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MEMORANDUM

- TO: Interested Parties
- FROM: Susan W. Shaffer
- DATE: January 14, 2008

RE: December 2007 Juvenile Drug Testing Statistics and Year-End Data

Drug testing of juvenile arrestees for December 2007 revealed a decrease in the level of substance abuse detected for PCP, which was down 1% from November, to 2%. The level of substance abuse detected for marijuana increased 2% from the previous month to 58%, while cocaine and amphetamines remained the same at 2% and 1%, respectively.

The Juvenile Drug Testing Unit tested 175 respondents prior to their initial hearing in December. Fifty-eight percent (58%) of the 160 Lockup cases tested positive. Sixty percent (60%) of the 15 Community cases tested positive. The combined positive rate was 58% -- up 1% from November.

	COMMUNITY	LOCKUP	COMBINED
ALL NEGATIVE	6 (40%)	68 (42%)	74 (42%)
ANY POSITIVE	<u> 9</u> (60%)	<u>92</u> (58%)	<u>101</u> (58%)
TOTAL	15	160	175

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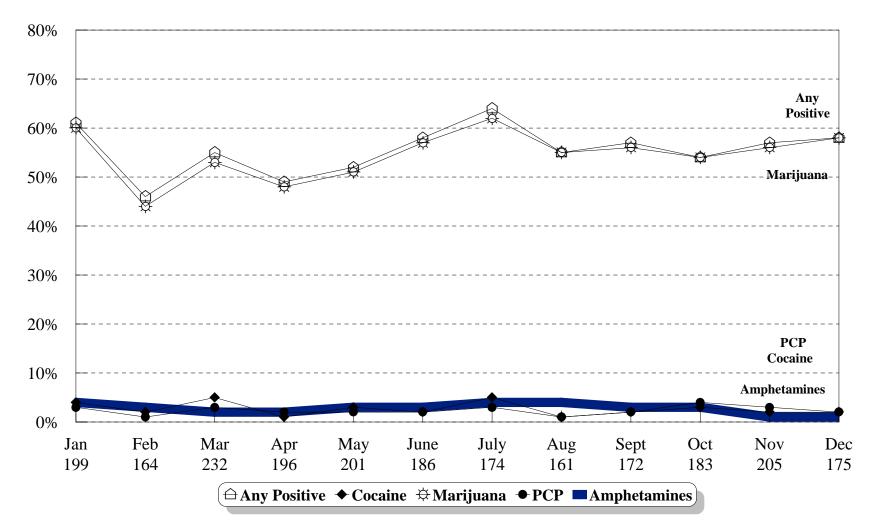
	Of the 15	Of the 160	Of the 175	Of the 101
	Community	Lockup	Combined	Positive
	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases
Multi Positive	0	7 (4%)	7 (4%)	7 (7%)
Cocaine Positive	0	3 (2%)	3 (2%)	3 (3%)
Marijuana Positive	9 (60%)	92 (58%)	101 (58%)	101 (100%)
Amphetamines Positive	0	2 (1%)	2 (1%)	2 (2%)
PCP Positive	0	3 (2%)	3 (2%)	3 (3%)

The following breakdown of age groups for both Community and Lockup cases was obtained through the Superior Court's records system and correlated with the respondent's test result information.

Age	No. of Arrestees Tested	No. Positive for Any Drug	% Positive for Any Drug	
12	4	1	25%	
13	16	4	25%	
14	26	11	42%	
15	35	20	57%	
16	47	32	68 %	
17	43	31	72%	
18-19	4	2	50%	

You may be interested in noting changes that have occurred in the detection levels of the drugs tested – cocaine, marijuana, PCP and amphetamines – over the past several years. Therefore, we have attached a table that shows year-end data from 1999 through 2007.

Drug Testing of Juvenile Respondents January 2007 - December 2007



This data reflects results of the drug test conducted prior to the juvenile's initial court hearing. The D.C. Pretrial Services Agency resumed reporting on amphetamines in August 2006.

D.C. Pretrial Services Agency

Annual Drug Test Data – Juvenile Arrestees

2007 Total Number Tested – 2,248

Drug	2007 (2,248 tests) No. and % Positive	2006 (2,379 tests) No. and % Positive	2005 (2,319 tests) No. and % Positive	2004 (2,001 tests) No. and % Positive	2003 (1,899 tests) No. and % Positive	2002 (1,896 tests) No. and % Positive	2001 (2,165 tests) No. and % Positive	2000 (2,162 tests) No. and % Positive	1999 (2,285 tests) No. and % Positive
Any Positive	1,250 (56%)	1,244 (52%)	1,182 (51%)	992 (50%)	1,009 (53%)	1,070 (56%)	1,279 (59%)	1,341 (62%)	1,479 (65%)
Cocaine	62 (3%)	82 (3%)	82 (4%)	66 (3%)	71 (4%)	105 (6%)	103 (5%)	123 (6%)	163 (7%)
Marijuana	1,224 (54%)	1,219 (51%)	1,155 (50%)	980 (49%)	965 (51%)	1,027 (54%)	1,232 (57%)	1,312 (61%)	1,452 (64%)
РСР	59 (3%)	48 (2%)	78 (3%)	37 (2%)	210 (11%)	254 (13%)	292 (13%)	212 (10%)	154 (7%)
Amphetamines	61 (3%)	14 (1%) *							

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