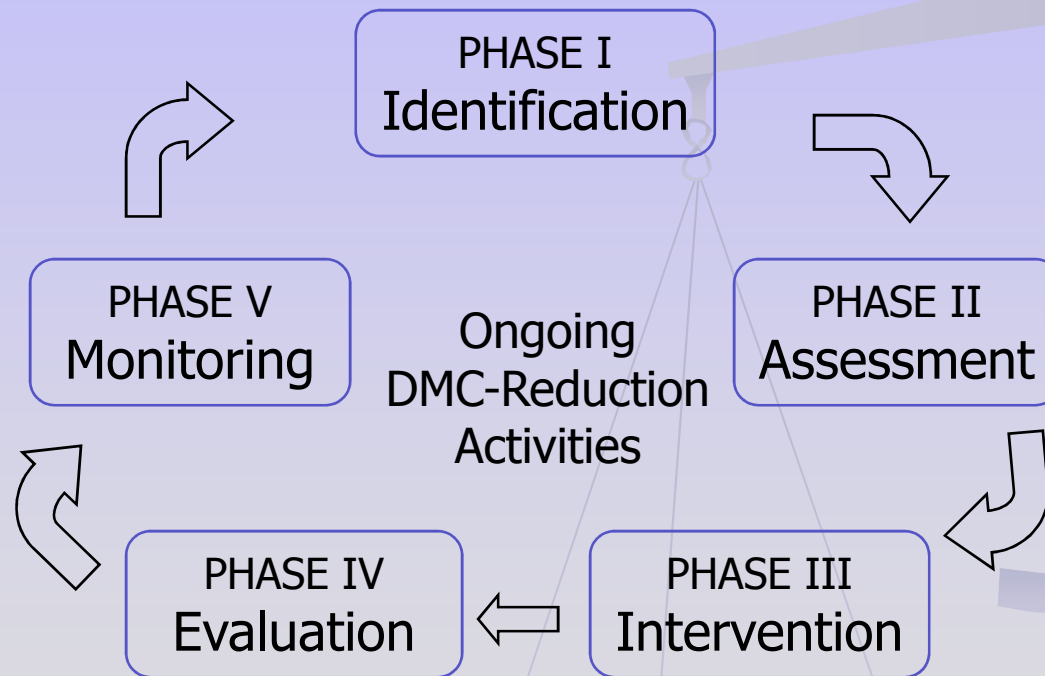


- Collaborative approach:
 - Interdisciplinary
 - Local, regional and statewide
- Utilize existing resources
 - JDAI and JJAC Continuum
- Impact systems at all level to reduce DMC

Strategic Partnerships:

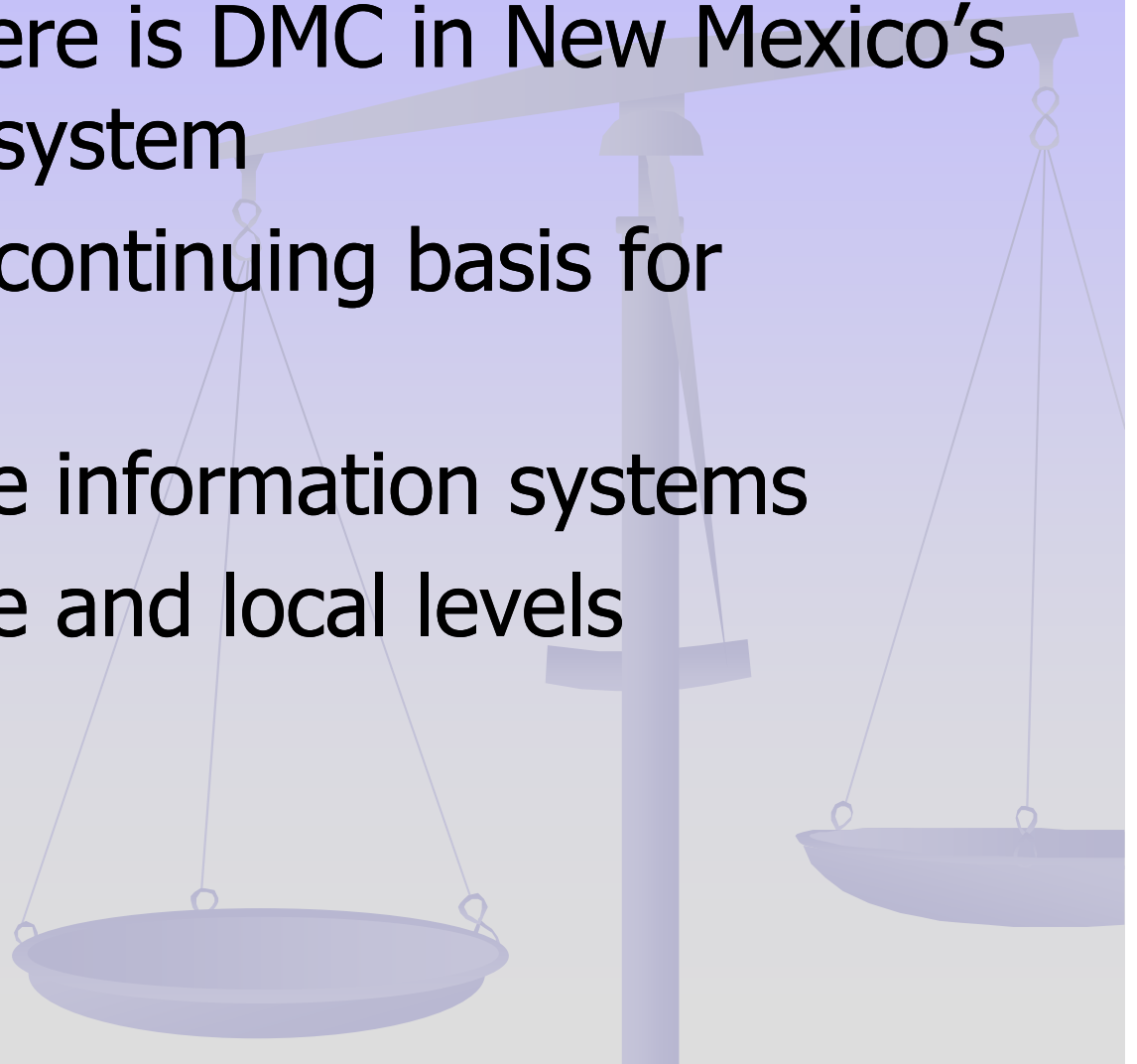


Our Model: The Five Phases of DMC-Reduction Activity



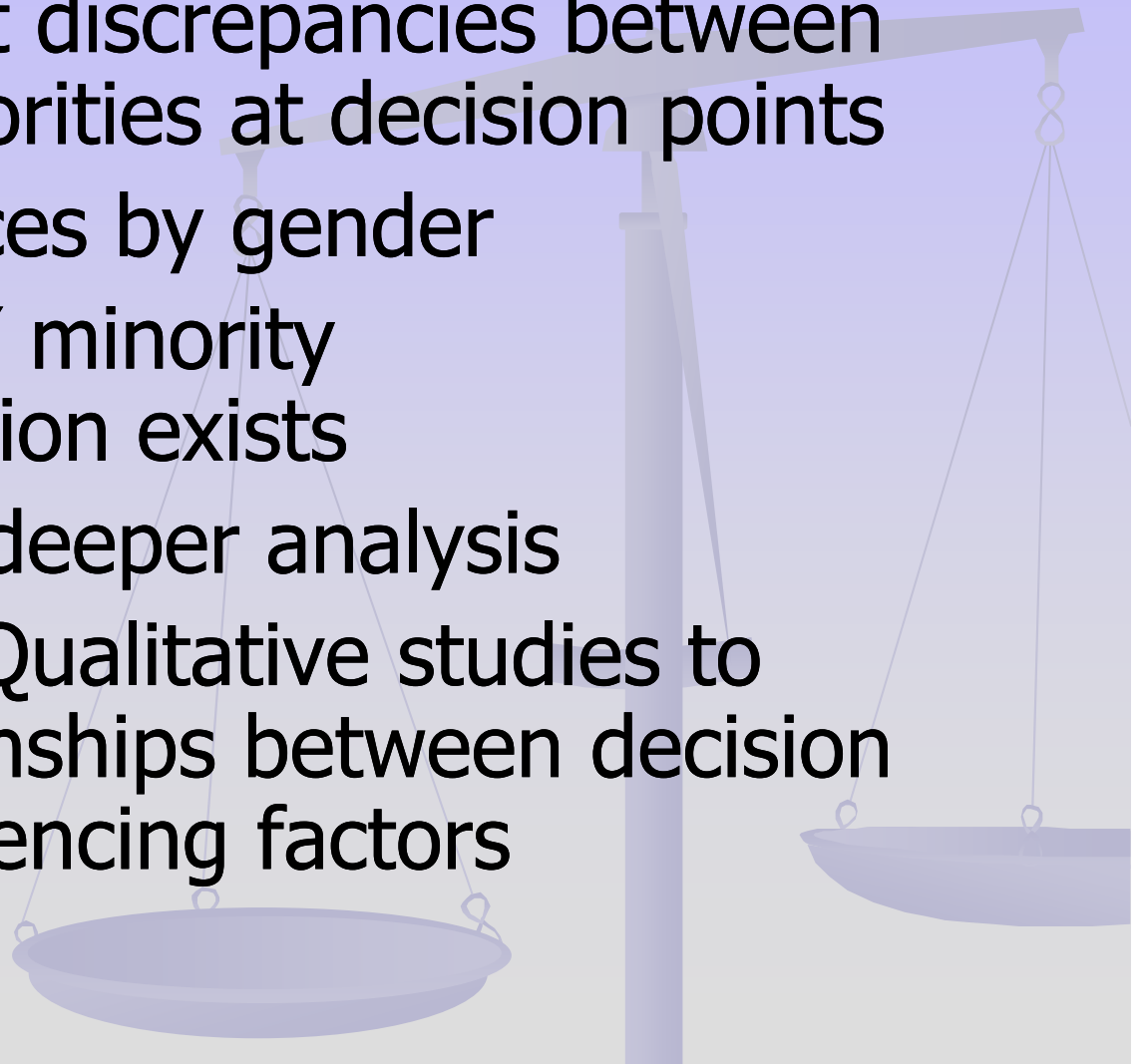
Identification

- Determine if there is DMC in New Mexico's juvenile justice system
- Collect data on continuing basis for monitoring
- Assure adequate information systems
- Ongoing at state and local levels



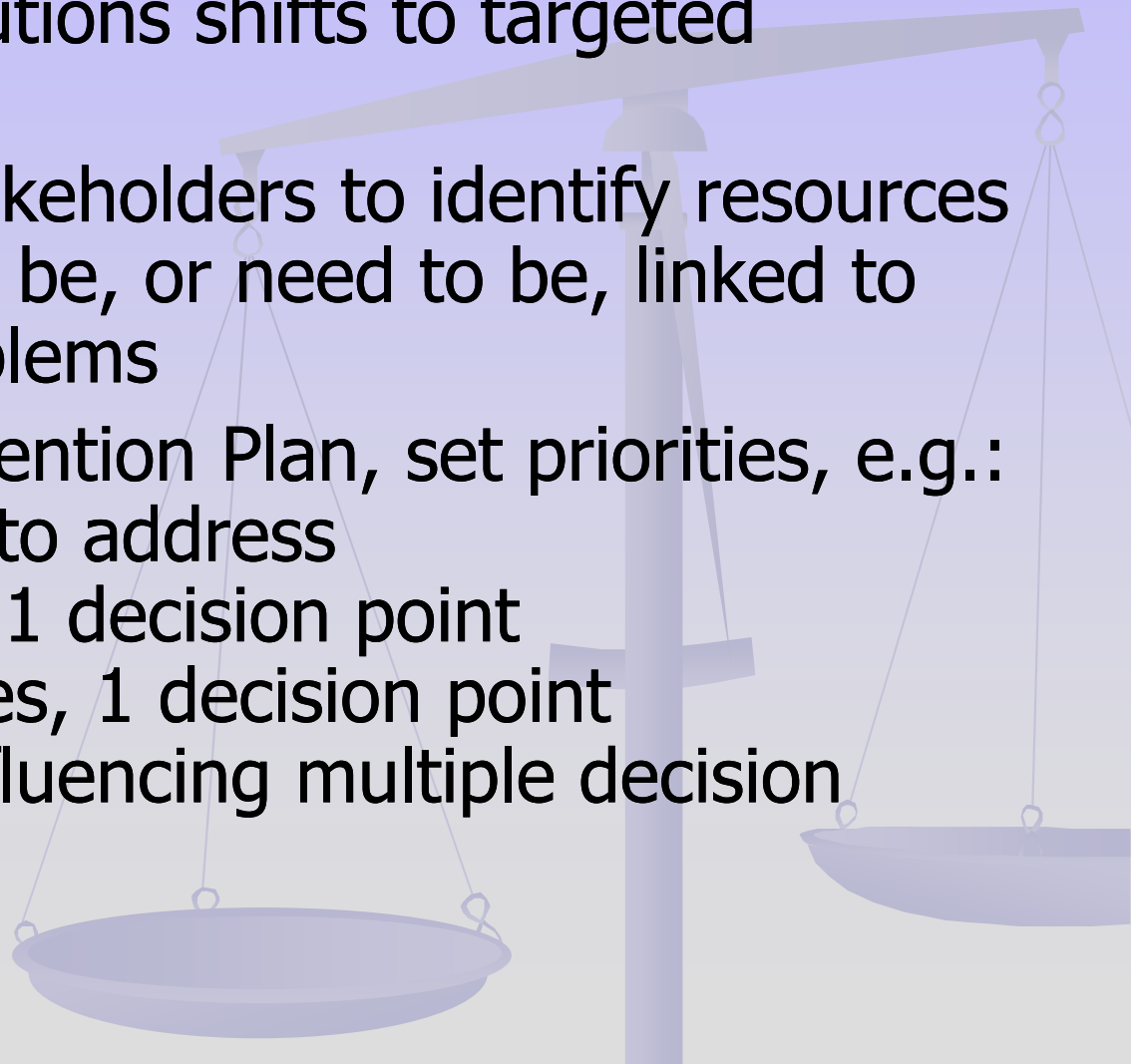
Assessment

- In-depth look at discrepancies between whites and minorities at decision points
- Assess differences by gender
- Determine WHY minority overrepresentation exists
- Select sites for deeper analysis
- Quantitative & Qualitative studies to examine relationships between decision points and influencing factors



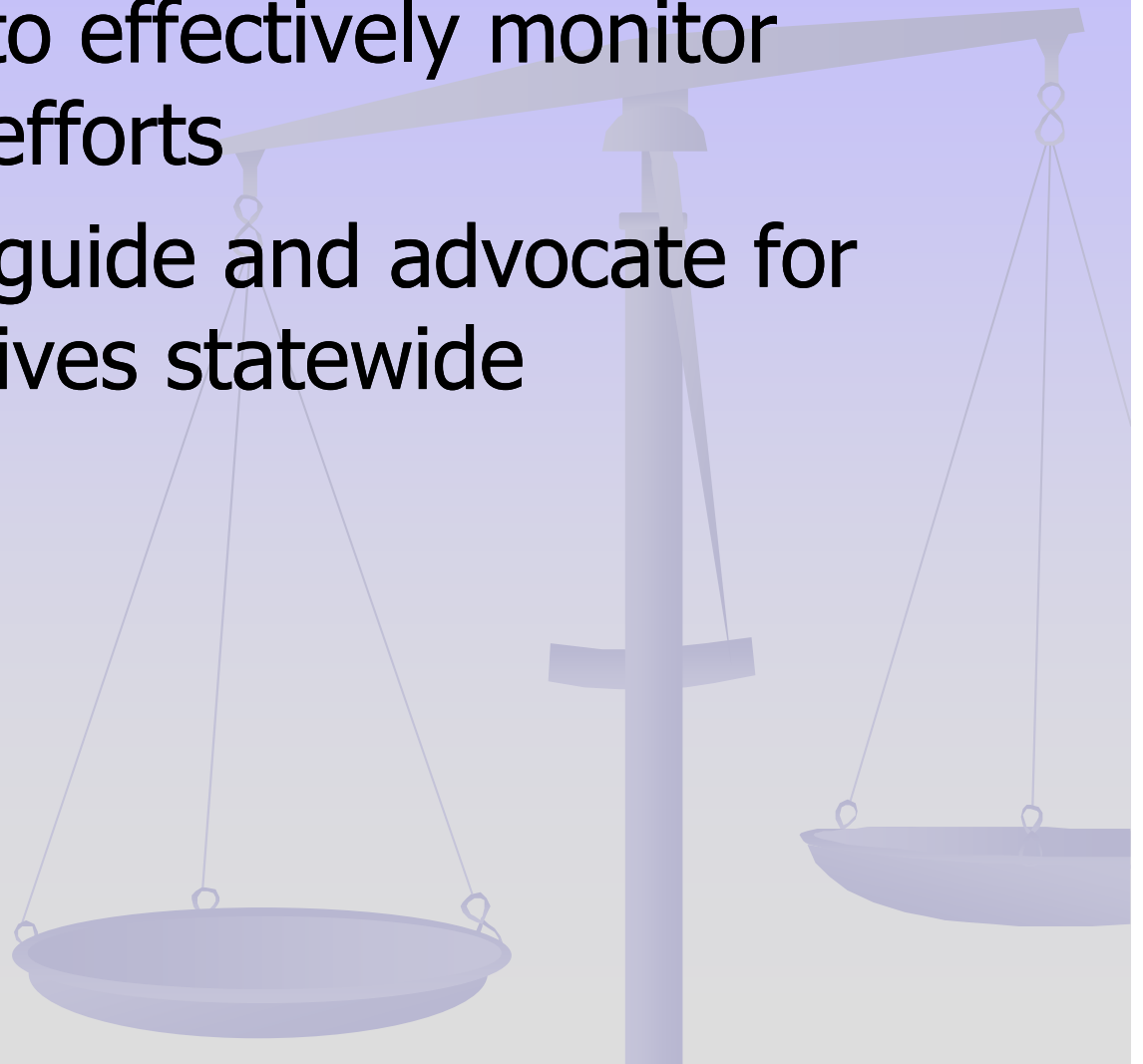
Intervention

- Implementing solutions shifts to targeted communities
- Need key local stakeholders to identify resources that could already be, or need to be, linked to the identified problems
- Develop an Intervention Plan, set priorities, e.g.:
Multiple Activities to address
 - Single cause, 1 decision point
 - Multiple causes, 1 decision point
 - One cause influencing multiple decision points



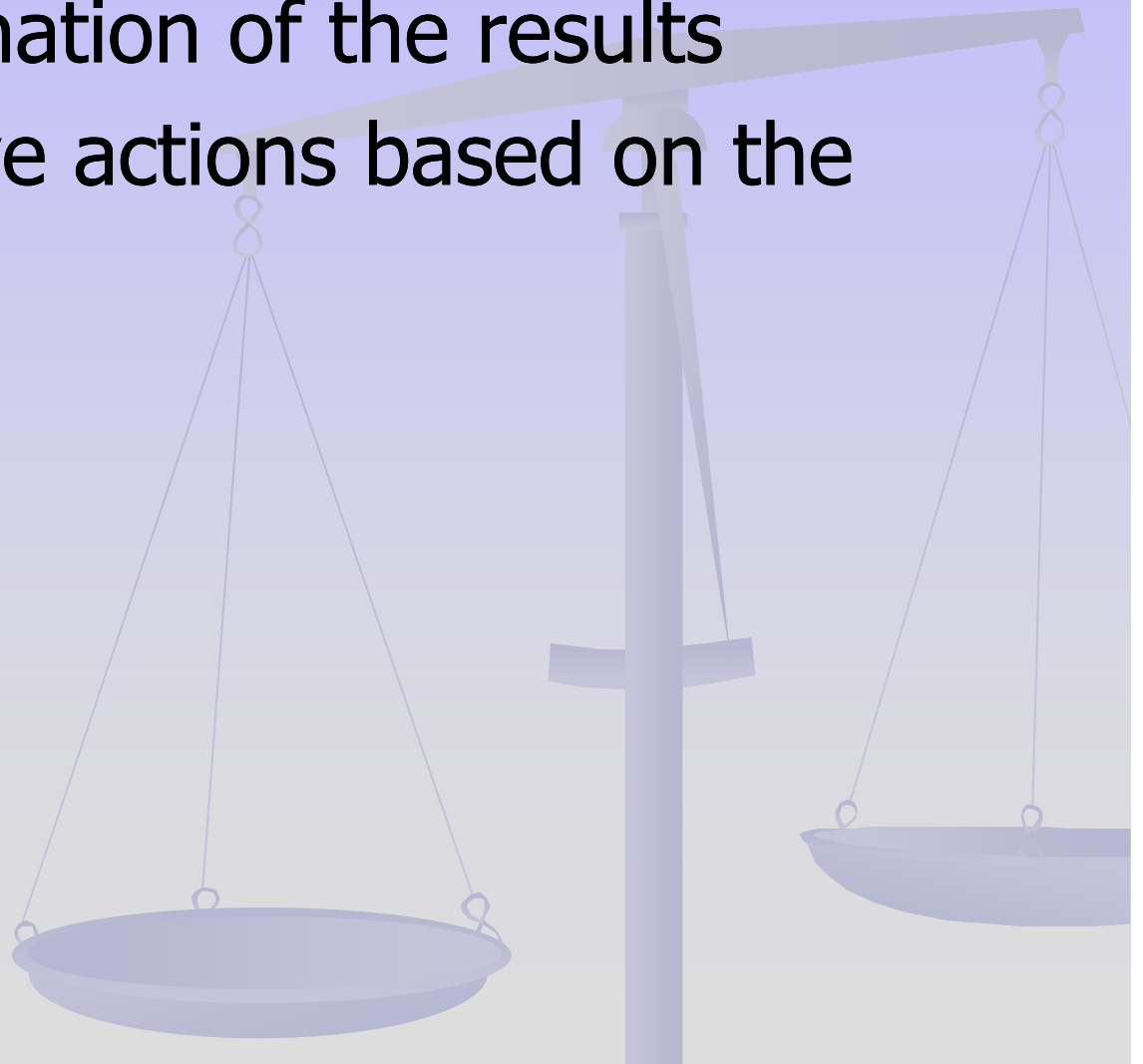
Evaluation

- Set framework to effectively monitor impact of DMC efforts
- Use findings to guide and advocate for increased initiatives statewide



Monitoring

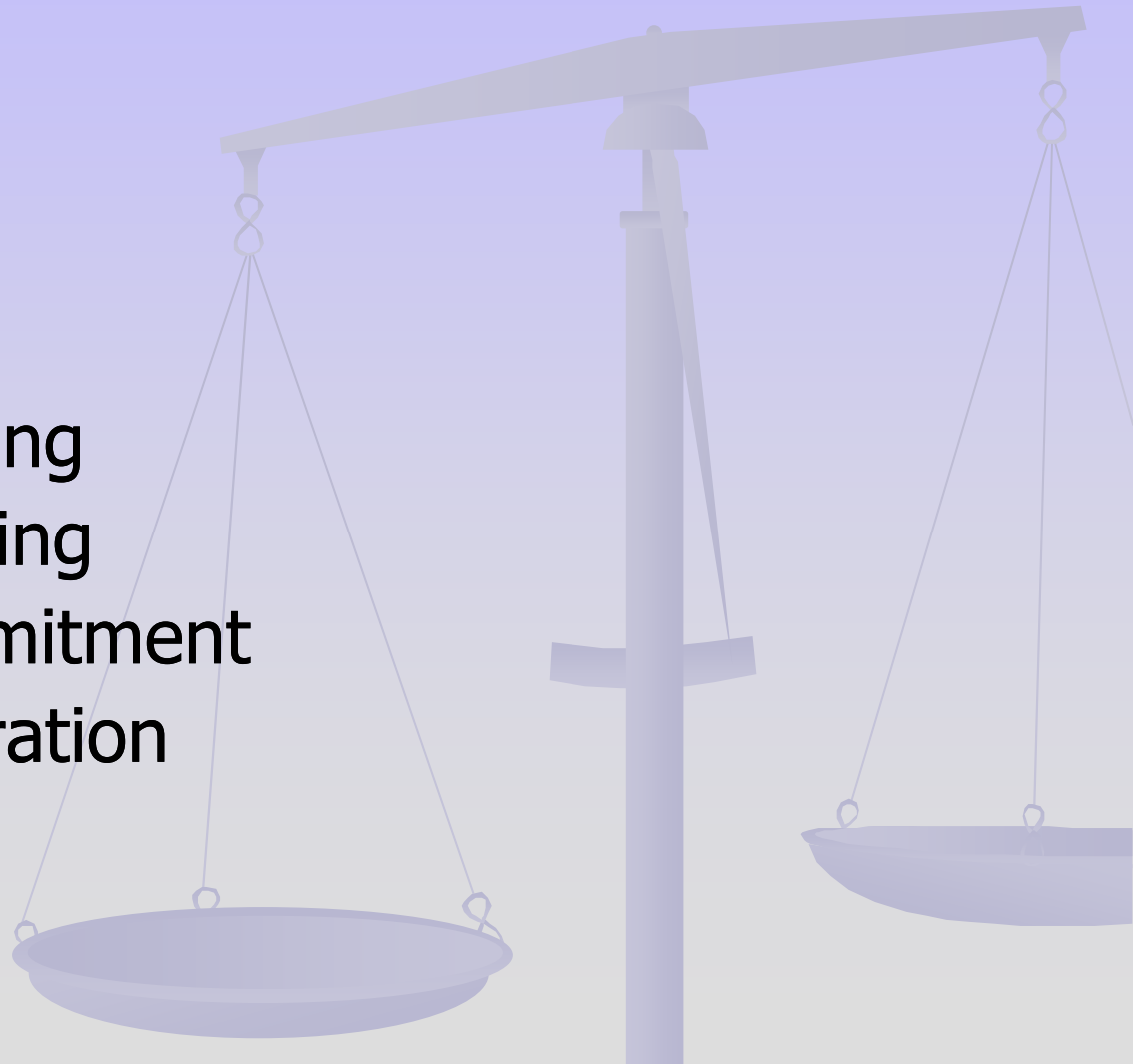
- Ongoing examination of the results
- Taking corrective actions based on the findings



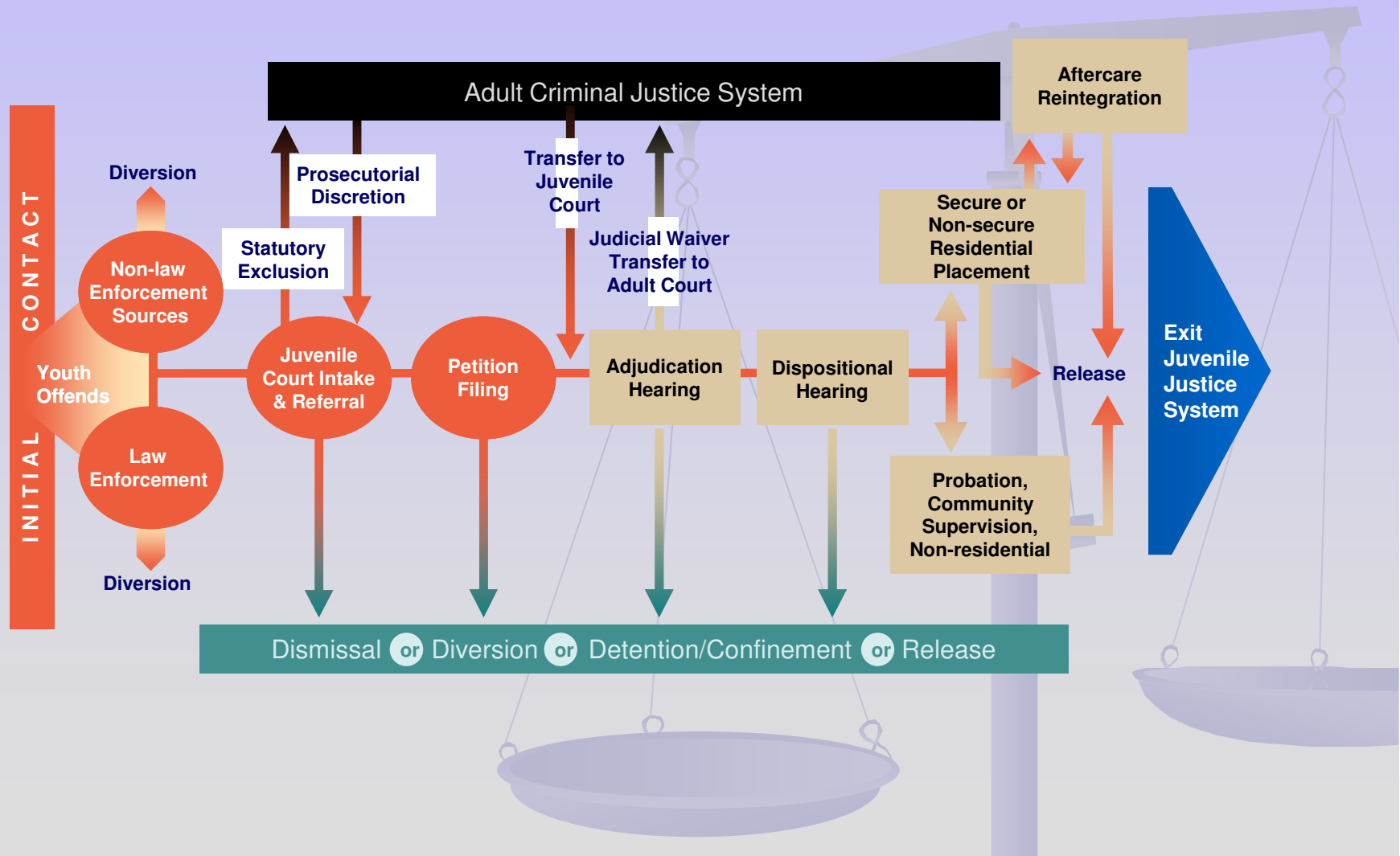
Juvenile Justice Flow Chart

Major Decision Points

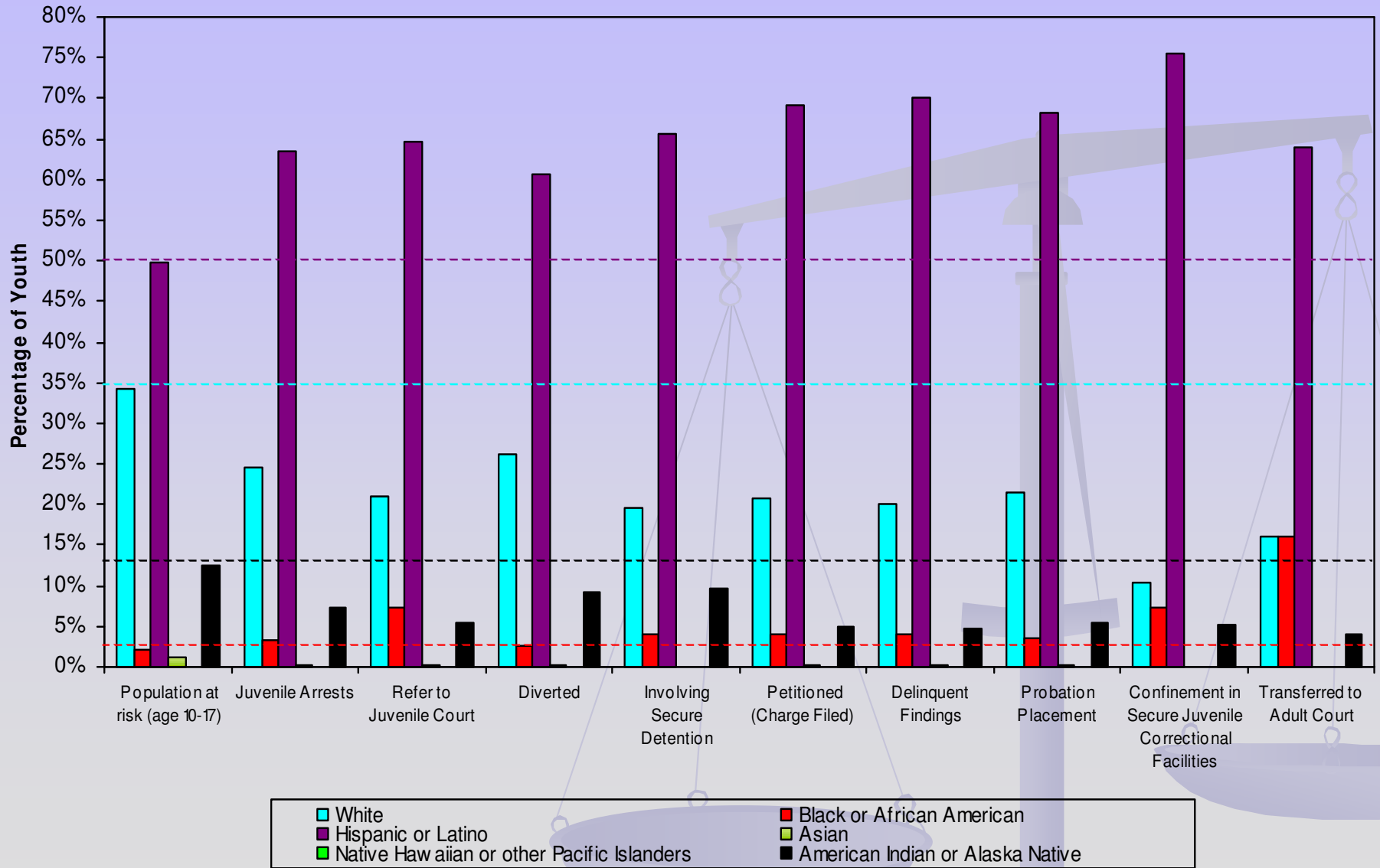
- Initial Contact
- Diversion
- Intake
- Petition Filing
- Adjudication Hearing
- Dispositional Hearing
- Probation or Commitment
- Aftercare/Reintegration



Juvenile Justice System Flow Chart



**New Mexico - Statewide
July 2004 thru June 2005
Juvenile Offenders' Racial/Ethnic Representation Across the Juvenile Justice System**



■ SCOPE OF THE PROBLEM—July 2004-June 2005 Data

AREA REPORTED

State : New Mexico
County: Statewide

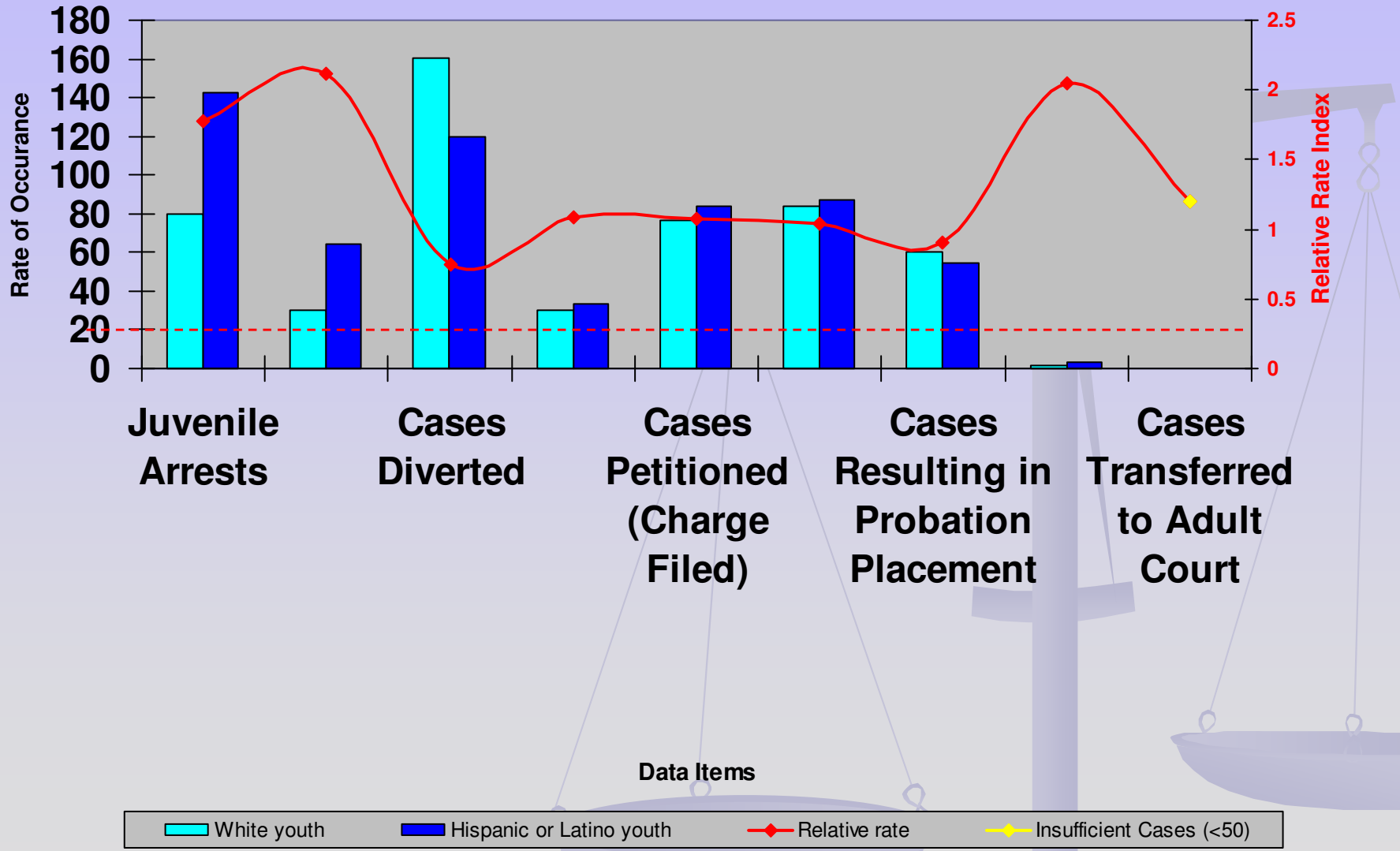
Reporting Period July / 2004 through June / 2005

	Total Youth	White	Black or African-American	Hispanic or Latino	Asian	Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islanders	American Indian or Alaska Native	Other/ Mixed	All Minorities
1. Population at risk (age 10 through 17)	235,265	80,651	5,103	117,3729	2,474	0	29,665	0	154,614
2. Juvenile Arrests	26,408	6,458	857	16,769	67	12	1,962	283	19,950
3. Refer to Juvenile Court	11,701	2,457	865	7,569	36	5	638	131	9,244
4. Cases Diverted	14,996	3,933	401	9,089	28	6	1,374	165	11,063
5. Cases Involving Secure Detention	3,803	747	152	2,499	1	1	369	34	3,056
6. Cases Petitioned (Charge Filed)	9,151	1,891	371	6,319	27	2	451	90	7,260
7. Cases Resulting in Delinquent Findings	7,854	1,579	307	5,500	13	2	378	75	6,275
8. Cases resulting in Probation Placement	4,409	947	158	3,004	11	2	244	43	3,462
9. Cases Resulting in Confinement in Secure Juvenile Correctional Facilities	256	27	19	193	0	0	13	4	229
10. Cases Transferred to Adult Court	25	4	4	16	0	0	1	0	21

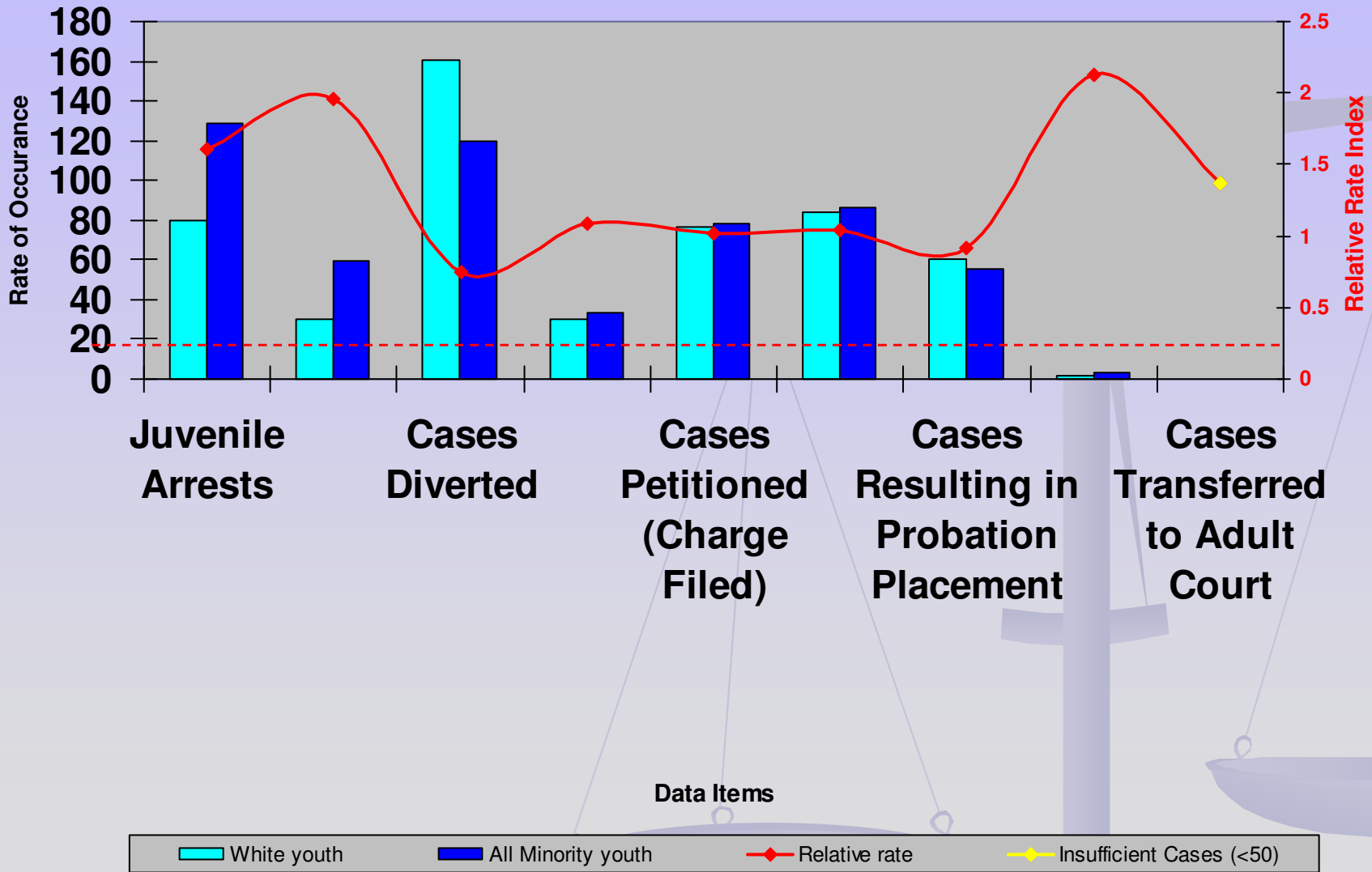
Meets 1% rule?

Yes Yes Yes No No Yes Yes

New Mexico DMC Matrix
July 2004 thru June 2005
White and Hispanic or Latino Youth Rate of Occurance & RRI



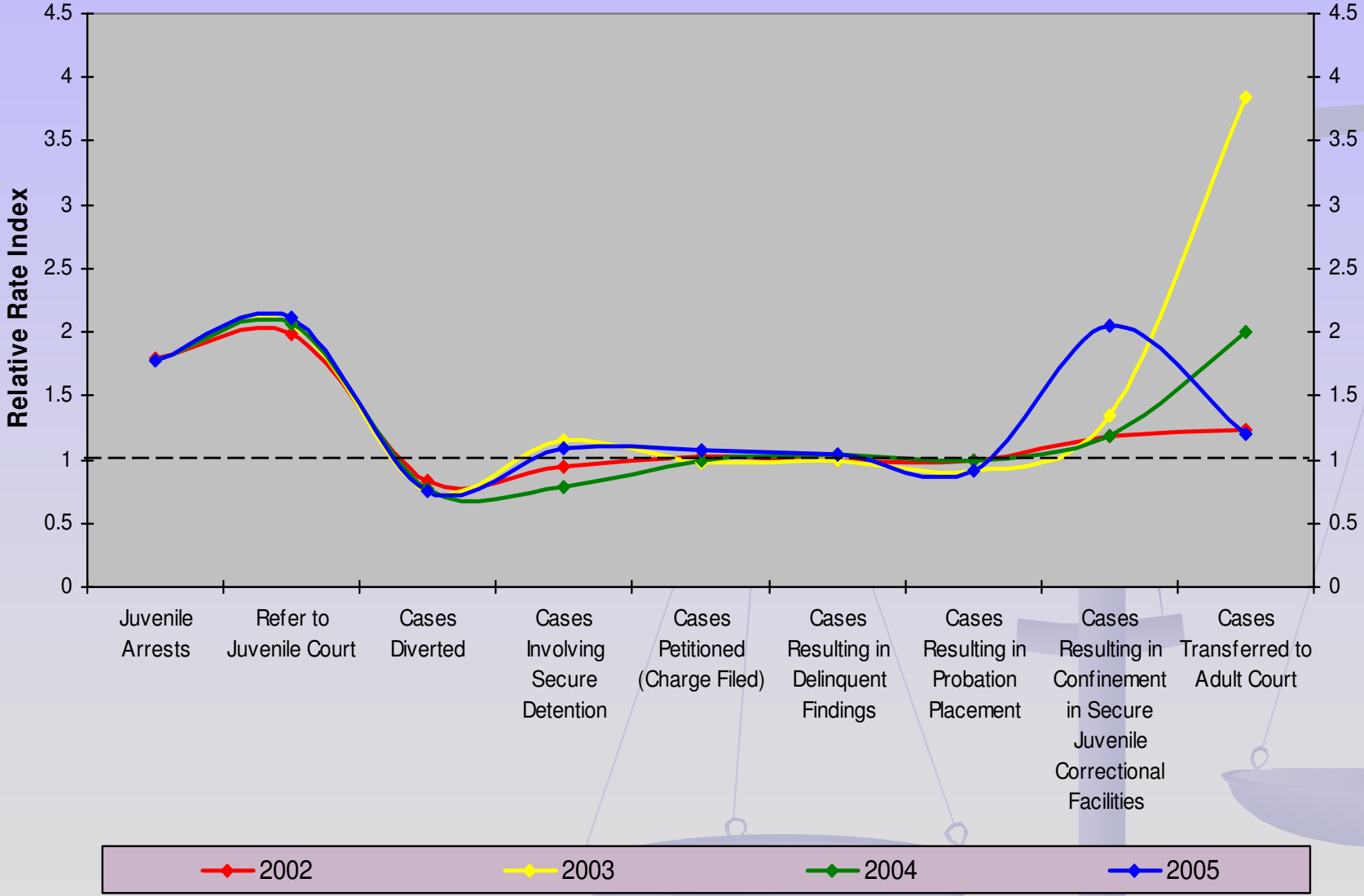
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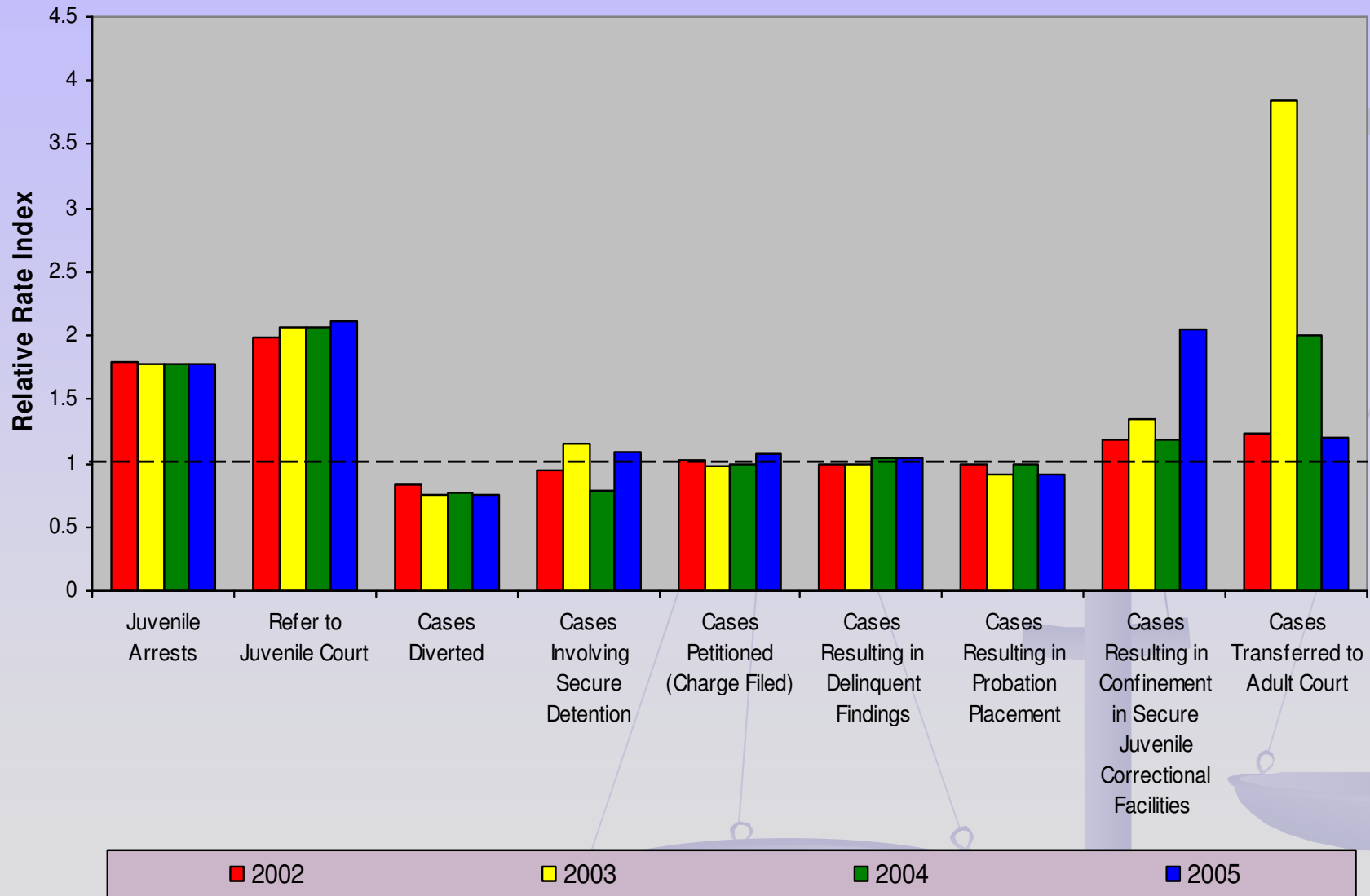
- **STATEWIDE TRENDS**
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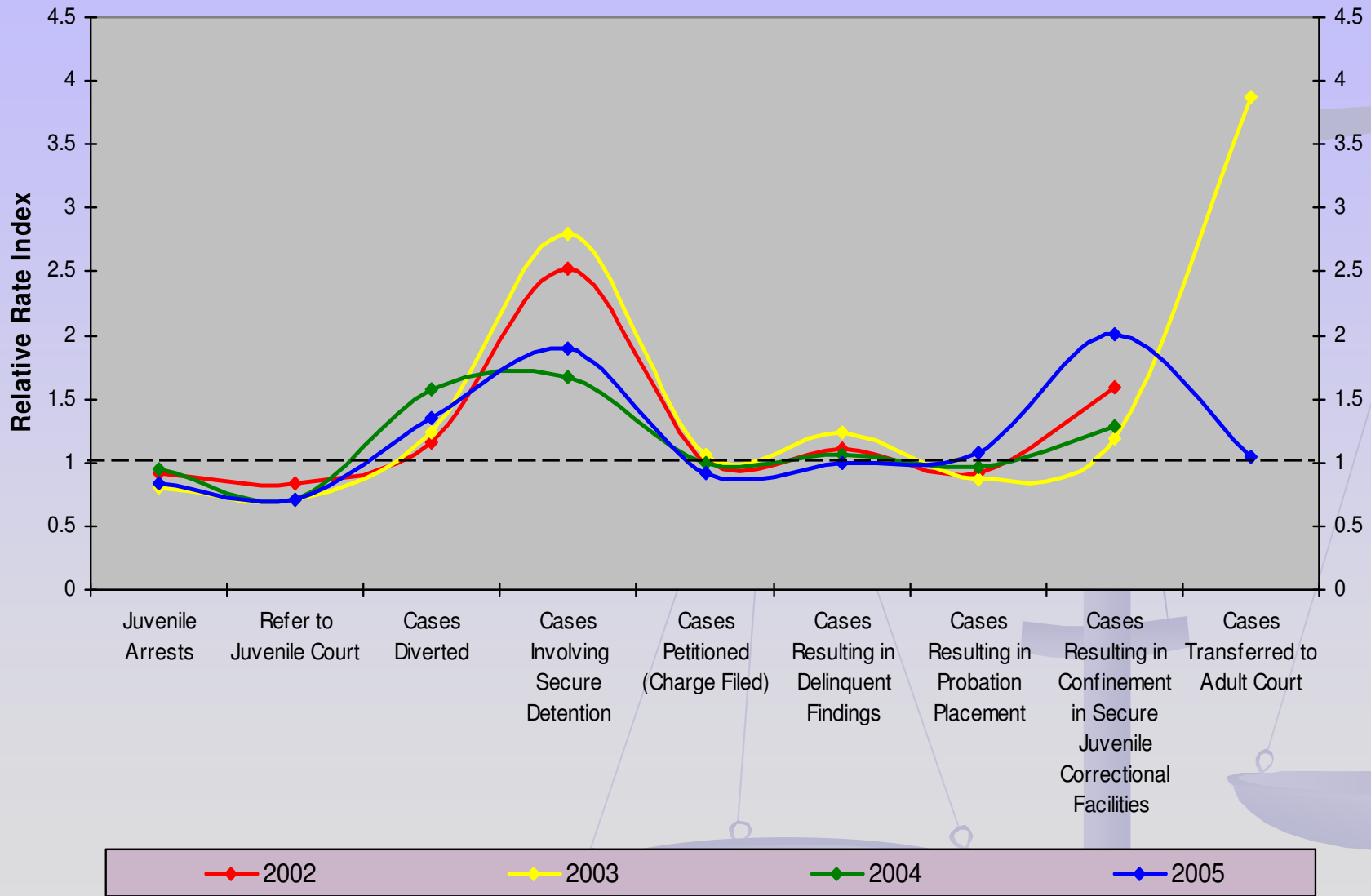
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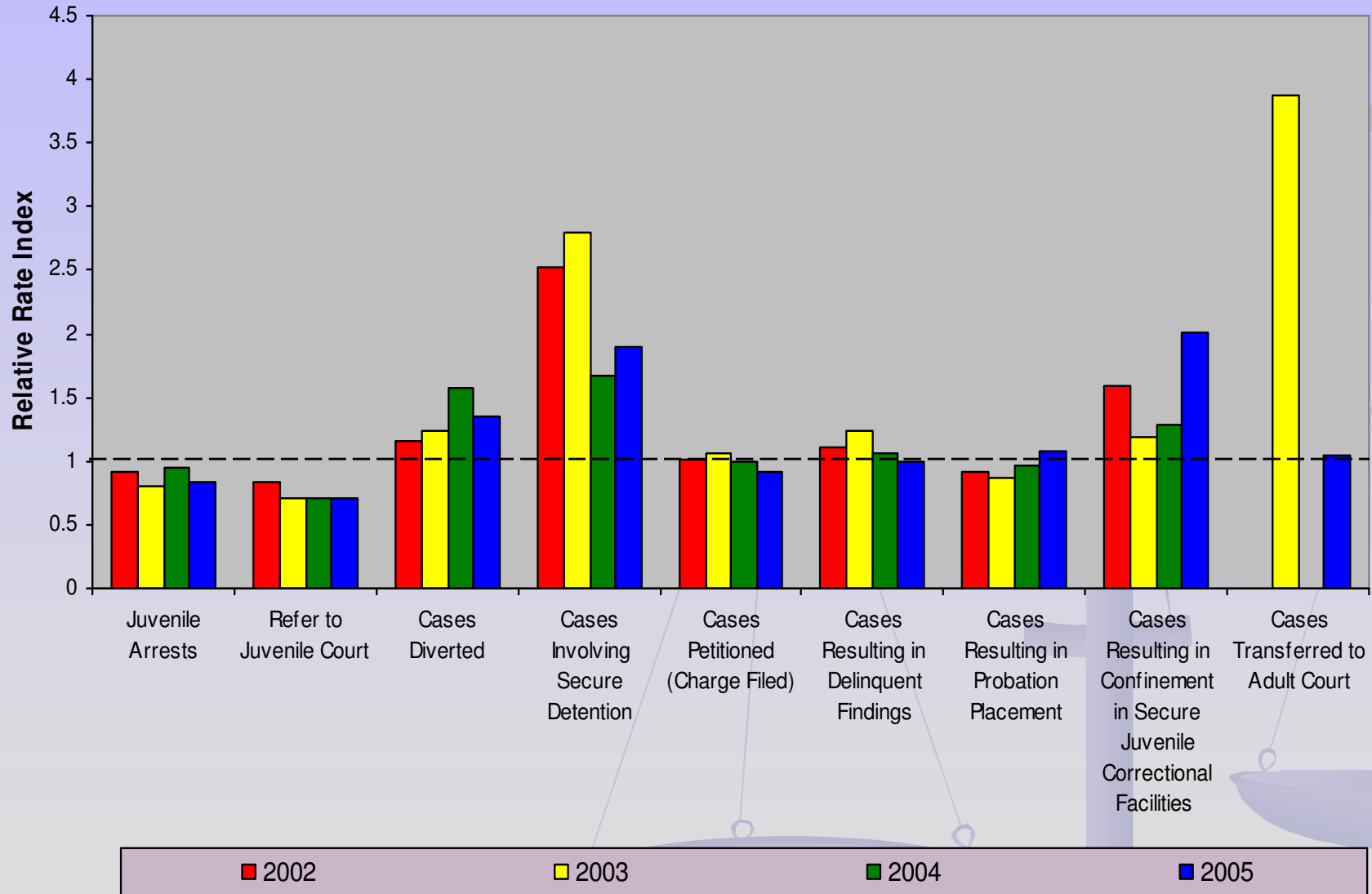
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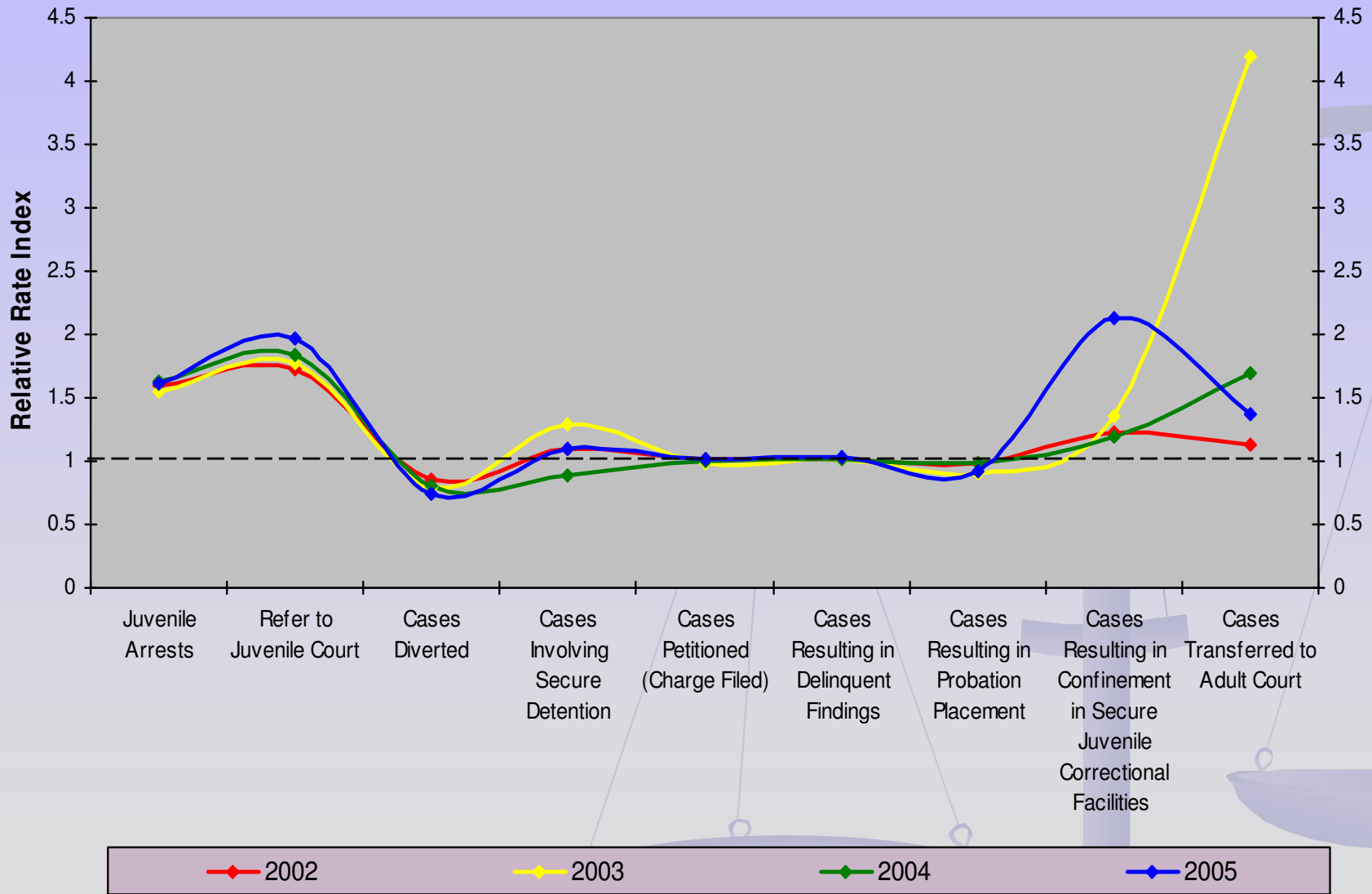
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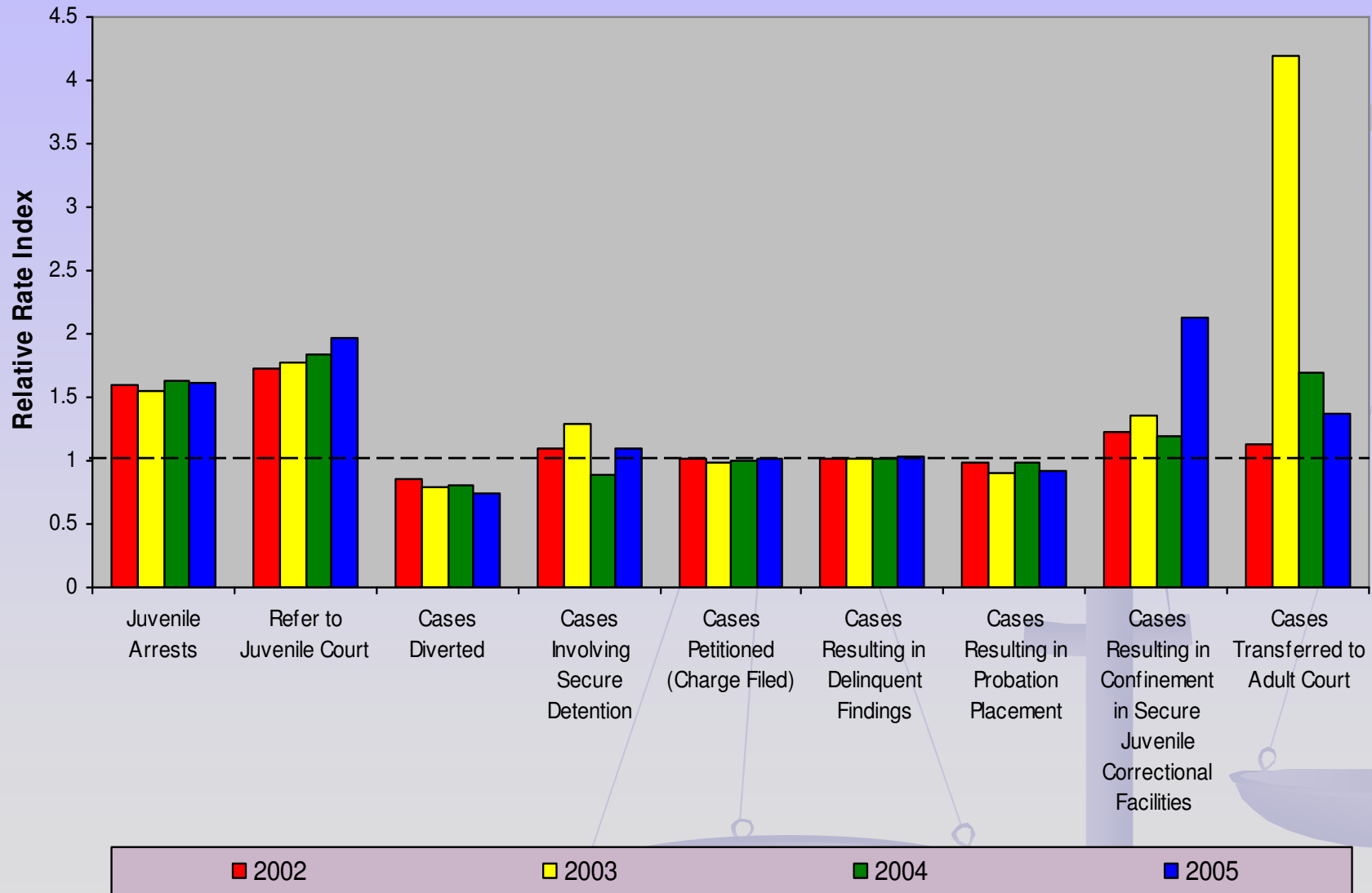
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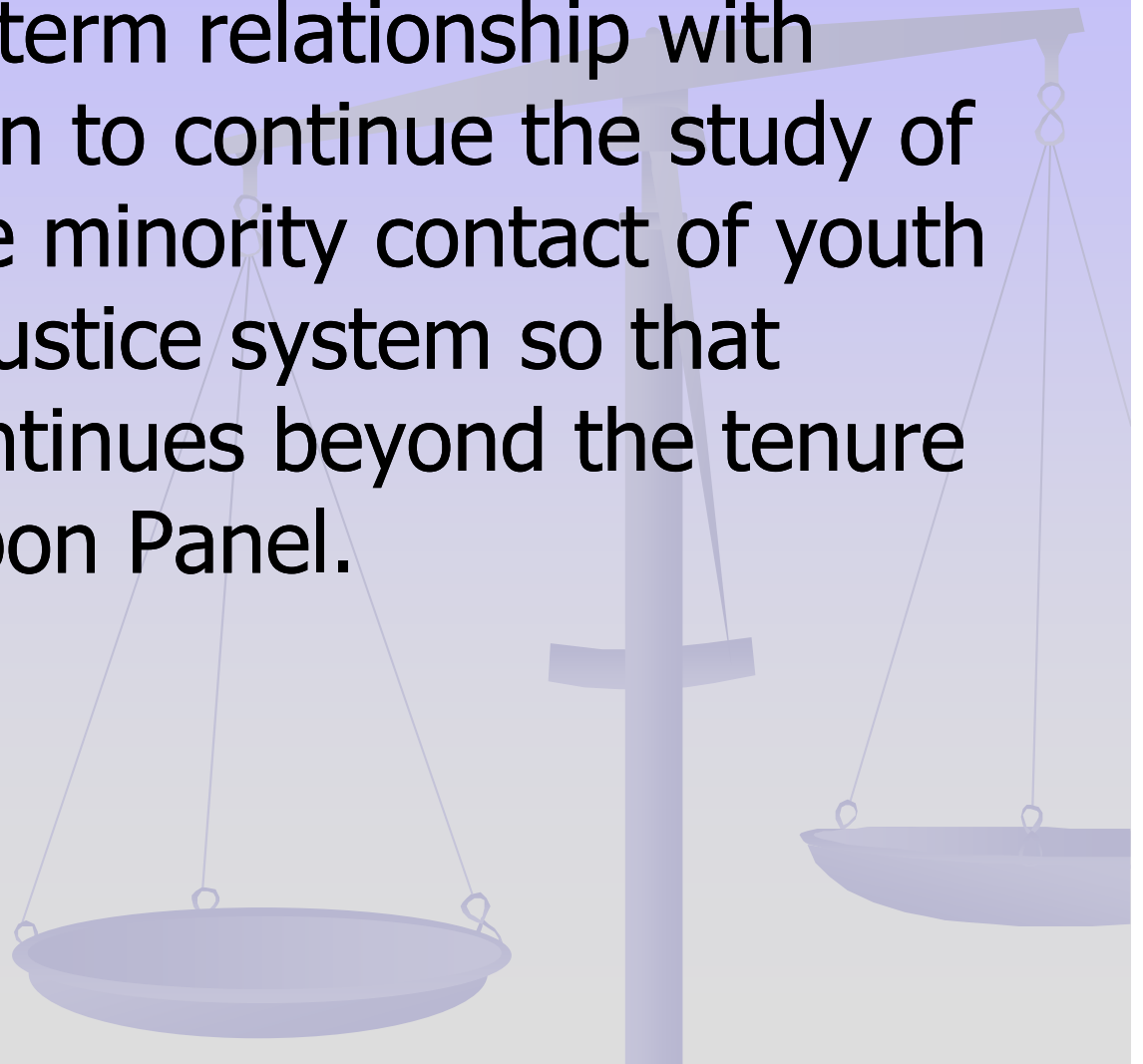


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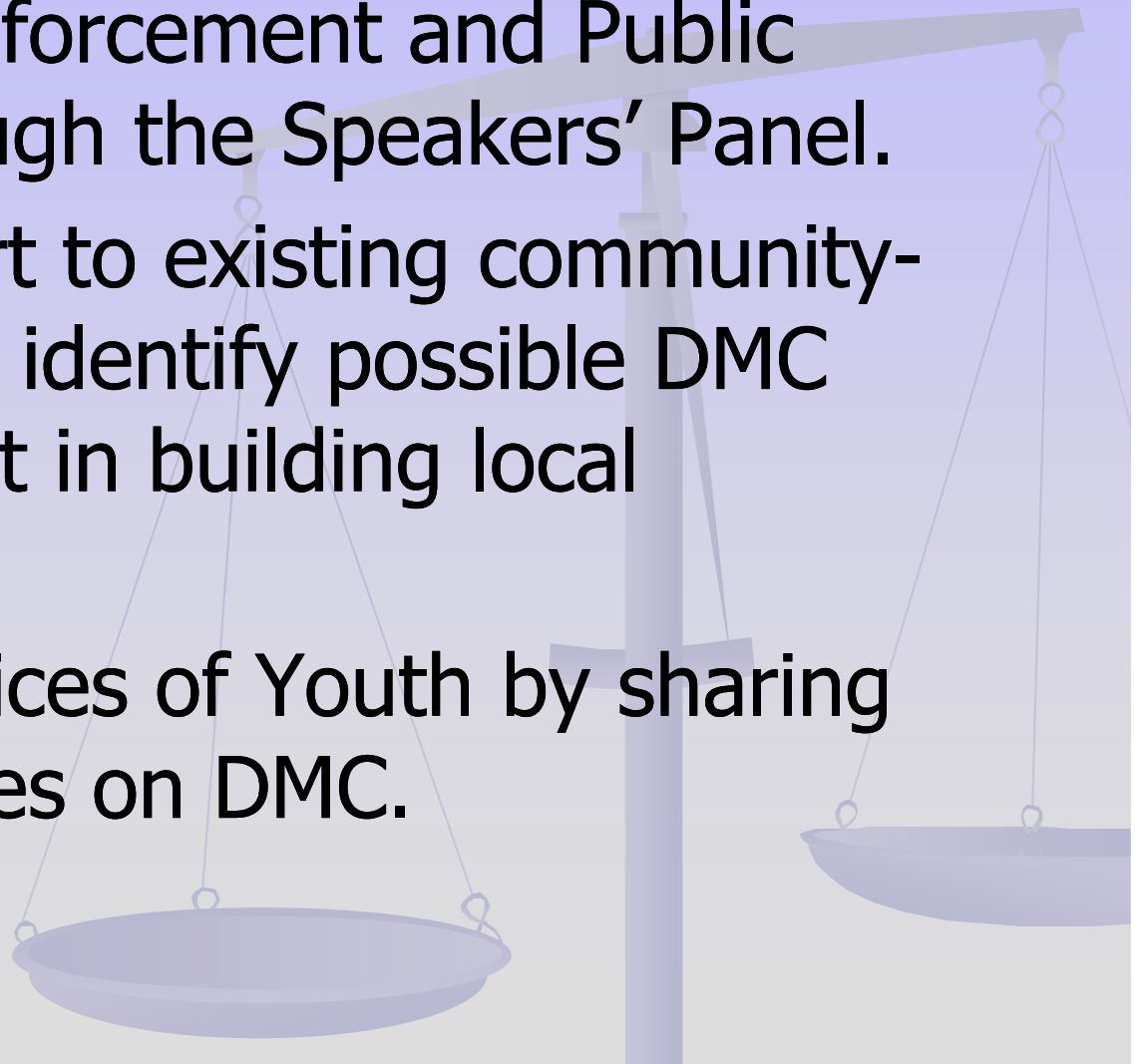
Collaboration

- Develop a long-term relationship with Higher Education to continue the study of disproportionate minority contact of youth in the juvenile justice system so that examination continues beyond the tenure of the Blue Ribbon Panel.

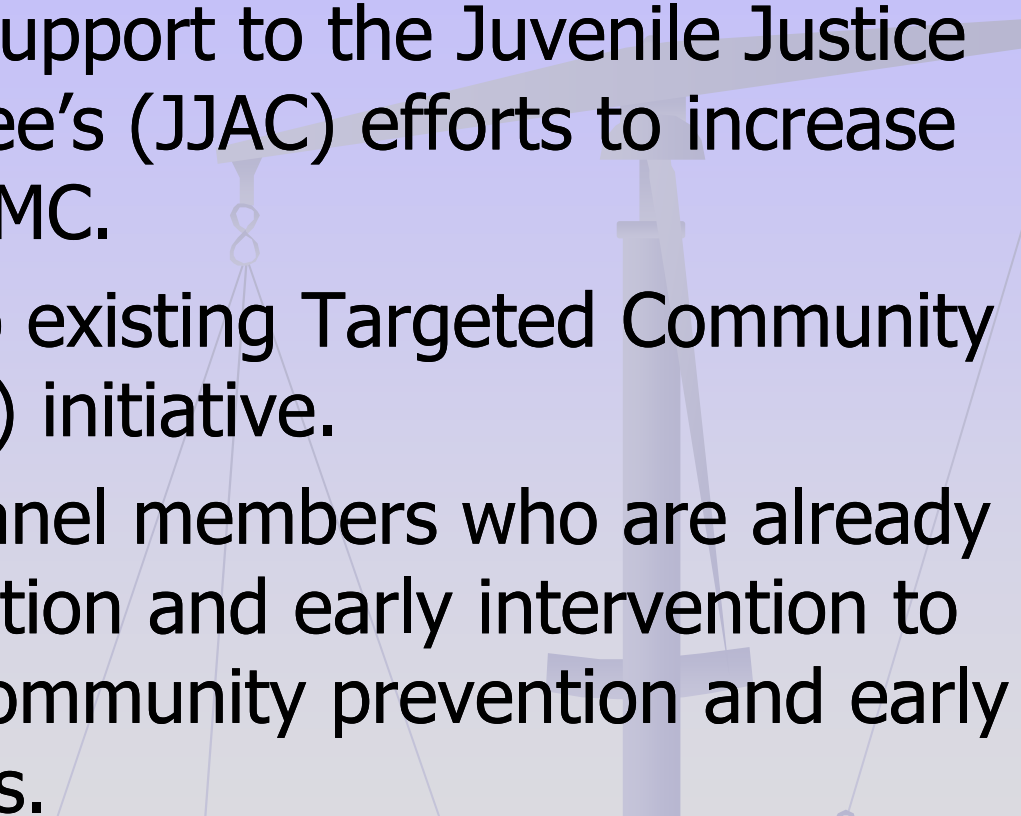


Public Awareness and Education

- Educate Law Enforcement and Public Defenders through the Speakers' Panel.
- Increase support to existing community-based efforts to identify possible DMC issues and assist in building local solutions.
- Increase the voices of Youth by sharing their perspectives on DMC.



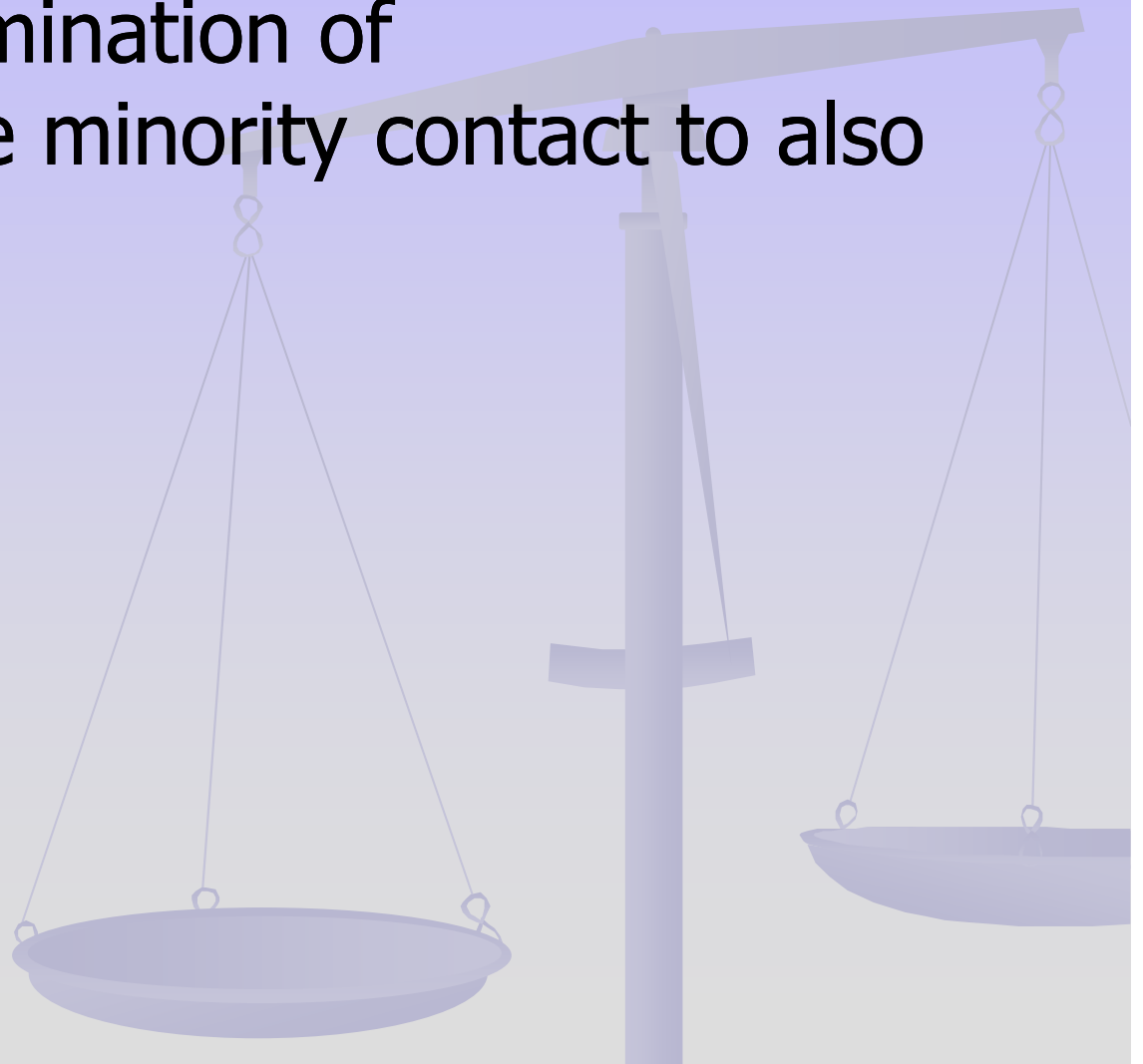
Prevention and Early Intervention

- Provide targeted support to the Juvenile Justice Advisory Committee's (JJAC) efforts to increase an emphasis on DMC.
 - Provide support to existing Targeted Community Action Plan (TCAP) initiative.
 - Use the current Panel members who are already involved in prevention and early intervention to collaborate with community prevention and early intervention efforts.
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Data and Trends

Identification

- Extend the examination of disproportionate minority contact to also include gender.



Research and Evaluation



- Technical Assistance: Established a pilot technical assistance project with Las Cruces (Third Judicial District) to support local identification, assessment and intervention strategies. The goal is to have the community members describe the lessons learned and to share understanding and strategies with other communities interested in impacting DMC.

Training and Curriculum Development

- Enhance cultural competence among law enforcement officers working with youth.

