

## **Related Topics**

There are a broad range of issues that need to be taken into consideration before any type of meaningful systems change or improvement can occur. This is certainly true when developing strategies to improve the identification and treatment of mental health and co-occurring substance use disorders among youth in the juvenile justice system. There are number of critical questions to be answered: How will services be funded? How can linkages across systems be strengthened? Further, how do you integrate services and policies across systems? How can families be involved at both the planning and service delivery levels to improve outcomes for youth? Are training opportunities available to support new policies or procedures? Are there standards available to assist in the development of outcome-based programming and treatment?

Included in this chapter of the Resource Kit is a cross-section of articles, references and resources that can begin to address some of these questions and challenges. Information on funding, systems integration, evaluation and training, and families is included.