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JUSTICE DEPARTMENT SUPPORTS ONLINE CLEARINGHOUSE TO REDUCE GIRLS' DELINQUENCY AND DETENTION

WASHINGTON –The Office of Justice Programs' Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) awarded \$400,000 to support the National Girls Institute, a resource clearinghouse designed to reduce the number of girls in the juvenile justice system and improve the treatment of girls in detention.

“The National Girls Institute provides up-to-date, easily accessible information for girls and parents, from success stories, advice and hotlines to leadership and volunteer opportunities,” said OJJDP Administrator Robert L. Listenbee. “OJJDP is committed to working with our community partners through programs like this to identify the causes of girls’ delinquency and effectively respond to the needs of girls in the juvenile justice system.”

Through this award, the American Institutes for Research and the National Crittenton Foundation will work collaboratively with OJJDP to provide training, technical assistance, webinars, communities of practice, blogs and tools for professionals working with at-risk and delinquent girls and their families.

For more information on the National Girls Institute and its resources for girls, families, and professionals working with girls, please visit:
www.nationalgirlsinsitute.org.

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