

## ASSESSMENT AND TREATMENT

Every individual who is considering DTC shall receive a clinical assessment to determine the severity of substance abuse and the appropriate level of treatment. Participants will receive an Individualized Care Plan which can range from outpatient to residential treatment depending on one's needs. All individuals will have the support of a Clinical Case Coordinator and have access to a Case Manager and a Professional Peer who can assist in the provision of support services including information and placement for job training and placement, educational programs, housing, and health benefits.



## ELIGIBILITY

Referrals may be made to the DTC Coordinator by the Court, OSA, OPD, Defense Counsel, and the Division of Parole and Probation. To be eligible, an individual must meet the following criteria:

- ✓ Be 18 years of age or older
- ✓ Show symptoms of serious and chronic substance abuse
- ✓ Have no open cases that cannot be resolved by the plea into DTC
- ✓ Have no conviction of a crime of violence unless the conviction occurred at least 10 years ago and the sentence, including probation, was completed at least 5 years before the date of entry into the DTC

Individuals may be accepted into DTC who are on parole if the Parole Board agrees to hold the parole in abeyance while the individual participates in DTC.

Individuals who have previously participated or graduated from a DTC will be considered for admission if that person currently meets the eligibility criteria.

## REQUIREMENTS

All participants must:

- 1 Enter into a guilty plea for an appropriate suspended sentence and no more than two years of probation supervised by a probation agent at least once a month.
- 2 Abide by all special conditions of probation and individualized care and support plans for drug treatment, counseling, and other reasonable services as needed.
- 3 Submit to urine testing, including random urinalysis.
- 4 Appear in Drug Treatment Court for a progress review at least once a month.

## GRADUATION

DTC Participants are eligible for successful completion or graduation from DTC if they have successfully participated in the program for a minimum of 18 months and are in compliance with all conditions of probation.



## MISSION

The Drug Treatment Court (DTC) provides an opportunity for nonviolent offenders who suffer from substance abuse to receive comprehensive quality treatment and support services, including assistance with employment, educational programs, housing, and benefits. The goal of the DTC is to assist in the recovery from addiction and to rehabilitate participants so that they may become productive, self-sustaining members of society, and “break the cycle” of recidivism.



## CONTACT INFORMATION

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# DRUG TREATMENT COURT



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