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Saint Louis University *Transformative Justice Initiative*

Mission: The Transformative Justice Initiative (TJI) serves the community to improve system health and safety, and support prevention of incarceration and successful transitions from criminal justice settings.

Occupational Therapy Transition and Integration Services (OTTIS)

The OTTIS reentry program provides pre and post release occupational therapy services to individuals transitioning from institutional justice-related settings to the community.

- Community occupational therapists work with clients in the St. Louis city jails, prison, halfway houses, and substance use facilities. The services facilitate individuals' ability to:
 - Develop skillsets important to reentry such as vocational, time management, educational, and communication skills
 - Understand, establish, and maintain a relationship with community partners applicable to personal goals



Workplace Health

TJI works with correctional staff and related agencies to promote workplace health.

- Informed by the Total Worker Health approach, a National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health strategy, TJI has worked with the Missouri Dept. of Correction's Transition Center of St. Louis, City of St. Louis Dept. of Corrections, and various rural jails to perform needs assessment to develop organizational, departmental, and individual interventions, and program evaluation.

JLWOP Services: Via an interactive and telehealth process, OTTIS also prepares individuals sentenced as juveniles for life without the option of parole - JLWOPS, now eligible to petition for parole for transition to the community.

CRANS (Community Resource and Needs Screen) Consultation Project

The CRANS team is a transdisciplinary team that works to identify the needs of justice-involved individuals during the booking phase of incarceration. Through the following:

- Conducting a screening of needs with the individual focused on identifying social determinants of health after their initial arrest
- Advocating within court on behalf of the individual to assist the judge or court in better understanding the individual's specific circumstances/needs to support a judge's decision in bond allocation
- Linking individuals to applicable community partners in collaboration with court administrators



Continuing Education: TJI provides educational trainings/consultation to those who serve justice involved individuals through:

- Intensive continuing education training course for occupational therapy practitioners, educators, and students based on our work using occupational justice and public health principles
- Training volunteer community providers in the delivery of CRANS
- Guiding organizational needs assessments to inform the development of tailored programming
- Presenting at national, state, and local conferences and educational institutions to educate service providers on topics including research, provider burn out, and occupational therapy in justice-settings.

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