The past two decades have been an exciting time in women's services with new research, improved practices, and an emerging recognition that the differences presented by women contributes to their justice involvement.

The rising rates of women in our justice systems have seen exponential growth over the past 2 decades and women, once a population deemed too small to address have turned into a challenge for correctional administrators.

Research has identified areas that are either unique to or occur with greater frequency and duration with women and left unaddressed, may increase her likelihood of justice involvement. NIC continues a commitment of providing research-based and gender-informed services and support to the field to improve outcomes in the management of justice involved women.

**TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE**

Technical Assistance (TA) is offered to organizations and agencies interested in improving outcomes for justice involved women and is offered across the correctional continuum (pre-trial, jails, prisons, probation, parole, and community-based programs). The TA can cover a broad range of identified needs from operational issues, to programming, to policy development, and can also support implementation of these policies and procedures.

**NEW**

**WOMEN'S CORRECTIONAL SAFETY SCALES (WCSS)**

The WCSS is a rigorously validated survey designed to assess safety in women's correctional facilities across multiple dimensions. It measures detained and sentenced women's perceptions of safety and gives policy makers a baseline for understanding how safe women feel across a variety of dimensions.

**NEW**

**EFFECTIVE CASE PLANNING AND SUPERVISION OF JUSTICE INVOLVED WOMEN**

This 2-course series with practical applications in case planning and supervision of women on probation and parole.

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COLLABORATIVE CASEWORK - WOMEN (CCW-W)
The CCW-W merges evidence-based, gender-informed research to enhance outcomes with justice involved women. The team focused process can begin at sentencing, continues through community supervision, and focuses on risk, need, and strengths with the active participation of the women.

GENDER-INFORMED PRACTICES ASSESSMENT (GIPA)
The GIPA provides agency and prison leadership with a measured assessment of their delivery of sound principles of evidence-based, gender-informed research policy, programming, and practices.

GENDER-RESPONSIVE POLICY AND PRACTICES ASSESSMENT (GRPPA)
A self-directed template developed to guide an agency's internal assessment of current evidence-based, gender-informed policies, programs, and practices in jails, prisons, probation, parole, and community-based residential programs.

WOMEN’S RISK AND NEED ASSESSMENTS (WRNA)
The WRNA are gender-informed, researched based assessment and classification instruments that assess risk, need and strength factors across the correctional continuum specific to women.