

# 52-4 District Court Drug Therapy Court

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## Information for potential participants

### Program Overview

- Length: Minimum of 12–18 months
- Team: Judge, probation officer, attorneys, treatment providers, peer recovery coaches, recovery support, and police liaison
- Approach: Individualized treatment, frequent check-ins, random drug/alcohol testing, and supportive accountability

### Expectations of Participants

You will be expected to:

- Be Honest & Committed: Engage fully in treatment and be truthful with the team.
- Be On Time & Prepared: Attend all court sessions, treatment, support groups, and testing. Dress appropriately for court.
- Remain Substance-Free: Abstain from drugs and alcohol. Submit to frequent, random testing.
- Attend Treatment & Support Groups: Complete all required counseling. Attend approved support meetings and secure a sponsor.
- Stay in Contact: Report all law enforcement contact within 24 hours. Communicate with your probation officer if problems arise.
- Follow Rules: No gambling, no out-of-country travel, and travel within the U.S. requires prior approval. Medication disposal must follow program rules.

### Program Phases

- Phase I: Orientation & stabilization - frequent court and probation check-ins, 3+ support meetings/week, intensive treatment.
- Phase II: Continued treatment, employment/school planning, sponsor required, structured support.
- Phase III: Journaling, advanced recovery work, stronger employment/education expectations.
- Phase IV: Stable recovery, pro-social activities, financial stability, preparation for graduation.

### Rewards & Consequences

- Incentives: Gift cards, early dismissal, reduced testing, praise/recognition, travel privileges, All-Star awards.
- Sanctions: Warnings, essays, extra testing, curfew/home confinement, loss of privileges, short jail stays, or program termination

### Things to Know

- Leaving the Program: If you withdraw or are terminated, you may be resentenced, which could include jail.
- Driver's License: You may be eligible for a restricted license with an interlock device after showing progress.
- Financial Help: Limited assistance may be available for testing or treatment if you demonstrate need.

### Final Note

DTC is a commitment. Success requires honesty, accountability, and effort - but in return, you'll gain support, stability, and the chance for a better future.