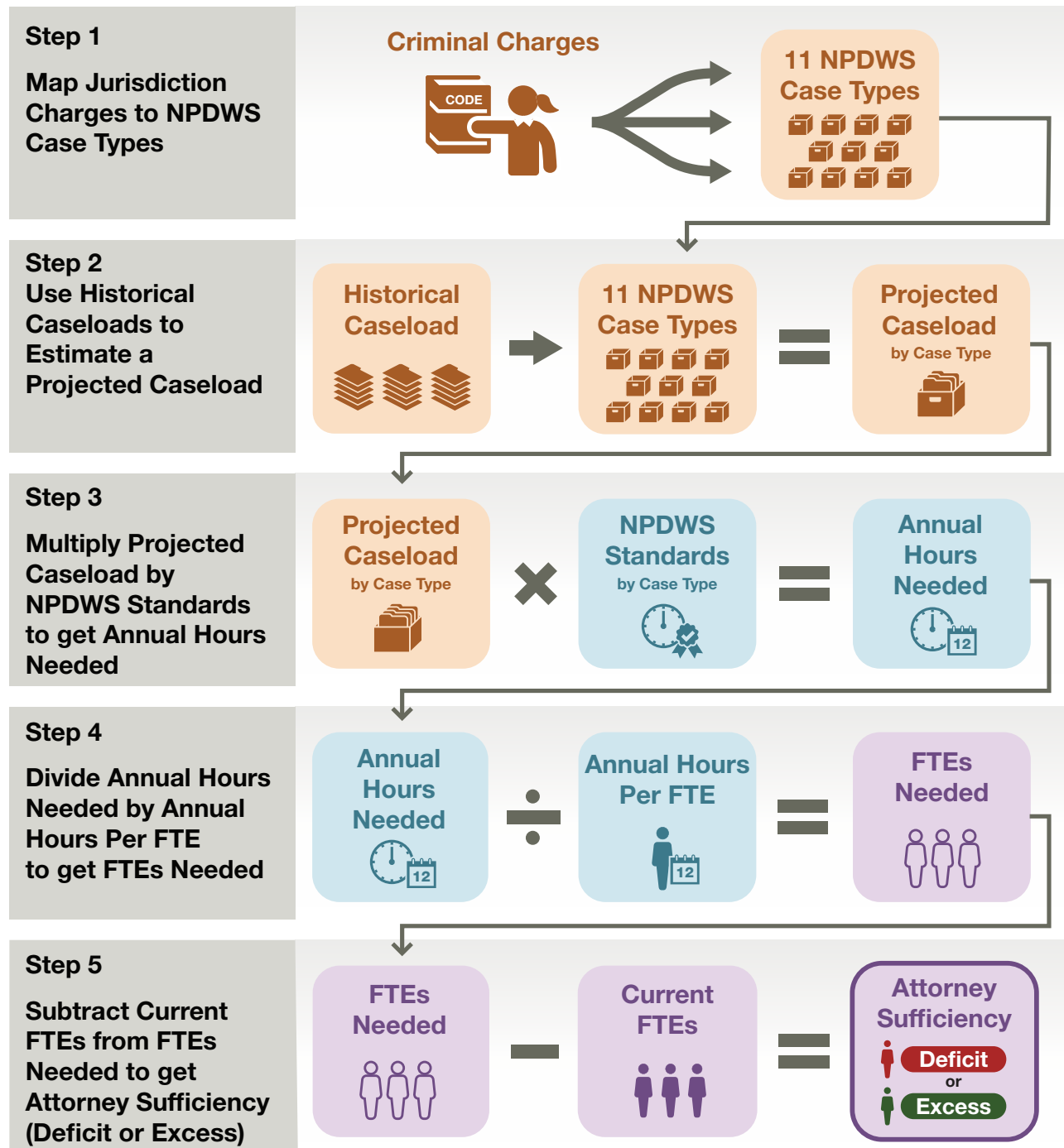


# Applying the NPDWS Standards to Determine Attorney Staffing Sufficiency

The most common use of the NPDWS standards (case weights) is to estimate attorney hours needed to address the next year's projected caseload. Comparing these needed hours to current attorney staffing allows a public defense provider to understand whether they have enough attorneys to address their projected caseload and, if not, how many additional attorneys the provider needs.



Contact the Deason Center for expert assistance in understanding and using NPDWS Standards.

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