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## *AISP Newsletter: July 2017*

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### AISP Updates

#### Penn's Actionable Intelligence for Social Policy Project to Launch New Training Program

"Actionable Intelligence for Social Policy, or AISP, a joint effort between the University of Pennsylvania School of Social Policy & Practice and Graduate School of Education, will launch a training and technical assistance program for state and local governments interested in developing integrated data systems, or IDS."

"These systems enable governments to harness data across multiple agencies to improve policy analysis and establish more effective programs. Since its inception in 2009, AISP, has fostered the development, use and innovation of IDS for policy analysis and program reform. AISP coordinates an existing network of 16 states and counties with IDS capacity."



### Additional Information

#### LJAF Launches New Blog – Straight Talk on Evidence

"The goal of Straight Talk is to distinguish credible findings of program effectiveness from the many others that claim to be, through an easy-to-read, no-spin digest of recent program evaluation findings." Learn more [here](#).



“The new training program will involve an inaugural stand-alone IDS learning community of eight states and two counties. This community will be guided through a newly-developed curriculum based on the expertise of AISP researchers and network practitioners.” Access the [complete article](#).

## ADRF Network Update



[ADRF Network's 1st newsletter](#) is out! Want to stay on top of [#AdminData](#) news and events? [Sign up](#) for their monthly newsletter:

Matthew Hill, former AISP Executive Director, has transitioned to an advisory role and will continue to consult with AISP in this capacity. We are grateful for his contributions and leadership of the AISP Innovation project.

## AISP Network Sites in the News

### [WA State Uses State Administrative Data to Track the Status of Youth Exiting Foster Care, Behavioral Health and Criminal Justice Systems](#)



“This report provides information on the housing status of annual cohorts of youth (12 to 17) and young adults (18 to 24) exiting Washington State foster care, residential behavioral health and criminal justice systems. Youth aging out of foster care, discharged from publicly paid inpatient mental health or substance use disorder treatment, or released from Juvenile Rehabilitation institutions or the State's adult Department of Corrections

facilities are followed over a 12 month period post-release using state administrative data. Administrative information on housing status is used to estimate rates of homelessness or housing instability within 6 and 12 months of discharge/release. Demographics, social services utilization, reinstitutionalization and homeless trends over time are described for each cohort State Fiscal Year (SFY).” Access the [complete report](#).

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## Administrative Data in the News

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### [GovInnovator Interviews David Yokum, Director, The Lab @ DC](#)



“In 2016, the District of Columbia launched [The Lab @ DC](#), based in the Office of the City Administrator within the Office of Mayor Muriel Bowser. Its mission: To embed the scientific method into the heart of day-to-day governance of the city to provide decision makers with high-quality evidence in order to improve results for the city. As its website notes, The Lab “generates timely, relevant, and high-quality ideas and evidence to inform the District’s most important decisions because DC residents deserve a government that asks questions, tests policies, and iteratively improves how it serves the community.” Click [here](#) to access the podcast.

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### [MPH to Lead Data-Driven Culture in State Government](#)



“The Indiana Management Performance Hub (MPH) became a State agency on July 1. MPH is working with state agencies and external partners to unlock and leverage data to drive

decisions, inform policy development, increase government efficiency, and improve outcomes for Hoosiers around the state. Supported by Governor Holcomb's leadership and charge to deliver great government service at a great value to taxpayers, we welcome Darshan Shah as executive director of MPH and Indiana's first chief data officer. In this capacity, Shah will be leading Indiana's efforts to coordinate the use of data to advance the ball on real problems. He is also guiding MPH partnerships with a number of state agencies and external partners." Access the [MPH Service Catalog](#).



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