

When a Judge Commits a Juvenile to DYS

Please call the DYS Intake Unit at (501) 682-9729 when you have a juvenile that has been committed to DYS. Upon receipt of commitment documents DYS will arrange a temporary placement for the youth.

DYS Intake would like to request your consideration for use of the following forms whenever the Court commits a youth to the Division of Youth Services.

These forms may be found at www.ajoaonline.com or DYS Intake Unit will be happy to provide you with copies.	<u>Delinquency Disposition & Order of Commitment to Division of Youth Services</u> <u>RS 13 or Commitment Form</u> <u>SAVRY Assessment</u>
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Please reference a copy of Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated Official Edition 9-28-208 Order of Commitment. This Code outlines the requirements for the Order of Commitment and the information which must be compiled by the Intake Officer or the Juvenile Probation Officer and submitted to the DYS Intake Unit either **prior to or at the same time** the juvenile is committed to DYS.

The forms listed above meet all of these criteria and may be used for convenience. The DYS Commitment Order and RS13 form are also available online at the Arkansas Juvenile Officers Association website. (<http://www.ajoaonline.com/member-resources.html>).

Of particular importance is any information regarding medical conditions of the youth committed and key language in the order that authorizes DYS to provide medical service and obtain medical records. *“DYS shall have the authority to provide all reasonable and necessary medical services including hospitalization, during the period of commitment. DYS shall also have the authority to obtain medical, psychiatric, psychological, and social and education records during the period of the juvenile’s commitment.”*

**If the youth is a sex offender, the Court may want to consider language requesting that DYS obtain a registration risk assessment.

For any questions or clarification please contact us.

**Email the Order of Commitment, RS13, and SAVRY to DYS Intake at: dysintakeunit@dhs.arkansas.gov

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