

Interstate Compact: Ensuring Successful Supervision through Cooperative Solutions

Interstate Compact for Adult Offender Supervision

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Presentation Objectives



Learn principles and procedures of the Interstate Compact



Share effective problem-solving strategies



Demonstrate how to improve efficiencies in the transfer process and how to measure those efficiencies



How your state's compact office is a resource and point of contact

ICAOS regulates how supervised individuals are:

- > Transferred from one state to another
- Supervised while on CompactSupervision
- Returned to a sending state when supervision is not successful



Purposes of the Compact

Promote Public Safety

Ensure Effective
Supervision &
Rehabilitation

Protect the Rights of Victims

Control/Track Movement of Supervised Individuals

Promote Successful Supervision

Positive Relationships & Family Support

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Life Stability

Resources/Programs

Means of Support & Employment

Offender

Adult who commits a criminal offense (all felonies & specific misdemeanants)

- Subject to 'supervision'; and
- Released to the community under the jurisdiction of:
 - → Courts
 - > Paroling Authorities
 - > Corrections
 - Other Criminal Justice Agencies

Supervision

2 Distinct criteria:

- Oversight exercised by a controlling authority, which includes:
 - > Courts
 - > Paroling Authorities
 - > Corrections
 - Other Criminal Justice Agencies
- Required to monitor regulations or conditions, <u>other than</u> <u>monetary</u>

Relocate

means to remain in another state for **more than 45 consecutive** days in any 12 month period. What Requirements for Transfer?

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Time Remaining on Supervision

>= 90 calendar days or an indefinite period of supervision remaining 2

Valid Plan

- Terms & conditions of supervision
- > Residence
- Employment/Means of Support

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Substantial Compliance

No initiation of revocation proceedings by Sending State

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Justification/Reason

- > Resident
- Family
- > Employment
- Military Orders
- Discretionary/Correctional Sense



Supervision standard consistent with similar offenders sentenced in the Receiving State

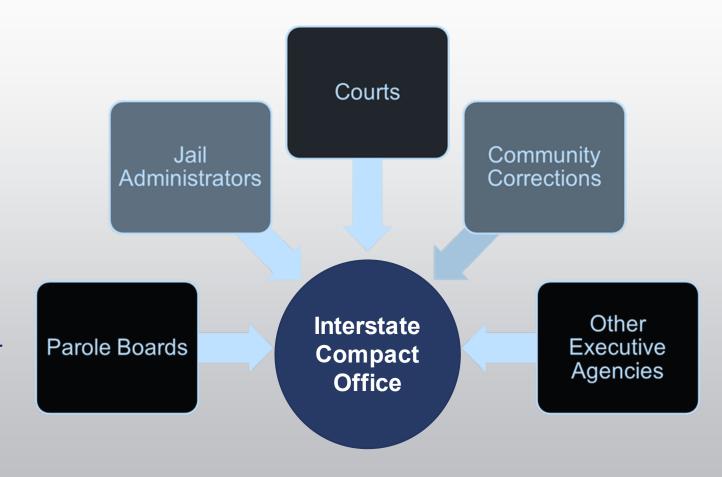


Same programs, incentives, sanctions/interventions

'Participation in the ICAOS ensures not only the controlled movement of offenders under community supervision, but also that out-of-state offenders will be given the same resources and supervision provided to similar in-state offenders including the use of incentives, corrective actions, graduated responses and other supervision techniques'

Interstate Compact Offices

- ➤ Administers the Compact
- Point of contact for case specific questions
- Conducts training
- Resolves issues with other states
- > Ensures rule compliance
- Develops & recommends instate ISC operating procedures to State Council



Collaborative Solutions

States working together

Remote Sentence: Sex Offender

- > Sex offense committed in sending state
- > Supervised individual moves to receiving state
- Charges filed for sex offenses 8 yrs after
 offense: supervised individual never arrested
- Sending state contacts receiving state in anticipation of remote sentencing
- Remotely sentenced while at residence in receiving state: convicted of misd sexual assault, sentenced to 6 years probation
- Reporting instructions are granted, and transfer gets approved
- > Probationer never left receiving state

Remote Sentence: Absconder

- Supervised individual absconds receiving state
- > Sending state issues warrant
- Individual apprehended on sending state's warrant in receiving state
- > PC established
- Sending State wants to address the violation via remote hearing
- Hearing results in extension of supervision, not revocation
- Retaking does not occur, supervision resumed

Parolee with substantial mental health needs was sentenced to parole directly from jail with virtually no re-entry planning. Family (his only viable means of support and thought to be acting in his best interest) was not aware of compact and took him to their home in a state hundreds of miles. As soon as the sending state was aware of his location, the DCA contacted the DCA in the receiving state and reporting instructions were immediately granted. Without this action, the risk that the parolee would abscond was likely increasing public safety concerns.

DCA Cooperation

Without this action, the risk that parolee would abscond was likely increasing public safety risks

Sending state received a request for return reporting instructions following a rejection due to lack of a valid plan of supervision which under the rules must be approved. A concern was raised regarding this return and elevated to the sending state DCA for review. Upon investigation, there appeared to be some unclear/conflicting ICOTS transfer documentation regarding the transferee's plan of supervision; DCAs worked together to determine where this individual needed to be confirming the plan of supervision was in fact valid, although was not documented well.

Questionable Documentation

Lessons learned by BOTH States

- Sending State needs to improve verification/documentation practices
- Receiving State needs to improve communication, review practices before jumping to automatic rejection & return

An immigrant sex offender was released from prison and immediately detained by ICE. ICE decided not to deport, resulting in his release in a state where he had no resources and was challenged with substantial language barriers to understand compact requirements. Following his release, his family picked up took him to RS hundreds of miles away. Upon approval of emergency reporting instructions, it was discovered all of his family members lived in highly restricted areas in which sex offender may not reside.

PO Applying Compact Purposes

Instead of rejection and displacement of a sex offender, receiving state PO utilized resources to best protect the public and ensure transferee is in close proximity to his support network

Developing Practices to Promote Change



- What practices does your state use to address violations?
- How do these practices fit into compact cases?
- What practices focus on successful outcomes?

Reducing Barriers to Success

Commission Initiatives

- Terminology Used
 - Replacing the term 'offender' with 'supervised individual'
- ICOTS Training Improvements
 - OnDemand Training
 - Quick Reference Guides
 - Quick Tips
 - Virtual Assistant
- Risk Factors: Analyze rules & procedures to ensure alignment w/Evidence Based Practices.
 - Supervision & retaking



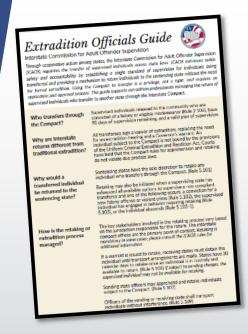
Compact Office/State Initiatives

Improve Communication

 Improve quality & quantity w/ both Internal & External Agencies

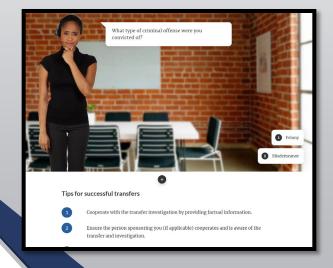
- Enhance stakeholder involvement
 - Courts/Release agencies
 - Supervising agencies
 - Victims
 - Extradition teams/jails
- Highlight Core Correctional Practices in ISC
 Training
 - Effective reinforcement,
 - Effective disapproval, and
 - Effective use of authority





> ICAOS Quick Reference Guides:

- > Courts
- > Jails
- > Transport/Extradition Teams
- > Probationer/Parolee: Work WITH individuals transferring. Understanding of the process & cooperation promotes acceptances.

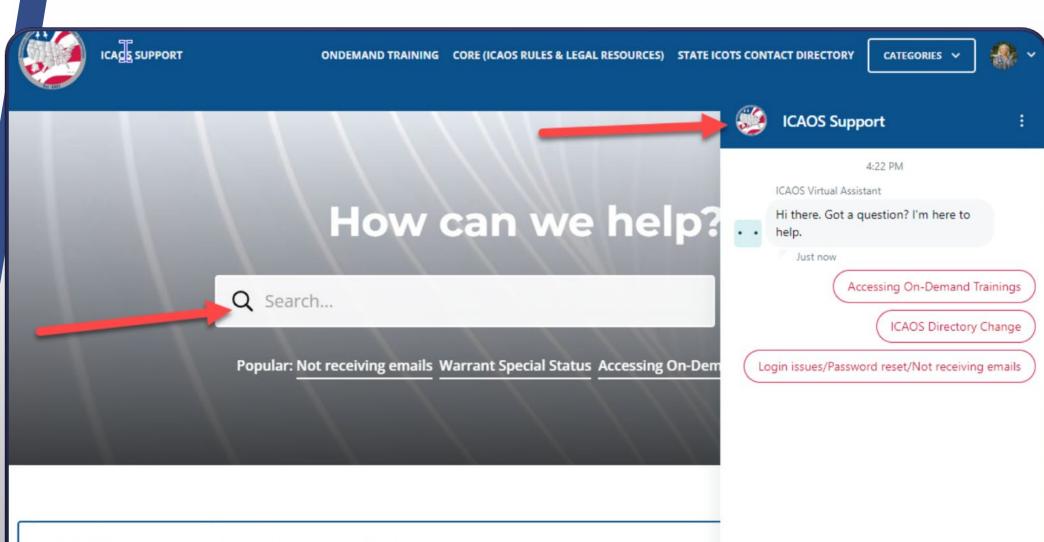


- Stakeholder Training: KeepCollaborative
 - › How can Compact assist?
 - › How can Stakeholder assist Compact?

Field Improvements

- Enhance communication & correspondence
 - When using ICOTS
 - With stakeholders involved in compact cases
 - With transferees and sponsors, particularly during the transfer process
- Improve documentation
- Learn how transferee's needs are identified
- Promote supervision success





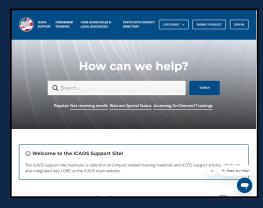
(i) Welcome to the ICAOS Support Site!

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