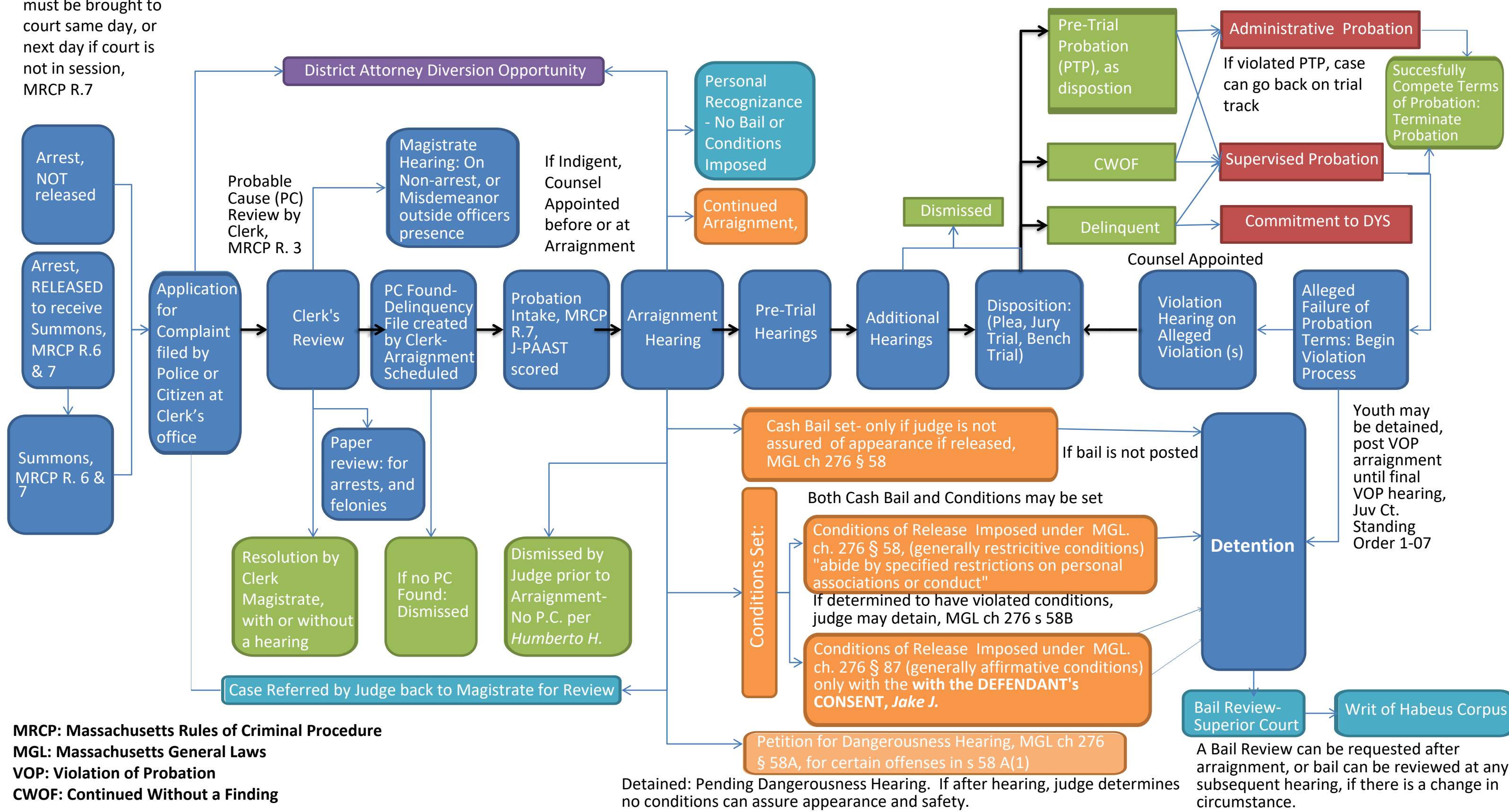


## Service Road Map for the Juvenile Court process and DYS\*

Service Provided	Description	Payer	How to Access
<b>Juvenile Court Information and Legal Resources</b>			
<p>1. Department of Youth Services (DYS)</p> <p>1.a. DYS Lynn District Office, 156 Broad St., Lower Level, Lynn MA 01901</p> <p>2. DYS: Juvenile Detention</p> <p>3. Department of Children and Families (DCF)</p> <p>4. DCF Family Resource Centers (FRCs)</p> <p>5. Committee for Public Counsel Services: Youth Advocacy Division (YAD)</p> <p>6. Child Requiring Assistance (CRA) Law of 2012</p> <p>7. Children's Law Center of Massachusetts</p> <p>8. Mass Legal Services/Legal Aid</p> <p>9. ROCA, 52 Andrew St., Lynn, MA 01901</p>	<p>1. DYS is the Juvenile Justice agency for the Commonwealth which oversees a number of programs for juvenile offenders including clinical, health, and educational services.</p> <p>1.a. This is the DYS office that monitors committed clients who are living in the community in the North Shore area. Each youth is assigned to a caseworker who then supervises that youth in the community until they age out of DYS.</p> <p>2. Information for Parents/Guardians of youth who are newly detained.</p> <p>3. The Department of Children and Families is the state agency responsible for protecting children and helping families in need.</p> <p>4. FRCs are a statewide network of community-based providers offering multi-cultural parenting programs, support groups, early childhood services, information and referral resources and education for families whose children range in age from birth to 18 years of age.</p> <p>5. Information and resources for legal representation and court proceedings.</p> <p>6. A <i>Child Requiring Assistance</i> is a child between the ages of 6 -18 who may Runaway, Refuse to obey lawful and reasonable commands of parent, Refuse to obey lawful and reasonable regulations of the school (school age youth only), Chronically truant, or a Sexually exploited child.</p> <p>7. A non-profit organization that provides free legal assistance to low-income children of the Commonwealth in the areas of education, child welfare and juvenile justice.</p> <p>8. Resources for Free or Low Cost Legal Aid.</p> <p>9. ROCA works with at risk/high risk gang involved youth between the ages of 17-24. They provide job training, HiSET classes, and refer clients to providers for services.</p>	<p>1. DYS</p> <p>1.a.DYS</p> <p>2. DYS</p> <p>3. DCF</p> <p>4. DCF</p> <p>5. Committee for Public Counsel Services</p> <p>6. State</p> <p>7. State, Federal, and Private Funders</p> <p>8. Government, Grants, Private Pay</p> <p>9. State, Federal, and Private Funders</p>	<p>1. <a href="https://www.mass.gov/orgs/department-of-youth-services">https://www.mass.gov/orgs/department-of-youth-services</a> or (617) 727-7575</p> <p>1.a. DYS Lynn District Office (339) 883-1187</p> <p>2. <a href="http://www.mass.gov/eohhs/docs/dys/jdai/detention-pamphlet-for-families-8-15-14.pdf">http://www.mass.gov/eohhs/docs/dys/jdai/detention-pamphlet-for-families-8-15-14.pdf</a> or call the Northeast Region Detention Coordinator (978) 716-1187</p> <p>3. <a href="https://www.mass.gov/orgs/massachusetts-department-of-children-families">https://www.mass.gov/orgs/massachusetts-department-of-children-families</a> or (617) 748-2000 or DCF Hotline 1-800-792-5200</p> <p>4. <a href="https://www.frma.org/">https://www.frma.org/</a></p> <p>5. <a href="https://www.publiccounsel.net/ya/">https://www.publiccounsel.net/ya/</a> or (617) 482-6212</p> <p>Juvenile Court Process Fact Sheet: <a href="https://www.publiccounsel.net/ya/wp-content/uploads/sites/6/2014/06/now-that-youre-in-juvenile-court.pdf">https://www.publiccounsel.net/ya/wp-content/uploads/sites/6/2014/06/now-that-youre-in-juvenile-court.pdf</a></p> <p>6. <a href="http://www.mass.gov/courts/selfhelp/family/cra.html">http://www.mass.gov/courts/selfhelp/family/cra.html</a></p> <p>7. <a href="http://www.clcm.org">http://www.clcm.org</a> or Helpline: 1-888-KIDLAW8 (1-888-543-5298)</p> <p>8. <a href="https://www.masslegalservices.org/findlegalaid">https://www.masslegalservices.org/findlegalaid</a></p> <p>9. <a href="http://rocainc.org/">http://rocainc.org/</a> or (781) 780-9611</p>

\*Additional services for youth will be included in next year's Service Road Map. For suggestions, please contact [YAR@salemstate.edu](mailto:YAR@salemstate.edu).

If not released, must be brought to court same day, or next day if court is not in session, MRCP R.7



**MRCP: Massachusetts Rules of Criminal Procedure**  
**MGL: Massachusetts General Laws**  
**VOP: Violation of Probation**  
**CWO: Continued Without a Finding**

- Issues of a youth's competency to stand trial can be raised at any point in the juvenile justice process by any party. A Court may order an initial evaluation by a court clinician, MGL ch 123 §15a, and further evaluation as necessary under §15b. A youth may be evaluated in detention during this time.
- The court may order a youth to undergo a diagnostic evaluation to aid the court, under MGL ch 119 §68A. This evaluation can be completed in the community, or in detention, however, if the youth is detained the evaluation must be completed within 30 days.
- Counsel for a youth may request funds from the Indigent Court Costs Fund, G.L. c. 261, §§ 27A-G, to privately retain a mental health expert for needed evaluations.