Campaign for Criminal Justice Modernization

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Host: Jeffrey L. Sedgwick, JRSA Executive Director

Guest: Jane Wiseman, Ash Center for Excellence Governance and Innovation - Harvard University
Challenges

• *Federal justice statistics investment is insufficient and falling behind*

• *Delays hinder data collection, analysis, and publishing at BJS*

• *BJS publishing and dissemination have not changed in over a decade*

Consequences

• *Much data is simply not collected, for a variety of reasons*

• *While it is challenging to connect data across silos, such connections could generate significant insight.*

• *Community-level insights would be possible with more and better data.*
Recommendation #1: Establish an accurate baseline of facts about the criminal justice system, and envision a 21st century system

Recommendation #2: Radically increase accountability of the justice system through data Transparency

Recommendation #3: Modernize the production and dissemination of criminal justice statistics

Recommendation #4: Improve the integrity of data used for decision-making, research, and policy

Recommendation #5: Make criminal justice data more actionable, by linking data for greater insight, and by building capacity to turn insight into action

Recommendation #6: Harness modern technology to equip decision-makers with more timely and accurate information
Questions?