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### **NEW JUSTICE DEPARTMENT BULLETIN HIGHLIGHTS EFFECTS OF DRINKING ON ADOLESCENT DEVELOPMENT**

WASHINGTON –The Office of Justice Programs’ Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) today released the bulletin *Effects and Consequences of Underage Drinking*. It presents findings on the potential neurological damage, social and emotional consequences, health and safety risks and academic problems the underage drinker may experience.

OJJDP works with states to eliminate underage consumption of alcohol and created the new bulletin series on underage drinking to provide evidence-based guidance for communities developing prevention and treatment programs. This bulletin was adapted from *Underage Drinking: Intervention Principles and Practice Guidelines for Community Corrections*.

**TITLE:** *Effects and Consequences of Underage Drinking*

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