

Pretrial Services Agency for the District of Columbia

2013 Judicial Survey

The annual Judicial Survey of the Pretrial Services Agency for the District of Columbia (hereinafter, "PSA") solicits feedback from judicial officers at the Superior Court of the District of Columbia and the United States District Court for the District of Columbia on the services PSA provides to these courts and to defendants released pending trial. Gauging the opinions of our most important partners will allow us to improve the quality and delivery of our services and supervision and meet our mission of promoting pretrial justice and enhancing community safety.

1. Please indicate in which Court you preside: Superior Court of the District of Columbia
United States District Court for the District of Columbia
2. Please indicate the number of years that you have served on the Bench: _____
3. Overall, how satisfied are you with the services that PSA provides to the Court?
 - 1 Very satisfied
 - 2 Satisfied
 - 3 Neither
 - 4 Dissatisfied
 - 5 Very Dissatisfied
 - NA Not applicable
4. Overall, how satisfied are you with the information PSA provides about the services/programs it offers to the Court?
 - 1 Very satisfied
 - 2 Satisfied
 - 3 Neither
 - 4 Dissatisfied
 - 5 Very Dissatisfied
 - NA Not applicable
5. How useful to you is the information that PSA provides in assisting you with your decision-making process?
 - 1 Very Useful
 - 2 Useful
 - 3 Average
 - 4 Not Very Useful
 - 5 Not Useful At All
 - NA Not applicable
6. How can PSA improve upon the individual case information it provides to better assist your decision-making?

7. How useful to you are PSA's recommendations to your decision-making?

- 1 Very Useful
- 2 Useful
- 3 Average
- 4 Not Very Useful
- 5 Not Useful At All
- NA Not applicable

8. How can PSA improve its recommendations and/or its recommendation process?

9. How would you rate the services that PSA provides in the following areas?

Answer Options	Excellent	Good	Average	Fair	Poor	NA
Pretrial Services Reports for release/detention decision-making						
Reports detailing defendant compliance or noncompliance with release conditions						
Timeliness of reports and evaluations						
Quality/comprehensiveness of reports/evaluation						
Timely appearances in court when requested						
PSA staff resourcefulness and helpfulness in Court						
FTA investigations/warrant surrenders						
Drug Testing Services and Laboratory/Forensic Services						
Timeliness of treatment placements for defendants detained for that purpose						

10. Please provide any additional information about how we can improve in the specific areas listed above.

11. Are there other services and/or technologies that you would like to see PSA utilize to assist in providing services to the Court?

12. How satisfied are you with the level of communication between you (and/or your staff) and PSA staff and supervisors?

Answer Options	Very Satisfied	Satisfied	Neither	Dissatisfied	Very Dissatisfied	N/A
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Pretrial Services
Officers

Supervisors/Managers

13. How would you rate PSA's responsiveness in resolving your overall needs or concerns?

- 1 Excellent
- 2 Good
- 3 Average
- 4 Fair
- 5 Poor
- NA Not applicable

14. Overall, how satisfied are you with PSA's responsiveness to conducting evaluations and/or screenings for PSA program placement (for example, HISP, Drug Court, etc.)?

- 1 Very satisfied
- 2 Satisfied
- 3 Neither
- 4 Dissatisfied
- 5 Very Dissatisfied
- NA Not applicable

15. How satisfied are you with the services that PSA provides for defendants in the following areas?

Answer Options	Very Satisfied	Satisfied	Neither	Dissatisfied	Very Dissatisfied	N/A
Substance-related treatment services						
Supervision						
Electronic Surveillance (both GPS and EM)						
Mental Health Services						
Other pro-social interventions (e.g., employment, educational resources and referrals, etc.)						

16. Are there other services and/or technologies that you would like to see PSA utilize in its supervision and treatment programs for defendants?

17. Is there any additional information that you would like to bring to our attention at this time? If so, please indicate this here:

18. If you would like to provide additional information or feedback regarding the services PSA provides, please contact Dr. Laura House, Senior Program Analyst, Office of Strategic Development at (202) 220-5681.

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