



2023 STATE COUNCIL REPORT

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HOW STATE COUNCILS SUPPORT COMPACT IMPLEMENTATION

The Interstate Compact for Juveniles, Article IX requires all states to create a state council for Interstate Juvenile Supervision.

Successful implementation of the Compact relies on support from all stakeholders. That's why the Compact requires that state councils have at least one member from every branch of government, a victims group, and the Compact Office.

It's the duty of every branch of government to support and implement the Compact, which is law in every state, Washington D.C., and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

What do State Councils Do?

The function of a state council may include, but is not limited to, appointing Compact Administrators and Commissioners, and "development of policy concerning operations and procedures of the compact within that state."

The ICJ Office should look to its State Council for support implementing the Compact across all branches of government.



TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROVIDED IN 2023

The Compliance Committee provided technical assistance to 2 states without state councils. One of those states now has a fully functioning state council.

Commissioners may request technical assistance related to state councils.

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State Council Snapshots & Comparisons

70

Meetings conducted in 2023, compared to 51 in 2022

25

States with at least 1 required member vacancy, compared to 23 in 2022

42

States with at least 1 meeting in 2023, compared to 37 in 2022

2

States reporting no state council, compared to 3 in 2022



STATE SPOTLIGHT: MARYLAND

“The State Council members continue to assist enhancing ICJ visibility with stakeholders through Maryland.

The members of the council recommended establishing and developing more training opportunities for Field Staff and Court Personnel.”

- Sherry Jones

WHAT STATES ARE SAYING

“We can count on the assistance of these players in the event we come across issues with ICJ business.”

- Pat Pendergast,
Alabama

“The council has provided updated information on legislative and judicial changes that effect the way our youth travel back and forth within the Compact.”

- Brooke Montelongo, Colorado

Benefits include, “Establishing strong relationships with our juvenile justice partners who act as resources for the ICJ statewide”

- Abbie Christian, Nebraska



STATE COUNCIL SHOUT-OUT: WISCONSIN

Wisconsin reported a fully-formed a state council and held it's first meeting since 2016. Congratulations, Wisconsin!

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