

THE SUPREME COURT *of* OHIO

SPECIALIZED DOCKETS GUIDANCE

Adult Drug Court Guidance

This document has been created to guide adult drug courts operating in common pleas, municipal, and county court jurisdictions to the best practices for drug courts serving adult populations in criminal jurisdictions. The resources outlined below provide the structure on how to best implement Ohio's certification standards, Appendix I to Sup.R. 36.20 through 36.32, to the policies and practices of a specialized docket. The Supreme Court of Ohio Specialized Dockets staff is available to provide any technical assistance or training needed to assist local courts with the application of the resources and best practices outlined below to the procedures and program documents of local dockets.

General/Best Practices Resources

1. **Bureau of Justice Assistance Defining Drug Courts: The Key Components**
<https://www.ncjrs.gov/pdffiles1/bja/205621.pdf>
2. **National Association of Drug Court Professionals**
<https://www.nadcp.org/>
3. **National Association of Drug Court Professionals Best Practice Standards-Volume I**
<https://www.nadcp.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/12/Adult-Drug-Court-Best-Practice-Standards-Volume-I-Text-Revision-December-2018-1.pdf>
4. **National Association of Drug Court Professionals Best Practice Standards-Volume II**
<https://www.nadcp.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/12/Adult-Drug-Court-Best-Practice-Standards-Volume-2-Text-Revision-December-2018-1.pdf>
5. **National Association of Drug Court Professionals Best Practice Standards Flyer**
<https://www.nadcp.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/09/Best-Practice-Standards-Flyer-Final-3.pdf>
6. **National Association of Drug Court Professionals Journal for Advancing Justice**
<https://www.nadcp.org/advancingjustice/journal-for-advancing-justice/>
7. **Do the Adult Best Practice Standards Apply to Other Treatment Court Types?**
https://cabhp.asu.edu/sites/default/files/do_the_adc_standards_apply_to_other_court_types.pdf
8. **National Drug Court Institute**
<https://www.ndci.org/>
9. **National Drug Court Resource Center**
<https://ndcrc.org/>
10. **Center for Court Innovation**
<https://www.courtinnovation.org/areas-of-focus/treatment-courts>
11. **National Center for State Courts**
<https://www.ncsc.org/services-and-experts/areas-of-expertise/problem-solving-courts>

12. **Supreme Court of Ohio Specialized Dockets Section Services**
<https://www.sconet.state.oh.us/JCS/specDockets/SDServices.pdf>
13. **COVID-19 Resources for Treatment Courts**
<https://www.nadcp.org/covid-19-resources/>
14. **Supreme Court of Ohio Standards COVID Guidance**
<https://www.sconet.state.oh.us/coronavirus/resources/specDocketCertStandCOVID19032020.pdf>

Resources Specific to Ohio's Standards

Standard 1. Planning Process

1. **Design a Treatment Court**
<https://www.ndci.org/resource/training/treatment-court-design/>
2. **Adult Drug Court Planning Process Checklist**
https://ndcrc.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/NADCP_Adult_Drug_Court_Planning_Process_Checklist.pdf
3. **Essential Elements of Adult Drug Courts**
https://courses.ncsc.org/course/NDCI_Essentials
4. **The Judicial Drug Court Benchbook**
<https://www.ndci.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/05/Judicial-Benchbook-2017-Update.pdf>
5. **Sustainability**
<https://www.ndci.org/sustainability/>
6. **Building Recovery-Oriented Systems of Care for Drug Court Participants**
<https://www.ndci.org/wp-content/uploads/Recovery-Oriented%20Systems%20of%20Care.pdf>
7. **Drug Court Review**
<https://www.ndci.org/resource/publications/drug-court-review/>
8. **The Multi-Site Drug Court Evaluation**
<https://www.ndci.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/09/Multisite-Adult-Drug-Court-Evaluation-NADCP.pdf>
9. **Research Update on Adult Drug Courts**
https://www.ndci.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/09/Research-Update-on-Adult-Drug-Courts-NADCP_1.pdf
10. **Sample Documents**
<https://www.ndci.org/resource/sample-documents/>
11. **Ethical Considerations for Judges and Attorneys in Drug Court**
<https://www.ndci.org/wp-content/uploads/ethicalconsiderations.pdf>

Standard 2. Legal and Clinical Eligibility

1. **National Association of Drug Court Professionals Best Practice Standards-Volume I**
<https://www.nadcp.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/12/Adult-Drug-Court-Best-Practice-Standards-Volume-I-Text-Revision-December-2018-1.pdf>
2. **Know Who They Are and What They Need: Screenings and Assessment for Co-Occurring Disorders**
<https://www.ndci.org/know-who-they-are-and-what-they-need-screening-and-assessment-for-co-occurring-disorders/>

Standard 2. Legal and Clinical Eligibility - cont.

3. **Selecting and Using Risk and Need Assessments**
<https://www.ndci.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/09/Fact-Sheet-Risk-Assessment.pdf>
4. **Targeting the Right Participants for Adult Drug Courts**
<https://www.ndci.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/04/Targeting-The-Right-Participants.pdf>
5. **The Most Carefully Studied, Yet Least Understood, Terms in the Criminal Justice Lexicon: Risk, Need, and Responsivity**
<https://www.prainc.com/risk-need-responsivity/>
6. **Alternative Tracks in Adult Drug Courts**
<https://www.ndci.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/09/AlternativeTracksInAdultDrugCourts.pdf>
7. **National Drug Court Institute Equity and Inclusion Resources**
<https://www.ndci.org/resource/training/equity/>

Standard 3. Program Entry and Case Flow

1. **National Association of Drug Court Professionals Best Practice Standards-Volume I**
<https://www.nadcp.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/12/Adult-Drug-Court-Best-Practice-Standards-Volume-I-Text-Revision-December-2018-1.pdf>
2. **Selecting and Using Risk and Need Assessments**
<https://www.ndci.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/09/Fact-Sheet-Risk-Assessment.pdf>
3. **National Drug Court Institute Annals of Research and Knowledge (ARK)**
<https://www.ndci.org/resource/the-ark/>
4. **Treatment Provider Training**
<https://www.ndci.org/resource/training/treatment-provider-training/>
5. **Confidentiality and Drug Courts**
<https://nadcpconference.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/05/SB-5.pdf>
6. **Substance Abuse Confidentiality Regulations**
<https://www.samhsa.gov/about-us/who-we-are/laws-regulations/confidentiality-regulations-faqs>
7. **Fact Sheet: SAMHSA 42 CFR Part 2 Revised Rule**
<https://www.hhs.gov/about/news/2020/07/13/fact-sheet-samhsa-42-cfr-part-2-revised-rule.html>
8. **Licensed Mental Health Clinician Administered Assessments and Measures:**
 - **DSM-5 Cross cutting measure (Comprehensive DSM-5 Diagnosis Tool for MH & SUD)**
<https://www.psychiatry.org/psychiatrists/practice/dsm/educational-resources/assessment-measures>
 - **Beck Depression Inventory-II (BDI-II)** <https://www.pearsonassessments.com/store/usassessments/en/Store/Professional-Assessments/Personality-%26-Biopsychosocial/Beck-Depression-Inventory-II/p/100000159.html>
 - **Beck Anxiety Inventory (BAI)** <https://www.gphealth.org/media/1087/anxiety.pdf>
 - **Generalized Anxiety Disorder 7-Item Scale (GAD-7)** <https://med.dartmouth-hitchcock.org/documents/GAD-7-anxiety-screen.pdf>
 - **Mental Health Screening Form-III (MHSFIII)** <http://forensiccounselor.org/images/file/MHSF%20III.pdf>

Standard 3. Program Entry and Case Flow - cont.

- **Modified Mini-Screen (MMS)** <http://www.bhevolution.org/public/document/mms.pdf>
- **Mood Disorder Questionnaire (MDQ)** https://www.ohsu.edu/sites/default/files/2019-06/cms-quality-bipolar_disorder_mdq_screener.pdf
- **Symptom Checklist-90-Revised (SCL-90-R)** <https://www.pearsonassessments.com/store/usassessments/en/Store/Professional-Assessments/Personality-%26-Biopsychosocial/Symptom-Checklist-90-Revised/p/100000645.html>

9. SUD Specific (all are ASAM recommended and Cross Culturally Appropriate)

- **NIDA Modified ASSIST Drug Use Screening Tool** <https://www.drugabuse.gov/sites/default/files/pdf/nmassist.pdf>
- **Alcohol Use Disorders Identification Test (AUDIT)-** <https://www.drugabuse.gov/sites/default/files/audit.pdf>

10. Trauma and TBI Specific Screens and Measures:

- **Life Experiences Checklist (LEC)** https://www.ptsd.va.gov/professional/assessment/te-measures/life_events_checklist.asp
- **PTSD Checklist (PCL)**
<https://www.ptsd.va.gov/professional/assessment/adult-sr/ptsd-checklist.asp>
- **Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACE)**
https://www.cdc.gov/violenceprevention/aces/about.html?CDC_AA_refVal=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.cdc.gov%2Fviolenceprevention%2Facestudy%2Fabout.html
- **Traumatic Brain Injury OSU TBI ID:**
<https://wexnermedical.osu.edu/neurological-institute/departments-and-centers/research-centers/ohio-valley-center-for-brain-injury-prevention-and-rehabilitation/osu-tbi-id>
- **Clinician Administered PTSD Scale (CAPS-5)**
<https://www.ptsd.va.gov/professional/assessment/adult-int/caps.asp>

11. Critical Issues for Defense Attorneys in Drug Court

<https://www.ndci.org/wp-content/uploads/Mono4.CriticalIssues.pdf>

12. The Role of Defense Counsel in Drug Courts

<https://www.american.edu/spa/jpo/initiatives/drug-court/upload/defense-counsel-fact-sheet.pdf>

Standard 4. Treatment and Rehabilitation

1. **National Association of Drug Court Professionals Best Practice Standards-Volume I**
<https://www.nadcp.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/12/Adult-Drug-Court-Best-Practice-Standards-Volume-I-Text-Revision-December-2018-1.pdf>
2. **National Association of Drug Court Professionals Best Practice Standards-Volume II**
<https://www.nadcp.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/12/Adult-Drug-Court-Best-Practice-Standards-Volume-2-Text-Revision-December-2018-1.pdf>
3. **SAMHSA Evidence-Based Practices Resource Center**
<https://www.samhsa.gov/ebp-resource-center>

Standard 4. Treatment and Rehabilitation - *cont.*

4. **Treatment Provider Training**
<https://www.ndci.org/resource/training/treatment-provider-training/>
5. **How to Assess Quality Treatment Providers**
https://www.ncsc.org/_data/assets/pdf_file/0012/17103/quality_tx_provider_assessment_rjoi.pdf
6. **Expanding Your Treatment Options for Individuals with Co-Occurring Disorders**
<https://www.ndci.org/expanding-your-treatment-options-for-individuals-with-co-occurring-disorders/>
7. **Six Steps to Improve Your Drug Court Outcomes for Adults with Co-Occurring Disorders**
<https://www.ndci.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/09/C-O-FactSheet.pdf>
8. **Effective Alcohol Treatment: Doing the Right Thing the Right Way**
<https://www.ndci.org/effective-alcohol-treatment-doing-the-right-thing-the-right-way/>
9. **Evidence Based Practices**
<https://www.ndci.org/evidence-based-practices/>
10. **Psychopharmacology**
<https://www.ndci.org/psychopharmacology/>
11. **Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder**
<https://www.ndci.org/post-traumatic-stress-disorder/>
12. **Designer Drugs: What Drug Court Practitioners Need to Know**
<https://www.ndci.org/wp-content/uploads/Designer%20Drugs.pdf>
13. **Methamphetamine in Treatment Court**
<https://courses.ncsc.org/course/meth>
14. **Relapse**
<https://www.ndci.org/post-8955/>
15. **Medication Assisted Treatment**
<https://www.ndci.org/resource/training/medication-assisted-treatment/online-course/>
16. **The Supreme Court of Ohio Principles for the Use of Medication Assisted Treatment in Drug Courts**
<https://www.supremecourt.ohio.gov/JCS/specDockets/resources/MATPrinciples.pdf>
17. **A Drug Court Team Member's Guide to Medication in Addiction Treatment**
https://www.ndci.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/02/Pocket-Guide-B_DC-Team-Members.pdf
18. **A Drug Court Clinician's Guide for Linking People to Opioid Treatment Services**
https://www.ndci.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/02/Pocket-Guide-A_Clinicians.pdf
19. **Understanding Medication in Addiction Treatment for Drug Court Participants**
https://www.ndci.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/02/Pocket-Guide-C_Participants.pdf
20. **Medication Assisted Treatment for Opioid Use Disorders in Drug Courts**
https://www.ndci.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/09/mat_fact_sheet-1.pdf
21. **Understanding and Detecting Prescription Drug Misuse and Misuse Disorders**
https://www.ndci.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/09/18371_NDCI_Rx_Drugs_FS_v4.pdf
20. **MAT Basics and How to Find a Quality MAT Provider**
https://www.ncsc.org/_data/assets/pdf_file/0022/16771/medication_assisted_treatment_rjoi.pdf

Standard 4. Treatment and Rehabilitation - cont.

- 21. Transitioning to a Family Centered Approach**
<https://www.ndci.org/resources/transitioning-to-a-family-centered-approach/>
- 22. Naloxone**
<https://www.ndci.org/resource/training/e-learning/naloxone-training/>
- 23. Please see the Supreme Court of Ohio's Domestic Violence Drug Court Guiding Document**
- 24. Please see the Supreme Court of Ohio's CORE COMPONENTS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COURTS: A National Perspective for Ohio Courts**
- 25. Supreme Court of Ohio Language Services Program**
<https://www.sconet.state.oh.us/JCS/interpreterSvcs/default.asp>
- 26. From Drug Court to Classroom**
<https://www.courtinnovation.org/publications/drug-court-classroom-creating-court-college-program-interns-manual>

Standard 5. Docket Progressions

- 1. National Association of Drug Court Professionals Best Practice Standards-Volume I**
<https://www.nadcp.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/12/Adult-Drug-Court-Best-Practice-Standards-Volume-I-Text-Revision-December-2018-1.pdf>
- 2. National Association of Drug Court Professionals Best Practice Standards-Volume II**
<https://www.nadcp.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/12/Adult-Drug-Court-Best-Practice-Standards-Volume-2-Text-Revision-December-2018-1.pdf>
- 3. Sample Documents**
<https://www.ndci.org/resource/sample-documents/>
- 4. Revisiting the Phases in Adult Drug & DWI Treatment Courts**
<https://nadcpconference.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/06/TS-9.pdf>

Standard 6. Treatment Team

- 1. National Association of Drug Court Professionals Best Practice Standards-Volume I**
<https://www.nadcp.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/12/Adult-Drug-Court-Best-Practice-Standards-Volume-I-Text-Revision-December-2018-1.pdf>
- 2. National Association of Drug Court Professionals Best Practice Standards-Volume II**
<https://www.nadcp.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/12/Adult-Drug-Court-Best-Practice-Standards-Volume-2-Text-Revision-December-2018-1.pdf>
- 3. Law Enforcement Training**
<https://www.ndci.org/resource/training/law-enforcement/>
- 4. From the Front Lines: The Case That Made Me a Believer in Treatment Court**
https://www.ndci.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/02/BosseAllRiseSpring18_Final.pdf
- 5. Law Enforcement Essentials for Treatment Courts**
https://www.ndci.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/02/LawEnfBriefingsFlyer_Final.pdf

Standard 6. Treatment Team - cont.

6. **Treatment Provider Training**
<https://www.ndci.org/resource/training/treatment-provider-training/>
7. **The Beat: A Law Enforcement Officer's Guide to Drug Court**
https://courses.ncsc.org/course/The_Beat
8. **Sample Documents**
<https://www.ndci.org/resource/sample-documents/>
9. **Critical Issues for Defense Attorneys in Drug Court**
<https://www.ndci.org/wp-content/uploads/Mono4.CriticalIssues.pdf>
10. **The Role of Defense Counsel in Drug Courts**
<https://www.american.edu/spa/jpo/initiatives/drug-court/upload/defense-counsel-fact-sheet.pdf>
11. **The Role of Prosecutors in Drug Treatment Courts**
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1c2WclGgoYM>
12. **Practicing Law in Problem Solving Courts**
<http://www.ohiochannel.org/video/practicing-law-in-problem-solving-courts>
13. **Drug Court Resources-ASAM**
<https://www.asam.org/Quality-Science/quality/guidelines-and-consensus-documents/drug-courts>
14. **All Roles**
<https://www.ndci.org/all-roles/>

Standard 7. Participant Monitoring

1. **National Association of Drug Court Professionals Best Practice Standards-Volume I**
<https://www.nadcp.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/12/Adult-Drug-Court-Best-Practice-Standards-Volume-I-Text-Revision-December-2018-1.pdf>
2. **National Association of Drug Court Professionals Best Practice Standards-Volume II**
<https://www.nadcp.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/12/Adult-Drug-Court-Best-Practice-Standards-Volume-2-Text-Revision-December-2018-1.pdf>
3. **Probation Practices in Treatment Court**
<https://www.ndci.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/09/Probation-Fact-Sheet.pdf>
4. **Community Supervision**
<https://www.ndci.org/community-supervision-2/>
5. **Using Remote Technology to Enhance Criminal Justice Outcomes: Bringing Treatment Courts, Probation and Parole into the 21st Century**
<https://ndrc.org/best-practice-topic/using-remote-technology-to-enhance-criminal-justice-outcomes-bringing-treatment-courts-probation-and-parole-into-the-21st-century/>
6. **Motivational Interviewing for Probation Officers**
https://ndrc.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/Motivational_Interviewing_for_Probation_Officers_Tipping_the_Balance_Toward_Change.pdf

Standard 8. Incentives, Sanctions, and Therapeutic Adjustments

1. **National Association of Drug Court Professionals Best Practice Standards-Volume I**
<https://www.nadcp.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/12/Adult-Drug-Court-Best-Practice-Standards-Volume-I-Text-Revision-December-2018-1.pdf>
2. **Incentives and Sanctions**
<https://www.ndci.org/webinar-incentives-and-sanctions/>
3. **Making the Most of Incentives and Sanctions**
<https://www.ndci.org/wp-content/uploads/BehaviorModification101forDrugCourts.pdf>
4. **National Drug Court Institute Resources**
<https://www.ndci.org/resource/training/incentives-and-sanctions/>
5. **Incentives Sanctions and Therapeutic Adjustments**
<https://nadcpconference.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/07/C-2-1.pdf>

Standard 9. Substance Monitoring

1. **National Association of Drug Court Professionals Best Practice Standards-Volume II**
<https://www.nadcp.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/12/Adult-Drug-Court-Best-Practice-Standards-Volume-2-Text-Revision-December-2018-1.pdf>
2. **What 2012 SAMHSA Guidelines on EtG/EtS Mean for Drug Courts**
<https://www.ndci.org/what-the-2012-samhsa-guidelines-on-etgets-means-for-drug-courts/>
3. **Urine Creatinine Measurements in Abstinence Monitoring**
<https://www.ndci.org/post-8960/>
4. **Onsite Heroin Screening**
<https://www.ndci.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/09/Heroin-Screening.pdf>
5. **Oral Fluid Testing**
<https://www.ndci.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/09/Oral-Fluid-Drug-Testing-Foils-Cheaters.pdf>
6. **Best Practices Review: Drug & Alcohol Testing**
<https://nadcpconference.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/06/A-14.pdf>
7. **Drug Testing 101**
<http://www.supremecourt.ohio.gov/JCS/specDockets/conference/2018/materials/F2/F2.pdf>
8. **Commission on Specialized Dockets Substance Monitoring Guidance**
<https://www.supremecourt.ohio.gov/JCS/specDockets/substanceMonitoringGuide.pdf>

Standard 10. Program Completion

1. **National Association of Drug Court Professionals Best Practice Standards-Volume I**
<https://www.nadcp.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/12/Adult-Drug-Court-Best-Practice-Standards-Volume-I-Text-Revision-December-2018-1.pdf>
2. **National Association of Drug Court Professionals Best Practice Standards-Volume II**
<https://www.nadcp.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/12/Adult-Drug-Court-Best-Practice-Standards-Volume-2-Text-Revision-December-2018-1.pdf>
3. **Sample Documents**
<https://www.ndci.org/resource/sample-documents/>

Standard 11. Professional Education

1. **National Drug Court Institute**
<https://www.ndci.org/>
2. **National Drug Court Resource Center**
<https://ndcrc.org/>
3. **Center for Court Innovation**
<https://www.courtinnovation.org/areas-of-focus/treatment-courts>
4. **National Center for State Courts**
<https://www.ncsc.org/services-and-experts/areas-of-expertise/problem-solving-courts>
5. **Treatment Court Online**
<http://treatmentcourts.org/>
6. **Sample Documents**
<https://www.ndci.org/resource/sample-documents/>
7. **Ohio Judicial College**
<https://www.sconet.state.oh.us/Boards/judCollege/default.aspx>

Standard 12. Effectiveness Evaluation

1. **National Association of Drug Court Professionals Best Practice Standards-Volume II**
<https://www.nadcp.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/12/Adult-Drug-Court-Best-Practice-Standards-Volume-2-Text-Revision-December-2018-1.pdf>
2. **Multisite Drug Court Evaluation**
<https://www.ndci.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/09/Multisite-Adult-Drug-Court-Evaluation-NADCP.pdf>
3. **Research Update on Adult Drug Courts**
https://www.ndci.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/09/Research-Update-on-Adult-Drug-Courts-NADCP_1.pdf
4. **Tracking Participant Progress During COVID-19: What Data to Collect and Why**
<https://www.nadcp.org/covid-19-resources/training-and-publications/tracking-participant-progress-during-covid-19-what-data-to-collect-and-why/>
5. **Developing a Statewide Drug Court Data Tracking System**
<https://www.courtinnovation.org/sites/default/files/documents/drugcourtdatasystem.pdf>
6. **Local Drug Court Research**
https://bja.ojp.gov/sites/g/files/xyckuh186/files/Publications/Local_Drug_Court_Research.pdf
7. **Supreme Court of Ohio Specialized Docket Data Collection**
<https://www.sconet.state.oh.us/JCS/specDockets/default.asp>

Standard 13. Constitutional and Due Process Rights

1. **Constitutional and Other Legal Issues in Drug Court**
<https://www.ndci.org/law-2-2/>
2. **Constitutional Issues in Drug Courts**
<https://nadcpconference.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/06/B-18.pdf>
3. **Law, Ethics, and Medication Assisted Treatment**
<https://nadcpconference.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/07/C-15.pdf>
4. **Commission on Specialized Dockets Guidance: Constitutional Rights of Participants**
<https://www.sconet.state.oh.us/JCS/specDockets/guidanceConstitutionalStandards.pdf>