

Prevention

Regarding Vermont conversation:

What stands out?	Questions/wonders you have?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● That they can actually stop kids from running</li> <li>● cc</li> <li>● The fact that locked doors and windows reduced physical intervention was interesting.</li> <li>● Even without FFPSA and QRTPs Vermont has similar challenges with placement and services.</li> <li>● Regs. are purposely vague. (Interesting) Leaves room for a lot of gray area.</li> <li>● Haven't implemented Families First yet.</li> <li>● Much smaller programs</li> <li>● Like the post run interview with someone the child trusts (which might not be the facility).</li> <li>● Post run interview to find the why behind the run</li> <li>● Delayed locked doors in conjunction with stop order</li> <li>● The stop order idea was interesting, like the process that goes into that but concern about unintended impact of labeling the youth going in.</li> <li>● , even without facilities specifically designed. This is with a similar regulation and based on interpretation.</li> <li>● I like the idea that Stop Orders are based on pre-coordination between the facility and the regulator</li> <li>● Struck by the similarity of our laws and challenges such as ambiguity over legal definitions of Emergency</li> <li>● Delayed locks seem effective</li> <li>● Small programs seem to be more effective. Their entire facility seems to be the size of one cottage or unit</li> <li>● As a parent, concerned about sending kids out of states. Really hard and not</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Still need more clarity about imminent danger</li> <li>● Would like to see list of "12 big crimes" in VT (that qualify kids for locked facilities)</li> <li>● How do they pay for the very small programs?</li> <li>●</li> <li>● Clarity on what training a staff member needs to stop kids from running.</li> <li>● More about physical restraints</li> <li>●</li> <li>● I want to see the research about the impact of seclusion and restraint on children and youth and the efficacy of those interventions before we look to use those more as a solution.</li> <li>● I would like to see how they handle the issue of liability when they decide to use Physical Management.</li> <li>● Does anyone do this backward? This came from a youth panel - the idea that when you come to a new placement/facility, why do you have to start at the bottom and earn privileges vs starting with privileges and then only losing them if you make those choices.</li> <li>●</li> </ul>

<p>preferable on families.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Interesting to find out that you can't have locked doors unless you have certain sprinkler systems for fire.</li> </ul>	
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Regarding prevention materials:

What stands out?	What's missing?	Questions/wonders you have?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Exempting a secure facility from a prohibition on cruel, severe, unusual or unnecessary practices is scary.</li> <li>• Locked doors seem common.</li> <li>• National Accreditation - what does that entail? Seems like a promising practice.</li> <li>• Like the exception in WY where a child with documented physical or mental condition that would contraindicate use of the restraint.</li> <li>• Kansas Staff Secure Facility Requirements in the link offers more details that are interesting. (also goes more into restraint).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Exclusions for youth that are suicidal from being put in seclusion (large ability to self harm when in a room by themselves even if nothing else in the room).</li> <li>• Age limits for restrictive practices or facilities.</li> <li>• Lack of due process for a youth who can be subjected to these restraints. Some go beyond what a youth sentenced to a facility can face and those youth have had the benefit of a trial or process.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Why / How would a youth be placed in these "Secure" residential treatment centers? Is it through juvenile justice / courts? Like a commitment to DYS or Detention? Or, can this be through a County DHS?</li> <li>• Some of these start to sound like shackling which is very problematic and something even JD courts are trying to avoid. How do you better define restraint to avoid this being essentially jail?</li> <li>• What Colorado facilities have the infrastructure to have staff controlled/locked doors? What is the cost to get to that point? Or would a new facility need to be built?</li> </ul>