



*You're Invited to Participate in*

# **Understanding Disproportionate Minority Contact in the State Juvenile Justice System**

*A Half-day Workshop for DCJS-funded Juvenile Justice Projects*

**Friday, June 24, 2011**

**9:00 am – 12:00 Noon**

**Center for Court Innovation**

520 8th Avenue, 18th Floor\*

New York, NY 10018

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Although Disproportionate Minority Contact (DMC) is a core requirement of the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act, many systems stakeholders are confused as to what can be done to reduce the problem. DCJS has made a commitment to work at the state and local levels to develop strategies designed to reduce DMC, but we need your help.

Recognizing the value and importance of your work, you are encouraged to join in this effort to bring together representatives of NYC-based initiatives, supported by DCJS, to discuss the overrepresentation and disparate treatment of racial and ethnic minorities in the juvenile justice system.

The primary goal of the workshop is to increase participants' awareness and understanding of DMC, factors that may be contributing to it, and practical considerations for juvenile justice program implementation. Ideally, individuals who are directly involved in service delivery, as well as those responsible for planning, supervision and evaluation of funded projects will be in attendance.

*If you would like to attend this free workshop, please complete the attached registration form no later than Monday, June 20.*

Contact Courtney Ramirez, *Statewide DMC Coordinator*  
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\*The training will take place in the North Conference Room.