

Jan. 28, 2025

Members of the Joint Appropriations Subcommittee on Judicial Branch, Law Enforcement, and Justice – Subsection D,

The Montana Department of Corrections respectfully submits the following information in response to requests from the committee's Jan. 28, 2024, meeting.

Average length of stay for juvenile females at 5Cs Youth Rehabilitation Center?

The average length of stay for juvenile females is between 3 and 5 months if they are sentenced on misdemeanor crimes. During that time, they must complete a treatment plan. Juveniles sentenced for committing felonies generally stay at the facility between 6 and 8 months during which time they complete a treatment plan. Juveniles committing violent felonies may be required to spend additional time at 5Cs. Institutional behavior is also a consideration and may lengthen stays.

Please do not hesitate to reach out if you have any questions. Questions not answered within this document or the one provided to the committee on Jan. 27, 2025 will be addressed during the department's Program 3 presentation or as soon as the department can gather the information.

Respectfully Submitted,

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