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Jennifer Welch began her career at a community corrections residential program in Topeka, Kansas. Since that time she has held the positions of Parole Officer and Parole Supervisor, working in both Wyandotte and Johnson counties. She is currently a manager for the Parole Services division of the Kansas Department of Corrections with responsibilities that include oversight of the employee training program, policy development and helping to effectively incorporate evidence based correctional practices into parole operations.

Mrs. Welch has a Bachelor of Arts degree in Corrections and Sociology from Washburn University and a Master's Degree from Baker University in the Liberal Arts. She holds several instructor certifications including advanced communication skills, cognitive behavioral case management techniques and personal safety skills. She was an elected member of the Kansas Correctional Association's executive board 1992 -1994 and enjoyed the leadership role and helping to coordinate statewide training conferences. From 2008 – 2012 she served as Kansas' Regional Field Coordinator for the National Institute of Corrections' Regional Training Initiative. In that role she assisted with the development and presentation of professional development events for corrections employees in the central states. She enjoys helping agencies make change to increase effectiveness and sharing information with others to help them understand the many aspects of community based corrections.