

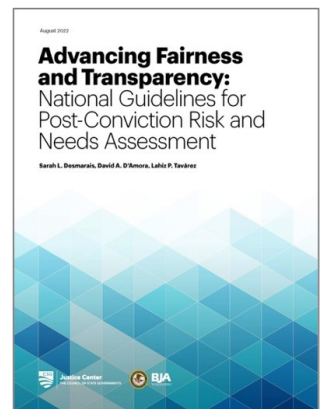
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# Technical Assistance Opportunity to Improve Post-Conviction Risk and Needs Assessment

## National Guidelines for Post-Conviction Risk and Needs Assessment

[\*Advancing Fairness and Transparency: National Guidelines for Post-Conviction Risk and Needs Assessment\*](#) is a new resource that provides criminal justice agencies with the clear, concrete guidance they need to prioritize accuracy, fairness, transparency, and effective communication and use of risk and needs assessment.

Through this project, in partnership with the U.S. Department of Justice's Office of Justice Programs' Bureau of Justice Assistance and with collaboration from the Correctional Leaders Association and the American Probation and Parole Association, The Council of State Governments (CSG) Justice Center will provide technical assistance (TA) to selected sites for up to one year to help them adopt the national guidelines. TA will be tailored specifically to participating sites, with three levels of TA available.



## Technical Assistance Opportunities

State, local, and Tribal jurisdictions will be able to request Level 1 TA on an ongoing basis through 2024. A full application process is required to receive Level 2 or Level 3 TA. Two rounds of applications will be available, one starting in March 2023 and another in early 2024. Up to **16 different sites** will be selected for Level 2 or Level 3 TA throughout the two-year grant period. The [application](#) will be open for at least a four-week period with TA anticipated to begin in June of each year.

### Who can apply?

A state, local, or Tribal jurisdiction responsible for the administration of post-conviction risk and needs assessment of adults in their community. County supervision agencies, or multiple county supervision agencies applying together, will also be considered.

### When are applications due?

All [applications](#) for the first round are due by 11:59 p.m. ET on April 30, 2023. For assistance or questions, please contact Lahiz Tavárez at [ltavarez@csg.org](mailto:ltavarez@csg.org).

## Three Levels of Technical Assistance

	TA Design	TA Services	Agency Commitment
<b>Level 1:</b> <b>Low-Intensity TA</b>	<b>Number of Sites:</b> Unlimited <b>Length of TA:</b> Less than 3 months <b>Site Visits:</b> None	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• One-time requests</li> <li>• Resources</li> <li>• Peer connections</li> <li>• Consultations</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Completes self-assessment tool</li> <li>• Commits to implementing guidelines</li> <li>• Signs up for ongoing TA resources and opportunities</li> </ul>
<b>Level 2:</b> <b>Moderate-Intensity TA</b>	<b>Number of Sites:</b> Up to 6 sites per round of applications <b>Length of TA:</b> Up to 1 year <b>Site Visits:</b> None	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Level 1 services</li> <li>• Virtual kick-off event</li> <li>• Monthly TA calls</li> <li>• Strategy development</li> <li>• Policy and procedure review</li> <li>• Implementation progress tracking</li> <li>• External stakeholder messaging and meetings</li> <li>• Peer learning community of practice</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Level 1 commitments</li> <li>• Completes self-assessment tool at 6-, 12-, and 18-month intervals</li> <li>• Joins monthly TA calls</li> <li>• Shares policy and procedure</li> <li>• Examines racial equity</li> <li>• Participates in peer learning community of practice</li> </ul>
<b>Level 3:</b> <b>High-Intensity TA</b>	<b>Number of Sites:</b> Up to 2 sites per round of applications <b>Length of TA:</b> Up to 1 year <b>Site Visits:</b> Up to 3 on-site visits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Level 1 and 2 services</li> <li>• On-site assessment of quality and fidelity practices</li> <li>• On-site and/or virtual focus groups, trainings, and/or meetings</li> <li>• Review of agency data</li> <li>• Implementation assistance</li> <li>• Meeting co-facilitation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Level 1 and 2 commitments</li> <li>• Shares aggregate data</li> <li>• Supports on-site activities</li> </ul>

### How can I learn more?

[Access a suite of resources](#) that introduce the national guidelines; are tailored to different audiences; and explain how states and local jurisdictions can apply for TA, submit requests for assistance, or take the self-assessment.



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