



RESTORATIVE JUSTICE PRACTITIONER SEAT APPOINTMENT COVER PAGE

Thank you for your interest in the open Practitioner seat on the Colorado RJ Coordinating Council (RJ Council).

Background on the RJ Council:

The Council envisions: 1) Restorative Values and Practices become the norm for addressing harm in as many systems and contexts as possible (including schools, the juvenile and criminal legal systems, and beyond); 2) Access to Restorative Justice opportunities increasingly equitable across the diversities and identifies of persons who have been harmed and those who have caused harm within Colorado communities; and 3) Availability of Restorative Justice practitioners who represent the diversity of their community demographics.

The Council is a 19-member public body located within the State Court Administrator's Office. As a statewide public body, the RJ Council is committed to a diverse and balanced membership as set out in our [Appointment Guidelines](#). Fourteen seats are appointed by a variety of government entities and stakeholders. Five seats represent RJ practitioners - 2 appointed by the CO Coalition for RJ Practices (CCRJP), and 3 by the State Court Administrator. The Council forwards nominees to fill these three Practitioner representatives to the State Court Administrator for formal appointment.

Practitioner Seat Appointment Criteria:

To be considered for an RJ Practitioner seat on the Council, you must have a meaningful history and level of hands-on experience and engagement with facilitation, training, mentoring, and/or program implementation within one or more RJ practice contexts in Colorado. This can be in a staff, volunteer, or self-employed role. Additional considerations and references for filling this seat are outlined in the electronic Application form. For effective on-boarding, engagement and filling of leadership roles within the Council, an initial commitment of 4 years is strongly encouraged for all new Council appointees. If you are not already listed in the Council's statewide Directory of RJ Practitioners and Programs, you are encouraged to create a profile [here](#) during your application process.

The Process:

1. Your application must be submitted **by 11:59pm MST, Nov. 14, 2022**, via electronic form, together with any related materials submitted by email. Please visit www.rjcolorado.org and click on **Our Story** and the **RJ Council & Staff**, to access the **Application Cover Page**, **FAQ**, and **Application form**, and for more information about the RJ Council in general. Out of fairness, only complete and timely applications will be considered. If your questions are not addressed through these resources, you may submit a question in writing at least 5 days prior to the application deadline to rjcolorado@judicial.state.co.us with **"Questions Practitioner Application"** in the subject line.
2. A selection committee of the RJ Council will review the applicant pool. This committee may check references and/or choose to conduct interviews with top applicants, before making its final selection to fill the appointment.



3. The nominee will be sent to the State Court Administrator to request a formal appointment letter. Additional steps by the Judicial Branch may occur at this point to finalize issuance of the appointment.
4. Once these steps are completed, Council staff will notify other applicants of the status of their applications, and the new appointment will be publicly posted.

The anticipated timeframe for completing this process is January 2023.