



Council of Accountability Court Judges

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Data Driven Award

The Council of Accountability Court Judges (CACJ) seeks submissions for its first annual Data Driven Award. Why should a court consider this award? This award recognizes the winning program with a special presentation at the annual training conference in September along with a supplemental grant award (up to \$15,000) to be used for a program evaluation!

Award submissions must consist of a 3-5-page narrative (double-spaced preferred) that fully describes and/or answers the following questions:

1. What is your accountability court's data collection process including those individuals and their roles and their responsibilities?
2. How does your court fully utilize the state-funded case management system?
3. Does your court analyze its data and shares the results with team members and stakeholders? If so, describe your process for these analyses and sharing activities.
4. Has sharing your data analysis generated local support for the accountability court? If so, please note any increased fiscal support.
5. How does the court's collected data impact the implementation of evidence-based practices?
6. What program or policy modifications have been made as the result of collected data and analysis?

Eligibility Criteria

1. Submission must be complete and address all requirements including a 3-5-page narrative signed by the presiding judge.
2. Must be a CACJ certified and/or state funded accountability court program.
3. No substantive errors within the quarterly data submissions transmitted to CACJ.
4. Fully utilizing the state-funded case management system for data collection.
5. Compliant with state fiscal year grant special conditions (timely submissions of sub-grant expenditure requests, etc.).
6. No significant history of fiscal de-obligations.

Submission Scoring

CACJ's Metrics and Measure Subcommittee will review completed submissions using a scoring rubric generated by the eligibility criteria. The final candidates will be shared with the Nominations Committee and a winner will be determined based on the highest score on the rubric.

About the Awards Ceremony

The winner of the Data Driven Award will be recognized at the state's accountability court programs at the 2020 CACJ Virtual Training Conference. Additionally, the winner will receive up to a \$15,000 supplemental grant award to be used for a program evaluation in partnership with a university or research institution. The winner will be required to submit a sub-grant adjustment request (SAR) to the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council that will include a proposal and/or contract for the comprehensive program evaluation. The winner must also submit a final copy of the evaluation to CACJ and may be asked to share its lessons learned in a CACJ newsletter.

Please submit your narrative to Rachel Gage, Certification and Special Projects Officer, at Rachel.Gage@georgiacourts.gov by **Friday, August 14th**.