

# Interested in doing research with Washington State Department of Corrections?

The Department supports and conducts research relevant to its programs, services, operations, mission and strategic goals. Research projects designed and conducted by external researchers are encouraged. Research must be aligned with DOC strategic goals and operation needs, and will be reviewed and approved based on DOC priorities and burden.

## DOC's Mission & Values

### Mission

To improve public safety

### Vision

Working together for safe communities

## DOC's Strategic Goals

### Improve Lives

- Decrease the first-year rate of return to institutions from 12% to 10% by 2023
- Increase the rate of continuity of care plans by 40% by 2023 for incarcerated individuals diagnosed with a substance use disorder, mental health, and/or chronic care condition

### Keep People Safe

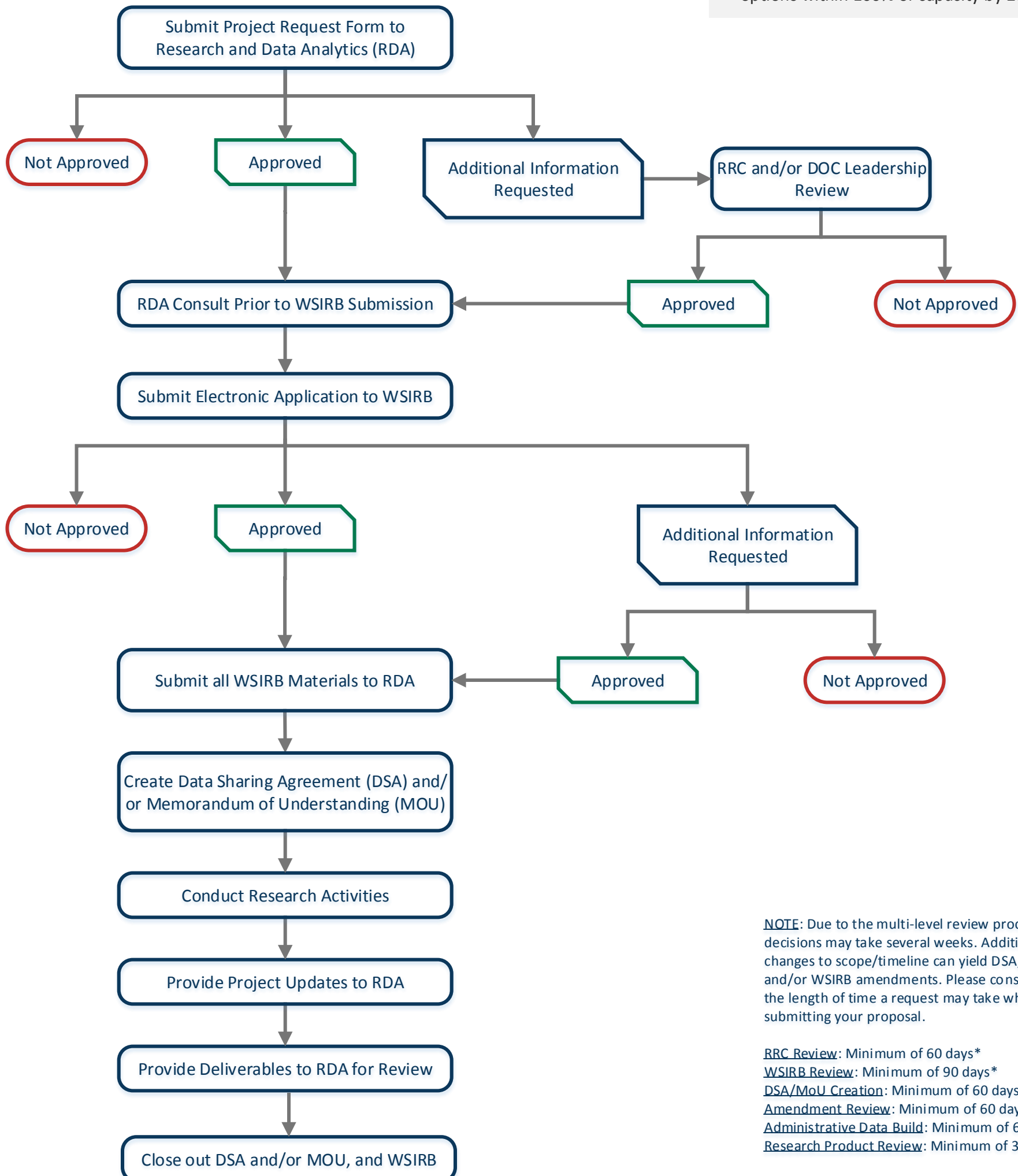
- Decrease the rate of violence from 0.93 to 0.90 per 100 incarcerated individuals at prison and work release facilities by 2022
- Increase the rate of supervised individuals reporting from 78% to 80% by 2023

### Engaged & Respected Employees

- Increase the Equity, Diversity, Inclusion, and Respect (EDIR) index from 61% to 65% by 2023

### Organizational Excellence

- Provide full and partial confinement options within 100% of capacity by 2023



**NOTE:** Due to the multi-level review process, decisions may take several weeks. Additionally, changes to scope/timeline can yield DSA, MOU, and/or WSIRB amendments. Please consider the length of time a request may take when submitting your proposal.

**RRC Review:** Minimum of 60 days\*  
**WSIRB Review:** Minimum of 90 days\*  
**DSA/MoU Creation:** Minimum of 60 days\*  
**Amendment Review:** Minimum of 60 days\*  
**Administrative Data Build:** Minimum of 60 days\*  
**Research Product Review:** Minimum of 30 days\*

\*Timelines are dependent on available resources, staff burden, and complexity of the request.