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2011 COPS Conference
Lori Moriarty, Vice President
August 1st, 2011
Washington, DC

National DEC

- The National Alliance for Drug Endangered Children (National DEC) provides training and technical assistance to state DEC alliances and to all those in the field and in the community who assist and care for drug endangered children.
- National DEC is primarily funded by the Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Office and the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA)



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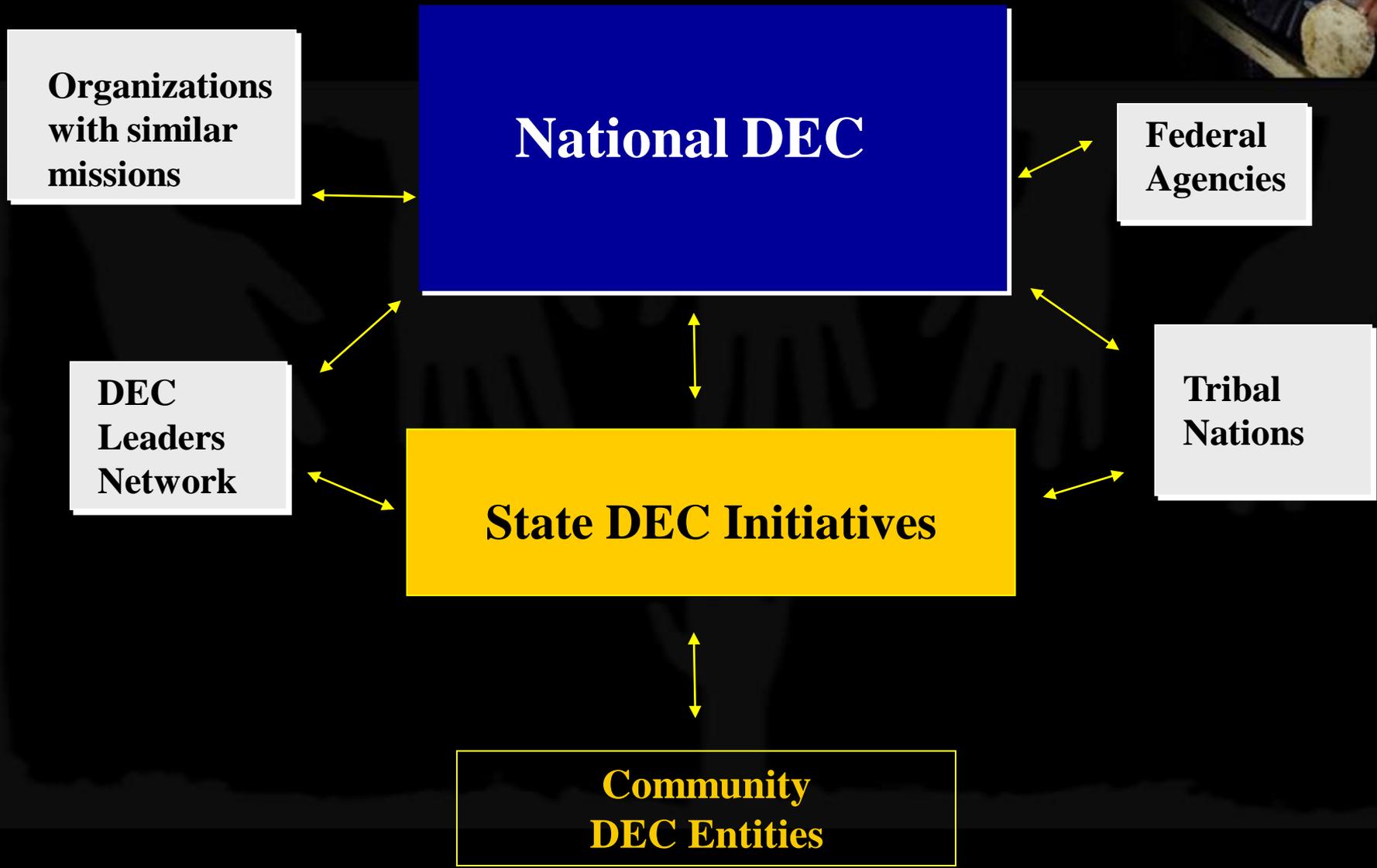
- What is National DEC?
 - State Alliances
 - DEC Leader Network
 - Resource Center
 - Training and Technical Assistance
 - National Conference

National DEC

- Our Goals:
 - Raise awareness
 - Provide support, information, resources
 - Facilitate services
 - Prevent DEC situations
 - Encourage early intervention
 - Network experts and professionals



National DEC Partnerships



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Being part of the DEC movement:

- Makes you part of the larger solution
- Connects you to other professionals working on the same challenges
- Helps you advocate more effectively on behalf of children and families

National DEC Partnerships



Advocates throughout the country have worked hard to create effective collaborations at the national, state, and local levels and to create a national movement.

Children at Risk



2.1 million children
in the United States live in homes
where a **parent uses** illicit drugs

SOURCE: Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration,
Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2007.

Children at Risk



9.2 million children
in the United States live in homes
where a **parent or other adult uses**
illicit drugs

SOURCE: National Center on Addiction and
Substance Abuse at Columbia University (CASA), 2005

Children at Risk



More than **35 million**
individuals used illicit
drugs or abused prescription
drugs in 2007

SOURCE: Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2007.

Colorado's Introduction to D.E.C.



DRUG ENDANGERED CHILDREN



April 4, 2002:
Meet Brandon

NMTF and ACSS Measured Outcomes – Colorado DEC



Data Collected: January 4, 2005 – December 29, 2005

88 DEC Forms

- 137 kids identified
- 50% had DSS history
- 12% had open DSS case

Children at Risk



- On daughter's 10th birthday, daughter told teacher and school resource officer about drugs in her house.
- SRO advised taskforce of the information
- Task force executed search warrant and discovered meth lab
- Father's first phone call from jail



Courtesy of Eric Nation, Jasper Sheriff's office, CT.



Children at Risk



Dad: Are you there? **Daughter: Yeah**

Dad: How does it feel to know you just sent your dad to prison or a long time? **Daughter: Sorry**

Dad: No you're not f@*#ing sorry! You had no business saying this shit to anybody! All you had to do is say something to me or grandma! What f@*#ing business did you have going running your f@*#ing mouth at school? **Daughter: Sorry**

Dad: No! No sorry my ass! This is no sorry to it! Answer my question! Why did you go run your f@*#ing mouth at school?

Daughter: I had no business

Dad: No! You didn't have no business! But, thanks to you, I will be spending a lot of time in prison! I'm done talking to you! Bye!

Children at Risk



- Daughter arrested years later for theft 2nd.
- Daughter has been in and out of the criminal justice system on numerous occasions



Drug Endangered Children Tracking System (DECSYS)



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DECSYS Tracking System



- Automated System for notification and summation of DEC related activity.
- Web Based Application:
www.coloradodecsys.org
- Implemented using open source technology with a special focus on user friendly interface.
- Colorado DEC provides follow up and user support for all DECSYS participating agencies.

DECSYS Objectives



1. Enable seamless communication between agencies involved in the lives of Drug Endangered Children.
2. Quantify the issue to help DEC professionals and communities better understand and engage in collaborative solutions.

Why Automate?

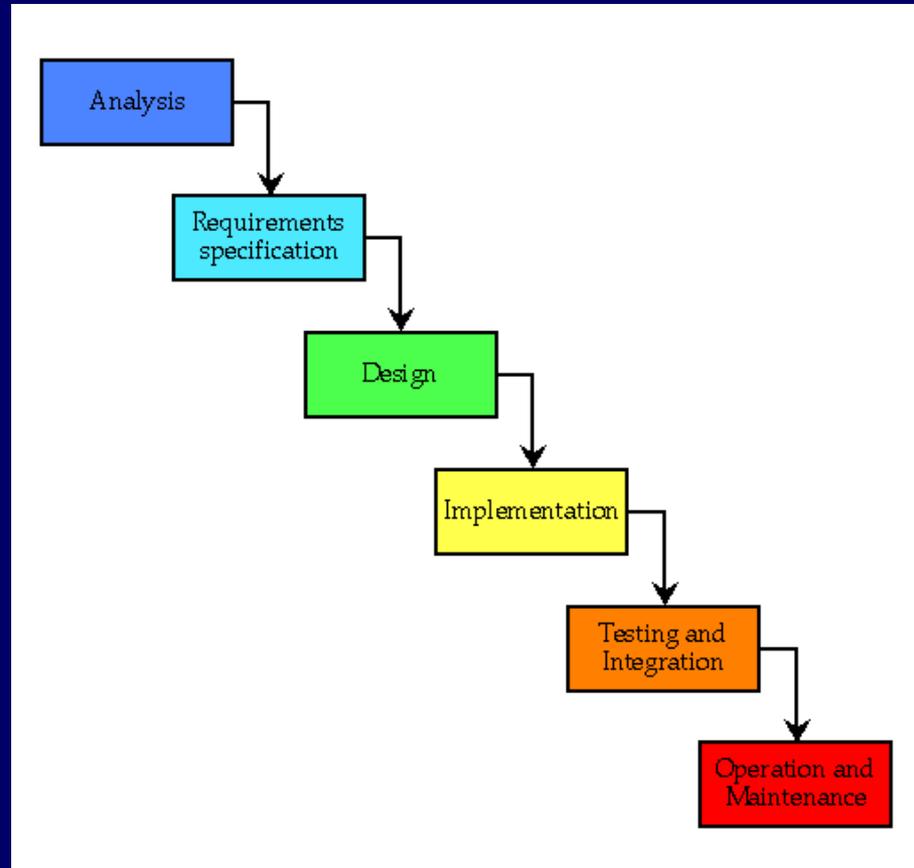


- Automation strengthens collaboration by providing a predictable and reliable method of communication.
- Automation offers built in accountability.
- Automation allows for the easy collection of historical information.

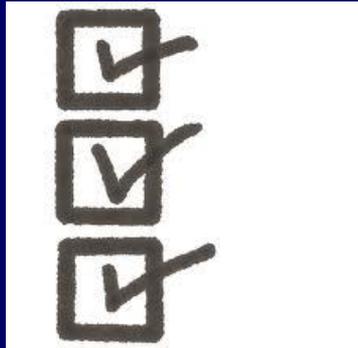
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Requirement Specifications



Project Limitations – Budget, Resources

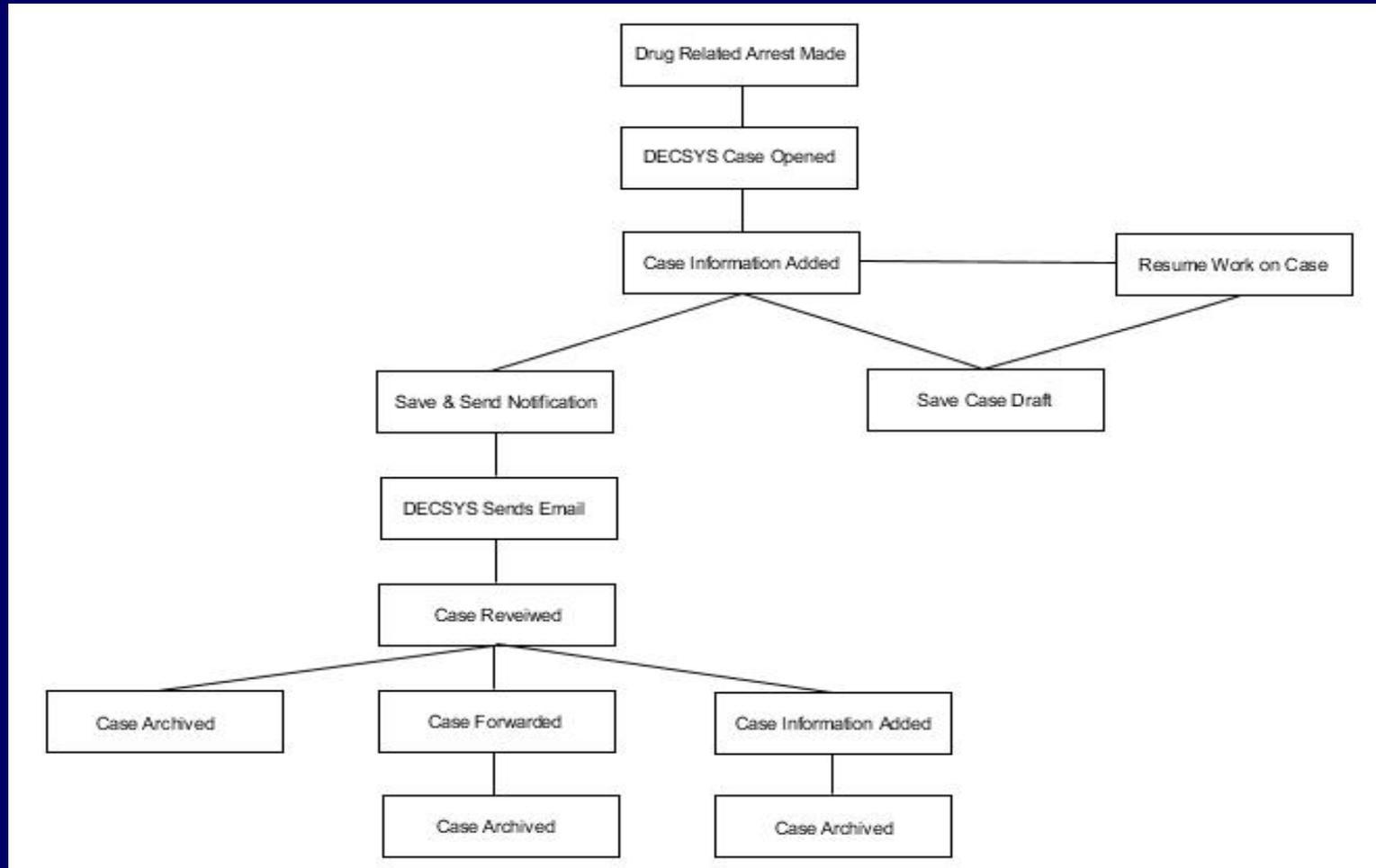
Process Definition

User Requirement Gathering

Defining the DECSYS Process



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User Requirements



- User Friendly
- Less than 5 minutes to input information
- Facilitate Immediate Notification
- Archive off old information
- Ability to share archived information
- Technology that can be taken to mobile devices in the future
- No impact to prosecution's case

Law Enforcement Dashboard



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DECSYS DASHBOARD -

[Add a Case >>](#)

My Recent Cases

Case Number	Suspect	Agency	Entered On	Status	Action
25TEST2010	Johnson, Frank A	Western Colorado Drug Task Force	01/24/2010	initiated	Edit
test-08	Goldberg, Simon	Western Colorado Drug Task Force	01/22/2010	draft	Confirm

Cases In Progress and Archived

The following cases have been acted upon by Child Welfare personnel. Click "View" to see details, including actions taken and case narrative.

Case Number	Suspect	Actions Taken (# Children)	Entered On	Status	Action
5422-2010	Robertsen, Tyler V. Robertsen, Charlene	Referred to Current Open Case (2) Assigned for New Investigation (1)	01/24/2010	archived	View
5144-2010	Sanders, Julie		01/24/2010	in progress	View

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Add A Case- General Information



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General Information > Add Suspects > Add Children > Add Drug Information > Confirm

GENERAL INFORMATION

Case Number:

Arrest Date and Time: 2010 / January / 24 08 : 10 PM

Agency: -- Select an agency --

Officer: -- Select an officer --

Child Presence: Select Child Presence

Location Type: Select Location Type

Address:

City:

Zip:

County: Select County

Child Welfare Initial Involvement: Select Child Welfare Initial Involvement

Narrative:

Next Step >> Add Suspects

Done

Add A Case- Drug Information



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Info Changes saved.

General Information > Add Suspects > Add Children > **Add Drug Information** > Confirm

ADD DRUG INFORMATION TO CASE

Drug Type	Quantity	Unit Type	Highest Charge
Select Drug ▾	<input type="text"/>	Select Quantity Type ▾	Select Highest Charge ▾
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[Next Step >> Confirm](#)

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Child Welfare Dashboard



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DECSYS DASHBOARD - MESA COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

New Cases

The following cases have been initiated by Law Enforcement but have not yet been acted upon by a Child Welfare Agency user. When a case record is edited, it will be placed in an "In Progress" state and will appear in the Recent Cases table below.

Case Number	Officer	Suspect	Agency	Entered On	Status	Action
25TEST2010	Other	Johnson, Frank A	Western Colorado Drug Task Force	01/24/2010	initiated	Review
test-07	Other	Johnston, Dennis G Johnston, Dennis M	Western Colorado Drug Task Force	01/22/2010	initiated	Review

Recent Cases

Case Number	Officer	Suspect	Actions Taken (# Children)	Entered On	Status	Action
5144-2010	Other	Sanders, Julie		01/24/2010	in progress	Review
5312-2010	Other	McDonald, Ronald	Referred to Current Open Case (1)	01/15/2010	in progress	Review

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Child Welfare- Child Detail



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CASE 5144-2010 [Return to Dashboard](#)

Child Detail

Child Name	DOB	Closest Suspect	Relationship	History	Agency Action
Add a Child to this Case					

Case Detail

Case Number: 5144-2010

Arrest Date/Time: 01/24/2010 20:10PM

Agency: Western Colorado Drug Task Force

Child Presence: Unknown

Location Type: Grocery/Supermarket

Address: 456 Main St.

County: Mesa County

CW Initial Involvement: No Involvement

Narrative:

Suspects

Sanders, Julie 789 Corona Ave.
 DOB: 1979/05/04 Denver, CO 80211
 Female Mesa County

Drugs

Crack Cocaine 2 Grams Distribution

Child Welfare Information

Child Welfare Narrative:

[Edit Narrative](#)

Determine Response

When you determine your response, you will be able to indicate the Action Taken for each child.

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Child Welfare- Determine Response



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DETERMINE RESPONSE

Please indicate the appropriate response taken for each child, including their existing status and the action taken by your agency. When a response is provided for each child, you will have the option to CLOSE this case on the Case Details page.

Child Details	Child Welfare History	Action
Robertsen, Andrea DOB: 2000/10/20 Closest Related Suspect: Robertsen, Kyler V. Relationship: Child of Suspect 890 Hardy St. Mesa County, Colorado 81501	Select Best Option	Select Action
Robertsen, Andrew DOB: 2004/08/19 Closest Related Suspect: Robertsen, Kyler V. Relationship: Child of Suspect 890 Hardy St. Mesa County, Colorado 81501	Select Best Option	Select Action
Jensen, Muriel Female, DOB: Closest Related Suspect: Robertsen, Charlene Relationship: Other Relative of Suspect 789 Hardy St Grand Junction, Colorado 81501 Mesa County	Select Best Option	Select Action

Save and Close Case Save Change But Keep Case Open

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DECSYS Statistics (as of 07/22/11)



Months System Live

17

Counties Participating

6

Cases Entered

1271

DECSYS Statistics (as of 07/22/11)



Children Associated with Cases

754

Children Present on Scene

257

Previously Unidentified Children

497

DECSYS Statistics (as of 07/22/11)



Children Assigned New Investigations	202
Children with Open Investigations Cases	48
Children Forwarded to Another County	164

DECSYS Impact

- Children
- Professionals
- Community



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DECSYS and Community Policing

- Community Oriented Policing
 - Shared Problem Identification & Shared Interventions
 - Community Partnerships
 - Diagnostic Approach to Problems
 - SARA Model





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DECSYS and Community Policing

- Broken Window Theory with Drug Endangered Children
 - Analogy



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The National Alliance for Drug Endangered Children (National DEC) exists to help you make a difference in the lives of children who are in danger because their parents or caregivers are manufacturing, dealing or using drugs. We work to create and sustain multi-disciplinary DEC alliances around the country. We support state DEC alliances in transforming their local communities, by:

- Connecting** practitioners across disciplines to increase expertise and enhance their work with children and families.
- Educating** the public about this issue and ways to help.
- Advocating** for funding and services to assist drug endangered children.

We encourage you to explore the National Resource Center. You can learn about best practices and recent research, discover training opportunities, and pose questions to our national experts.

We are united in the commitment to support, rescue, shelter, and defend children who are being harmed by drugs.

What's New!

Registration for the 2011 conference is now open!

Click [HERE](#) to register today!

Join the Federal DEC Task for a
DEC Awareness Event

WHEN:
Tuesday, May 31, 2011

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2011 National Alliance for Drug Endangered Children Conference

Putting the Pieces Together for Children and Families: The National Conference on Substance Abuse, Child Welfare, and the Courts



September 14 - 16, 2011
Gaylord National Resort and Convention
Center on the Potomac
National Harbor, MD



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Core DEC Training Program



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