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# Introductions

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# Overview of Presentation

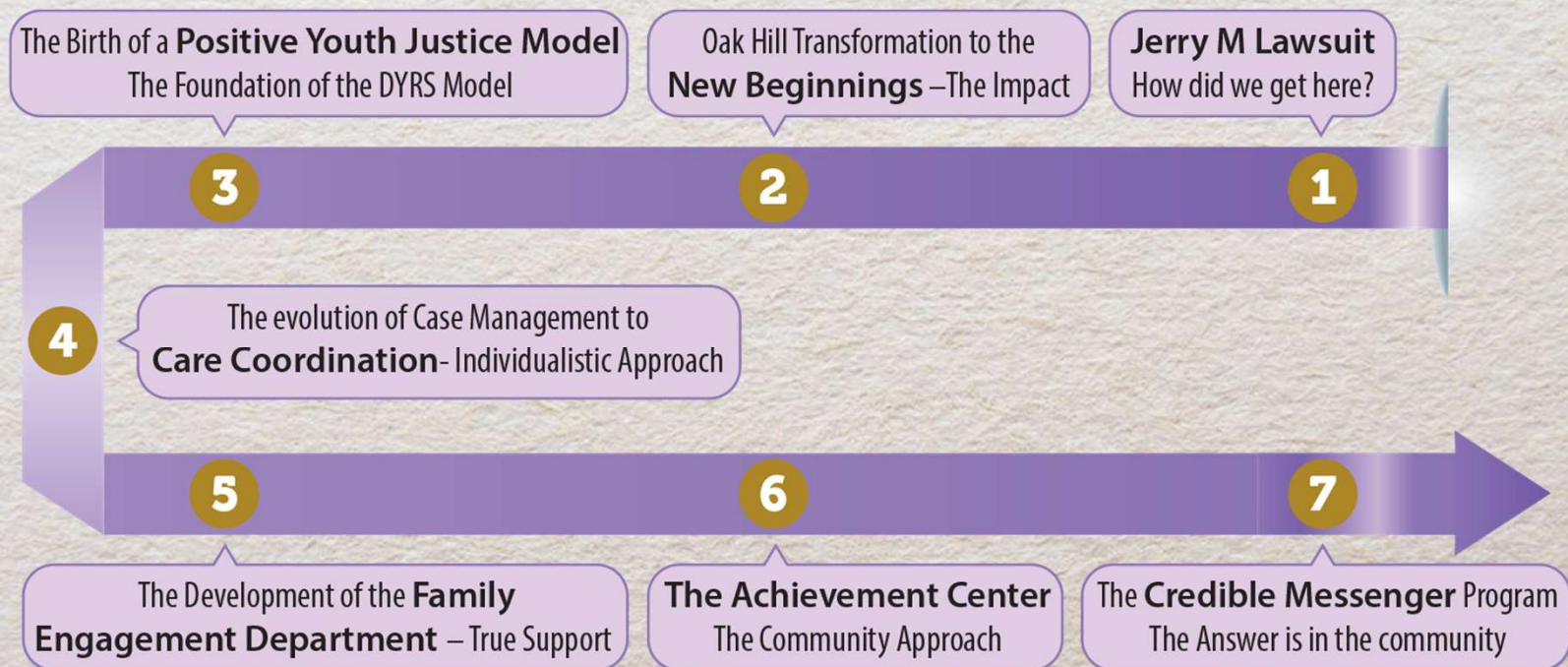
**1. Overview of the DYRS System**

**2. Care Planning Coordination**

**3. Family Engagement**

**4. Achievement Center**

# Evolution of DYRS

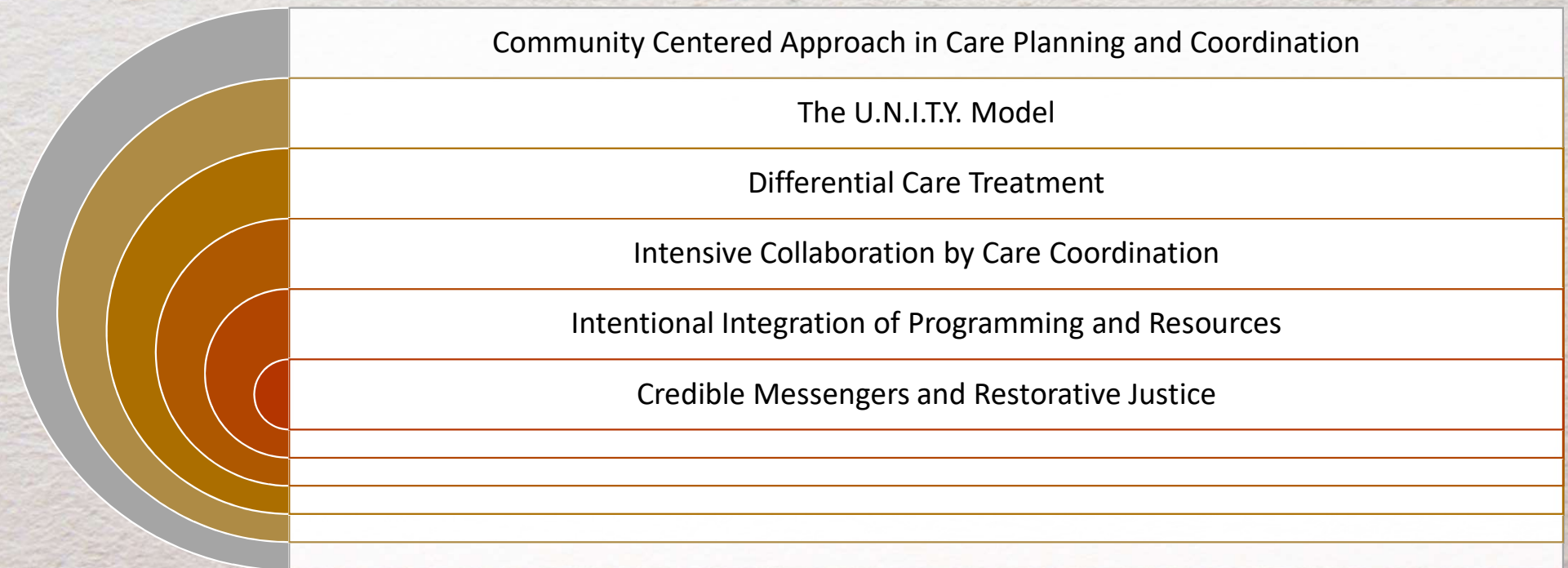




# Background

- **Past Approach: Placements out-of-state to curb risky behavior**
- **Current Approach: Community Programming and Resources to support least-restrictive placements**
- **To date, more than 64 % of total committed population are residing in the community and receiving services**

# Transforming from Probation Mindset to Positive Mindset





# Anchored in Strength Parent Support Group

## Family Engagement

**DYRS' Director, Clinton Lacey has challenged the staff to infuse the agencies' mission, 'What Love Looks Like' into Public Policy.**

- **How The Family Engagement Department strengthened the relationships between families and the agency?**
- **What processes were implemented to reflect this present model of "Love in Public Policy"**
- **How Parent Groups guide parent-youth interactions as well as support youth during and after commitment**



# Anchored in Strength Parent Support Group



## Parent Retreats

- **Purpose of trips**
- **How trips tie into Agency's Mission**



# The Achievement Centers Model



- **What is The Achievement Center?**
- **Enriched Programming**
  - **Purposeful Events & Trips**
  - **Vocational Training Programs**
  - **Partnerships with Non-Profit and For Profit Organizations**

# The Achievement Centers



- **Safe Space for Youth**
- **The Youth Council**
- **Safe Space for Restorative Justice Circles and Mediation among Youth**



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