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National Institute of Justice Releases Publication Examining Restrictive Housing

WASHINGTON – The Office of Justice Programs’ (OJP) National Institute of Justice (NIJ) today released *Restrictive Housing in the U.S.: Issues, Challenges, and Future Directions*, a volume examining various aspects and viewpoints regarding restrictive housing, commonly referred to as “solitary confinement.”

Today’s publication contains ten chapters examining different aspects of restrictive housing, including the use of restrictive housing in the U.S.; the legal issues surrounding restrictive housing; and the function of restrictive housing within an institutional setting.

“Together, these chapters provide the most comprehensive review to date of what we know about the use of restrictive housing in U.S. correctional facilities and the effects of this practice on incarcerated individuals, corrections staff, and the institution as a whole”, said NIJ Director, Nancy Rodriguez.

NIJ supports rigorous research on restrictive housing practices through funding and bringing together federal partners and experts to identify and discuss these pressing issues. More information on NIJ’s restrictive housing projects is located here:

<http://www.nij.gov/topics/corrections/institutional/Pages/restrictive-housing.aspx>

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