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Trista Deame serves as the Chief of Criminal Justice Program Planning and Development. She is responsible for ensuring New York's compliance within the fourth core requirement of the Juvenile Justice Delinquency and Prevention Act as it relates to Racial and Ethnic Disparities (R.E.D). Ms. Deame provides technical assistance and training to statewide and local partners as it pertains to the federal requirement to ensure that stakeholders are aware of the impact that R.E.D. has on local communities. She serves as a member of the Technical Assistance Team (TACT) for the State's Partnership for Youth Justice (PYJ) providing technical assistance regarding overall juvenile justice system reform, including data, R.E.D., and other various components in juvenile justice reform. Additionally, Ms. Deame provides training on Implicit Bias and the Mind Science behind bias for various juvenile justice stakeholders at the local and State level. Ms. Deame also sits on various taskforces and workgroups lending technical assistance regarding R.E.D. as well as subject matter expertise related to research and program implementation in the areas of re-entry, school justice, and cross-over youth.



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