

**A Guide to
Transferring
Florida's Problem-
Solving Court Cases**

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WHAT, WHO, WHEN, AND WHY?

- **WHAT** is *A Guide to Transferring Florida's Problem-Solving Court Cases*? The purpose of this transfer guide is to assist problem-solving courts with transferring cases between jurisdictions effectively and efficiently.
- **WHO** should use *A Guide to Transferring Florida's Problem-Solving Court Cases*? Judges, magistrates, court staff, and attorneys will find the information in the transfer guide helpful.
- **WHEN** should *A Guide to Transferring Florida's Problem-Solving Court Cases* be used? Now! Florida's problem-solving courts admit thousands of clients every year, several hundred of which are transferred from one jurisdiction to another.
- **WHY** use *A Guide to Transferring Florida's Problem-Solving Court Cases*? It will assist judges, magistrates, court staff, and attorneys to meet the challenges of responding to the needs of clients with substance use and/or mental health disorders.

Florida currently has 94 drug courts, 24 veterans courts, and 28 mental health courts.

A Guide to Transferring Florida's Problem-Solving Court Cases includes information on adult drug courts and veterans courts. The Office of the State Courts Administrator (OSCA) is looking to further expand this guide to other problem solving courts due to recent legislative changes.

The information provided in this document was provided by the local problem-solving courts and edited by the OSCA.

BACKGROUND

In 2001, section 910.035(5), Florida Statutes (*the transfer statute*) was created stating “any person eligible for participation in a drug court treatment program pursuant to s. 948.08(6) may be eligible to have the case transferred to a county other than that in which the charge arose if the drug court program agrees” and if certain conditions are met. Around the same time, the Florida Association of Drug Court Professionals (FADCP) developed recommended procedures, (included in this guide) to assist drug court staff with the transfer process.

In 2002, in an effort to improve the transfer process, the Supreme Court’s Task Force on Treatment-Based Drug Courts recommended modifying some of the conditions in which a drug court case can be transferred. In 2006, the transfer statute was modified by the Florida Legislature to include the Task Force’s recommendations.

In 2015, the Florida Legislature expanded the transfer statute to include other types of drug courts such as post-adjudicatory drug courts and pretrial misdemeanor drug courts, as well as other problem-solving courts, specifically, veterans courts and mental health courts. In 2016, the Florida Legislature further expanded the transfer statute to include delinquency pretrial intervention programs.

The Office of the State Courts Administrator recommends problem-solving courts requesting to transfer a client’s case ensure the client meets all requirements of the receiving jurisdiction and ensure the Department of Corrections has completed the intake and investigation before requesting a transfer, if applicable.

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PROBLEM-SOLVING COURT TRANSFER STATUTE

Section 910.035, F.S. Transfer from county for plea, sentence, or participation in a problem-solving court.

(5) TRANSFER FOR PARTICIPATION IN A PROBLEM-SOLVING COURT.

(a) For purposes of this subsection, the term “problem-solving court” means a drug court pursuant to s. 948.01, s. 948.06, s. 948.08, s. 948.16, or s. 948.20; a military veterans’ and servicemembers’ court pursuant to s. 394.47891, s. 948.08, s. 948.16, or s. 948.21; a mental health court program pursuant to s. 394.47892, s. 948.01, s. 948.06, s. 948.08, or s. 948.16; or a delinquency pretrial intervention court program pursuant to s. 985.345.

(b) Any person eligible for participation in a problem-solving court shall, upon request by the person or a court, have the case transferred to a county other than that in which the charge arose if the person agrees to the transfer, the authorized representative of the trial court consults with the authorized representative of the problem-solving court in the county to which transfer is desired, and both representatives agree to the transfer.

(c) If all parties agree to the transfer as required by paragraph (b), the trial court shall enter a transfer order directing the clerk to transfer the case to the county which has accepted the defendant into its problem-solving court.

(d) 1. When transferring a pretrial problem-solving court case, the transfer order shall include a copy of the probable cause affidavit; any charging documents in the case; all reports, witness statements, test results, evidence lists, and other documents in the case; the defendant’s mailing address and telephone number; and the defendant’s written consent to abide by the rules and procedures of the receiving county’s problem-solving court.

2. When transferring a post adjudicatory problem-solving court case, the transfer order shall include a copy of the charging documents in the case; the final disposition; all reports, test results, and other documents in the case; the defendant’s mailing address and telephone number; and the defendant’s written consent to abide by the rules and procedures of the receiving county’s problem-solving court.

(e) After the transfer takes place, the receiving clerk shall set the matter for a hearing before the problem-solving court in the receiving jurisdiction to ensure the defendant’s entry into the problem-solving court.

(f) Upon successful completion of the problem-solving court program, the jurisdiction to which the case has been transferred shall dispose of the case. If the defendant does not complete the problem-solving court program successfully, the jurisdiction to which the case has been transferred shall dispose of the case within the guidelines of the Criminal Punishment Code.

RECOMMENDED PROCEDURE FOR TRANSFERRING PROBLEM-SOLVING COURT CASES

- Upon learning of a desired transfer, the coordinator from the sending jurisdiction will consult with the coordinator in the receiving jurisdiction to notify them about the proposed transfer. A background investigation or criminal history will then be forwarded to the receiving county.
- If the approval for transfer is received from all parties, the coordinator from the sending jurisdiction will prepare an Agreed Order to Transfer and a Court Order Ratifying Agreement to Transfer Jurisdiction and Venue for Disposition Pursuant to Section 910.035, F.S. to be signed by the Judge in the transferring/sending jurisdiction (see sample orders included).
- The coordinator in the sending jurisdiction will notify the clerk contact in the sending jurisdiction, to provide them with the original Agreed Order to Transfer and Court Order Ratifying Agreement to Transfer Jurisdiction and Venue for Disposition Pursuant to Section 910.035, F.S.
- The coordinator in the sending jurisdiction will send a copy of the Agreed Order to Transfer and Court Order Ratifying Agreement to Transfer Jurisdiction and Venue for Disposition Pursuant to Section 910.035, F.S. to the coordinator of the receiving county.
- The defendant will call the coordinator in the receiving jurisdiction upon arrival. The coordinator will be responsible for tracking the case, i.e., ensuring that the defendant has the correct contact information for the treatment provider and if applicable, the Department of Corrections. The coordinator will also notify the treatment provider and, if applicable, the Department of Corrections of the transfer.
- The coordinator or the clerk's office will supply copies of the Agreed Order to Transfer and Court Order Ratifying Agreement to Transfer Jurisdiction and Venue for Disposition Pursuant to Section 910.035, F.S. to the assistant state attorney, defense counsel, Department of Corrections, treatment, and the defendant.
- The clerk's office in the sending jurisdiction will send certified copies of all documents in the court file to the clerk's office of the receiving county (see note below).

Note: Section 910.035(5) (d)1., F.S. requires that:

When transferring a pretrial problem-solving court case, the transfer order shall include a copy of the probable cause affidavit; any charging documents in the

case; all reports, witness statements, test results, evidence lists, and other documents in the case; the defendant's mailing address and telephone number; and the defendant's written consent to abide by the rules and procedures of the receiving county's problem-solving court.

Section 910.035(5) (d) 2. requires that:

When transferring a post adjudicatory problem-solving court case, the transfer order shall include a copy of the charging documents in the case; the final disposition; all reports, test results, and other documents in the case; the defendant's mailing address and telephone number; and the defendant's written consent to abide by the rules and procedures of the receiving county's problem-solving court.

- The clerk's office or the coordinator (pursuant to the county/circuit policy) of the receiving jurisdiction is responsible for setting the case on the docket for a hearing before the judge once the transfer has taken place.
- The coordinator in the receiving jurisdiction is responsible for ensuring that the case receives a first hearing date.
- Once the case appears on the docket of the receiving jurisdiction, the coordinator in the receiving jurisdiction will notify the coordinator in the sending jurisdiction that the transfer has been completed. Notification of acceptance will be in the form of a Transfer Acceptance Letter (see sample letter included).

SAMPLE AGREED ORDER OF TRANSFER

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE XXXXXXXX JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN AND FOR XXXXXXXX COUNTY, STATE OF FLORIDA
CRIMINAL DIVISION

STATE OF FLORIDA

CASE NO.:

V.

_____ /

AGREED ORDER OF TRANSFER

The defendant, _____ requests that the case be transferred to _____ County, Florida, pursuant to section 910.035(5), F.S. and agrees to abide by the rules and procedures of the receiving county's drug court program.

Defendant's Signature

Defendant's Mailing Address:

Defendant's Phone Number

The Clerk of the Circuit Court for XXXXXX County is directed to include a copy of the probable cause affidavit, charging documents, and any other pleadings filed in this case. The State Attorney for XXXXXXXX County shall provide the State Attorney for the receiving jurisdiction with all reports, witness statements, test results, evidence lists, and other documents.

DONE AND ORDERED this _____ day of
_____, 20____, in XXXXXXXX County, Florida.

_____, Circuit Judge

Copies furnished:

Assistant State Attorney

Defense Counsel

Drug Court Coordinator

Department of Corrections

Defendant

SAMPLE COURT ORDER RATIFYING AGREEMENT TO TRANSFER

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE XXXXXXXXX JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA IN AND FOR XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX COUNTY
CRIMINAL DIVISION

STATE OF FLORIDA
V.

CASE NO.:

DIVISION:

_____ /

**COURT ORDER RATIFYING AGREEMENT TO
TRANSFER JURISDICTION AND VENUE FOR DISPOSITION
PURSUANT TO SECTION 910.035(5), F.S.**

Defendant in this cause, _____, requests that the charges
_____, originating in the aforementioned circuit, be
transferred to _____ County, Florida, pursuant to section 910.035 (5), F.S. and
subject to the terms of this agreement.

Defendant hereby acknowledges that he/she is a qualified client in a drug court program
pursuant to Florida Statute 948.08 (6) and may be eligible to have the case transferred to a
county other than that in which the charge arose, provided that the defendant agrees to and
abides by the program rules and procedures of both the originating and receiving jurisdictions
and subject to the terms of this agreement.

Defendant understands and agrees that to be eligible to transfer this case to a county other
than which the charge arose he/she is entering a plea of nolo contendere to the charges of
_____. Defendant agrees to comply with all requirements
of the drug court program and further agrees to waive his/her right to trial and to proceed directly
to sentencing in the receiving jurisdiction upon failure to successfully complete the drug court
program. Upon successful completion of the drug court program, the defendant will be
permitted to withdraw the previously entered plea of nolo contendere and the State Attorney will
drop the charges on behalf of the originating jurisdiction. The clerk of the receiving jurisdiction
shall advise the clerk of the originating jurisdiction that the charges were dismissed.

A full plea colloquy has been conducted by the court and a written plea form executed by
the defendant demonstrating that defendant has entered a plea of nolo contendere to the above
stated charge(s) knowingly, freely, voluntarily, and intelligently, which is attached to and
incorporated by reference into this agreement.

Defendant understands and acknowledges that he/she is responsible for court costs
imposed by each participating jurisdiction and all treatment fees, if applicable.

Defendant's Signature

Defendant's Phone Number

Defendant's Mail Address

The Clerk of the Circuit Court for _____ County is directed to transfer jurisdiction and venue of the case for disposition to _____, and to include a copy of the probable cause affidavit, charging documents, and any other pleadings filed in the case. The State Attorney for _____ County shall provide the State Attorney for the receiving jurisdiction with all reports, witness statements, testing results, evidence lists, and other documents.

DONE AND ORDERED this _____ day of _____, 20____,
in _____ County, Florida.

, Circuit Judge

- Copies furnished to:
- Assistant State Attorney
- Defense Counsel
- Drug Court Coordinator
- Department of Corrections
- Defendant

SAMPLE ACCEPTANCE LETTER

(Date)

Reference: (Name)
(Race / Sex)
(Date of Birth)

Case Number: (in sending county)

TRANSFER ACCEPTANCE

The _____ Judicial Circuit / _____ Drug Court agrees to accept Transfer of Jurisdiction and Venue on the case of _____ from (Circuit / County). The defendant in this case has signed an Agreement accepting the terms of the _____ Drug Court and has entered into treatment as ordered.

The defendant's case number(s) on the transferred charge (s) in _____ County is:
_____.

The defendant's first appearance in _____ County on the transferred charge (s) is scheduled for _____.

If you have any questions feel free to contact me at _____.

(Signature)

Drug Court Coordinator

FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
Escambia County
Adult Drug Court (Post-Adjudication)

Drug Court Coordinator

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Transfer Requirements

- This jurisdiction does not participate in the statewide transfer of problem-solving court cases.

Program Eligibility

- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Must reside in Escambia or Santa Rosa Counties.
- Must have drug/alcohol addiction.
- Eligible charges include purchase, possession, or manufacturing of a controlled substance; prescription forgery; introduction of contraband into jail; thefts; forgeries; uttering forgeries; worthless checks; burglaries; and dealing in stolen property.
- Ineligible charges include any violent crime and DUI.
- Violations of probation are accepted.

Program Requirements

- Must enter a plea of no contest or guilty.
- Must attend AA/NA/CA or other community based program a minimum of twice weekly.
- Must attend weekly court reviews in Phase 1, bi-weekly in Phase 2, every 3 weeks in Phase 3, and every 8 weeks in aftercare.
- Must submit to random, observed urinalysis and/or breathalyzer testing.
- Must work or be enrolled in school at least 20 hours per week or perform 20 hours of community service work and 10 job searches per week.

FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
Escambia County
Veterans Court (Post-Adjudication)

Veterans Court Coordinator

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Transfer Requirements

- This jurisdiction does not participate in the statewide transfer of problem-solving court cases.

Program Eligibility

- Must be a veteran.
- Must have a treatable behavioral, mental, or chemical health problem as a result of trauma experienced while serving in a combat/ war zone.

Program Requirements

- Must enter a plea of nolo contendere or guilty.
- Must participate in an employment/ educational/ vocational program.
- Must comply with the treatment case plan.

FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
Okaloosa County
Adult Drug Court (Post-Adjudication)

Drug Court Coordinator

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Transfer Requirements

- This jurisdiction does not participate in the statewide transfer of problem-solving court cases.

Program Eligibility

- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Must have a drug/alcohol addiction.
- Must have an open felony case.
- Ineligible charge(s) include any violent crime, weapons, or sexual misconduct.
- Violations of probation are accepted.

Program Requirements

- Must be placed on community control or probation.
- Must work a minimum of 32 hours per week or perform 32 hours of community service work.
- If unemployed, must actively perform job searches.
- Must attend AA/NA/CA or other community-based program 4 times weekly at a minimum.

FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
Okaloosa County
Veterans Court (Pretrial {Pre Plea} and Post-Adjudication)

**Veterans Court Coordinator/
Designee for Handling Transfers**

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Clerk of Court Contact

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Program Eligibility

- Must be a veteran.
- Must have a treatable behavioral, mental, or chemical health problem as a result of trauma experienced while serving in a combat/war zone.

Program Requirements

- Must be placed on a period of probation.
- Must attend AA/NA/CA or other community based support program.
- Must perform community service work.
- Must obtain employment or be enrolled in school.
- Must submit to random/observed drug and alcohol testing.
- Must attend court twice monthly.
- Must attend treatment as required.
- Must maintain contact with mentor, if assigned.

Transfer Requirements

- Must meet veterans court criteria (military background, acceptable type of charges, criminal history, sentencing score, etc.).
- Must obtain an order transferring jurisdiction.
- Must enter a plea.
- Must be supervised by the Department of Corrections.

SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
Gadsden County
Adult Drug Court (Pretrial {Pre-Plea})

Drug Court Coordinator

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Program Eligibility

- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Must be a resident of Gadsden County.
- Must have a substance use disorder.
- Must be a first time felony.

Program Requirements

- Must submit to random urinalysis and drug testing.
- Must attend monthly court appearances.

Transfer Requirements

- Must transfer jurisdiction and venue.
- Must be approved by the state attorney.
- Transfer paperwork must be approved by the drug court coordinator and contain a court date.

SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
Leon County
Adult Drug Court (Pretrial {Pre-Plea})

**Drug Court Coordinator/
Designee for Handling Transfers**

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Clerk of Court Contact

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Program Eligibility

- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Criminal history may not include a felony drug charge (i.e. no selling or trafficking).

Program Requirements

- Must not take any mood altering (narcotics or alcohol) drugs for the duration of program.
- Must have a probation officer assigned and meet with the probation officer once per month.
- Must attend 12-Step or alternative meeting one time per week during the last six months.
- Must obtain employment or be enrolled in school.
- Must submit to oral or urine drug testing (phase one and two required a minimum two times per week, phase three a minimum of one time per week (random line must be called Monday through Friday)).
- Must attend substance use group counseling (phase one once per week), relapse prevention (phase two twice per month), and a minimum of 6 one-on-one counseling sessions.
- Must attend all court appearances as follows: phase one and two, minimum one time per month; phase three, once every three months.

Transfer Requirements

- Must transfer venue.
- Must be approved by the state attorney.
- Must be supervised by the Department of Corrections.
- Must enter a plea for circuit-to-circuit transfers but not for within circuit transfers.
- A motion to transfer must be filed with supporting documents.

SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Leon County

Veterans Court (Pretrial {Pre-Plea} and Post-Adjudication)

Veterans Court Coordinator/ Designee for Handling Transfers

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Program Eligibility

- Must be a veteran or service member.
- Must have a documented military-related mental health diagnosis including, but not limited to, post-traumatic stress disorder, traumatic brain injury, a substance use disorder, or mental health disorder.
- Must participate in assessments and meetings.
- Must voluntarily agree to be a part of, and comply with, the program.
- Must be approved for enrollment in the program.

Program Requirements

- Must attend individual and/or group counseling.
- Must submit to drug/alcohol testing.
- Must complete community service hours.
- Must attend all court appearances.
- Must comply with treatment plan.
- Must submit to monitoring by pre-trial, county, or Department of Corrections supervision.
- Must pay all fees/restitution.
- Must complete all 4 Phases of program successfully to graduate (includes mandatory number of sobriety days)

Transfer Requirements

- Must transfer jurisdiction and venue on a case by case basis.
- Must be approved by veterans court team prior to the transfer.
- Must submit to monitoring by pre-trial, county, or Department of Corrections supervision.

FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Clay County

Adult Drug Court (Pretrial {Post Plea/Pre-Adjudication} and Post-Adjudication)

Drug Court Coordinator/ Designee for Handling Transfers

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Program Eligibility

- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Must be a resident of Clay County.
- Eligible charges include non-violent 2nd or 3rd degree felonies.
- Must not have a current or prior history of violent crimes or sex crimes.
- Must be screened for placement in intensive outpatient treatment services at a minimum, for a substance use and/or mental health disorders.
- Must have victim consent, if applicable.

Program Requirements

- Must attend ongoing substance use and/or mental health treatment for a minimum of 12 months and complete all 5 phases of the program.
- Must submit to all required examinations or assessments to determine appropriate treatment placement and services.
- Must submit to random observed drug testing at least 2 times per week.
- Must attend sobriety support meetings/activities, participate in services with a court case manager, be supervised by a probation officer, attend court frequently, and follow all rules and regulations of the program.
- Must obtain employment or be enrolled in school.
- Must complete GED prior to program completion, if applicable.

Transfer Requirements

- Must transfer jurisdiction and venue.
- Must enter a plea if transferring from outside of the 4th circuit.
- Must receive prior approval to transfer from the 4th circuit.

FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Clay County

Veterans Court (Pretrial {Post Plea/Pre-Adjudication} and Post-Adjudication)

Veterans Court Coordinator/ Designee for Handling Transfers

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Program Eligibility

- Must be a veteran, active-duty service member or reservist in good standing.
- Eligible charges include non-violent misdemeanors or non-violent 2nd or 3rd degree felonies.
- Must be a resident of Clay County.
- Must have victim consent, if applicable.
- Must not have a current or prior history of violent crimes or sex crimes.
- Must be diagnosed with a service-related substance use and/or mental health disorder including but not limited to, post-traumatic stress disorder, traumatic brain injury or major depressive disorder.

Program Requirements

- Must attend ongoing substance use and/or mental health treatment for a minimum of 12 months and complete all 5 phases of the program.
- Must submit to all required examinations or assessments to determine appropriate treatment placement and services.
- Must submit to random observed drug testing at least 2 times per week.
- Must attend sobriety support meetings/activities, participate in services with a volunteer veteran mentor, participate in services with a court case manager, attend court frequently, and follow all rules and regulations of the program.

Transfer Requirements

- Must transfer jurisdiction and venue.
- Must enter a plea.

FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Duval County

Adult Drug Court (Pretrial {Post Plea/Pre-Adjudication} and Post-Adjudication)

Drug Court Coordinator/ Designee for Handling Transfers

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Program Eligibility

- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Must be a resident of Duval County.
- Eligible charges include non-violent 2nd or 3rd degree felonies.
- Must have victim consent, if applicable.
- Must not have a current or prior history of violent crimes or sex crimes.
- Must be screened for placement in intensive outpatient treatment for substance use or co-occurring disorders.

Program Requirements

- Must attend ongoing substance use/co-occurring disorder treatment for a minimum of 12 months and complete each all 5 phases of program.
- Must submit to all required examinations or assessments to determine appropriate treatment placement and services.
- Must submit to random observed drug testing at least 2 times per week.
- Must attend sobriety support meetings/activities, participate in services with a court case manager, be supervised by a probation officer, attend court frequently, and follow all rules and regulations of program.
- Must obtain employment or be active in school.
- Must complete GED prior to program completion, if applicable.

Transfer Requirements

- Must transfer jurisdiction and venue.
- Must enter a plea if transferring from outside of the 4th circuit.
- Must receive prior approval to transfer from the 4th circuit.

FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Duval County

Veterans Court (Pretrial {Post Plea/Pre-Adjudication} and Post-Adjudication)

Veterans Court Coordinator/ Designee for Handling Transfers

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Clerk of Court Contact

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Program Eligibility

- Must be a veteran, active-duty service member or reservist in good standing.
- Eligible charges include non-violent misdemeanors or 2nd or 3rd degree felonies.
- Must be a resident of Duval County.
- Must have victim consent, if applicable.
- Must not have a current or prior history of violent crimes or sex crimes
- Must be diagnosed with a service-related substance use and/or mental health disorder including but not limited to, post-traumatic stress, traumatic brain injury or major depressive disorder.
- Must be eligible to receive veteran's healthcare services.

Program Requirements

- Must attend ongoing substance use and/or mental health treatment for a minimum of 12 months and complete all 5 phases of the program.
- Must submit to all required examinations or assessments to determine appropriate treatment placement and services.
- Must submit to random observed drug testing at least 2 times per week.
- Must attend sobriety support meetings/activities, participate in services with a volunteer veteran mentor, participate in services with a court case manager, attend court frequently, and follow all rules and regulations of the program.

Transfer Requirements

- Must transfer jurisdiction and venue.
- Must enter a plea if transferring from outside of the 4th circuit.
- Must receive prior approval to transfer from the 4th circuit.

FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Citrus County

Adult Drug Court (Pretrial {Post Plea/Pre-Adjudication} and Post-Adjudication)

Drug Court Coordinator/ Designee for Handling Transfers

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Clerk of Court Contact

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Program Eligibility

- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Must be a resident of Citrus County.
- Must have a history of substance use.
- Criminal history may not include violent or sexually based charges.

Program Requirements

- Must enter a plea of no contest or guilty within 4 weeks of starting the program.
- Must attend 12-Step meetings, group sessions and submit to drug screens as required throughout the program based on program level.
- Must attend court weekly during Level I, bi-weekly during Level II, monthly during Level III, then once every 6 weeks during Level IV.
- Community service is only required if the individual is not working and/or enrolled in school.

Transfer Requirements

- Must be approved by the state attorney.
- Eligible charges include felony drug charges, violations of probation with a positive screen, and burglary charges if the underlying reason was to obtain money for drugs.
- Must not have current or past violent crimes, sexual offenses, or any sales or manufacturing charges.

FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Hernando County

Adult Drug Court (Pretrial {Pre Plea} and Post-Adjudication)

Drug Court Coordinator

Peggy Welch

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Transfer Requirements

- This jurisdiction does not participate in the statewide transfer of problem-solving court cases.

Program Eligibility

- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Must be a resident of Hernando County.
- Must have a substance use history.
- Qualifying charges include any charge with a drug nexus.
- Violations of probation are eligible.

Program Requirements

- Must enter a plea of guilty or nolo contendere.
- Must be placed on probation for the duration of the program.
- Must submit to random urine drug screens three times a week during Phase I. The number of screens per week decreases as each phase is completed. Clients are required to call in daily for screens in all phases.
- Must attend court appearances once per week in Phase I, every two weeks in Phase II, and once per month in Phases III and IV.
- Must attend 3 peer support groups per week (NA, AA).

FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
Marion County
Adult Drug Court (Pretrial {Post Plea/Pre-Adjudication})

**Drug Court Coordinator/
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Program Eligibility

- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Must be a resident of Marion County.
- Must be a first time offender or previously adjudicated of one nonviolent misdemeanor.
- Eligible charges include 3rd degree, prostitution, 2nd degree felonies involving purchase or possession of a controlled substance, solicitation for purchase of a controlled substance, or obtaining a prescription by fraud.

Program Requirements

- Must enter a plea.
- Must attend peer support meetings.
- Must submit to drug testing.
- Must attend monthly court appearances.
- Must attend weekly treatment sessions and pay a \$50.00 weekly fee.
- Must attend all case management meetings.

Transfer Requirements

- Must transfer venue and jurisdiction.
- Must complete a transfer application.
- Must be approved by the state attorney.
- Must enter a plea in receiving jurisdiction.

FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
Marion County
Adult Drug Court (Post-Adjudication)

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Program Eligibility

- Must be a resident of Marion County.
- Must be prison bound.
- Sentencing score must be greater than 22 and less than 60.
- Must have an eligible pending felony charge(s) to include violation of probation or community control.
- Must not have any disqualifying prior adjudications for violent offenses or drug sales.
- Substance use screening must indicate that substance use treatment is therapeutically appropriate.
- Must be amenable to participating and agree to enter and successfully complete drug court as a condition of probation or community control.

Program Requirements

- Must enter a guilty plea.
- Must be supervised by the Department of Corrections.
- Must participate in peer support meetings (AA etc.).
- Must attend all scheduled court appearances.
- Must be employed, attempting to obtain employment, or enroll in school.
- Must submit to random drug screens.

Transfer Requirements

- Must transfer venue and jurisdiction.
- Must complete a transfer application.
- Must be approved by the state attorney.
- Must enter a plea in receiving jurisdiction.

FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
Marion County
Adult Misdemeanor Drug Court (Pretrial {Pre Plea})

**Drug Court Coordinator/
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Program Eligibility

- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Must be a resident of Marion County, or reside in a county where a misdemeanor drug court is available. If the defendant resides in any other county, the case will be considered on a case by case basis.
- Eligible charges include misdemeanors for controlled substance or drug paraphernalia; prostitution; possession of alcohol while under 21 years of age; and possession of a controlled substance without a valid prescription. Other allowable misdemeanors may be considered for participation in this program.
- Must not have a prior felony adjudication.

Program Requirements

- Must sign participation agreement and waive the right to a speedy trial.
- Must attend regular court appearances and scheduled treatment sessions; submit to random drug screens; attend recovery or peer support groups; attend orientation and any case management appointment scheduled; maintain a journal; maintain employment or attend an educational program; submit paper outlining what was learned from the program and a relapse prevention plan.

Transfer Requirements

- Must transfer venue and jurisdiction.
- Must be approved by the state attorney.

FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Marion County

Veterans Court (Pretrial {Pre Plea} and Post-Adjudication)

Veterans Court Coordinator/ Designee for Handling Transfers

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Program Eligibility

- Must be a veteran or service member.
- Must be represented by an attorney.
- Violations of probation are accepted.
- Eligible charges include misdemeanors (except certain DUI charges) and felonies (except charges set forth in section 948.06(8)(c), Florida Statutes and DUI charges).

Program Requirements

- Must meet regularly with a probation officer.
- Must attend weekly court reviews during Phase 1 to report on progress in treatment to the judge.
- Must attend court once every 2 to 3 weeks or as directed by the judge in Phase 2.
- Must attend court monthly in Phase 3.
- Must comply with the treatment plan.

Transfer Requirements

- Must transfer venue and jurisdiction.
- Must submit a transfer application.
- Must be approved by the state attorney.

SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
Pasco County
Adult Drug Court (Pretrial {Pre Plea} and Post-Adjudication)

**Drug Court Coordinator/
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Program Eligibility

- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Eligible charges include drug possession (excluding trafficking amounts); purchase of drugs; small sales of drugs where the facts indicate the seller is supporting a drug habit; property crimes or other nonviolent offenses where the victim agrees, and other 3rd degree felonies where the facts indicate the offense was drug related or influenced.
- Violations of probation are eligible on the above crimes where all the crimes before the court would individually qualify.

Program Requirements

- Must abide by all rules and regulations of program.
- Must not use alcohol or mind altering drugs.
- Must attend all court status reviews.
- Must comply with curfew.
- Must attend two Sober Support meetings per week.
- Must maintain employment, continue education or obtain a GED. If not full time employed or enrolled in school, client must complete 8 hours of community service per week.
- Must obtain a driver's license.
- Must submit to random drug testing once per week.
- During Phase I clients are required to attend court status hearings bi-weekly or at the judge's discretion.
- During the aftercare phase clients are required to attend court status hearings monthly or at the judge's discretion.

Transfer Requirements

- Must transfer jurisdiction and venue.

- Must be approved by the state attorney.
- Must enter a plea.
- Must obtain an Agreed Order to Transfer and a Court Order Ratifying Agreement to Transfer Jurisdiction and Venue for Disposition.
- Must be supervised by the Department of Corrections.

SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Pasco County

Veterans Court (Pretrial {Pre Plea} and Post-Adjudication)

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Program Eligibility

- Must be a veteran or service member.
- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Eligible charges must stem from physical injuries or mental health disorders resulting from military service and be misdemeanor(s) or 3rd degree felonies.
- Must not have previously participated in veterans treatment court, unless this criterion is specifically waived by the state attorney and the client's mental health/substance use assessment indicates that he/she is amenable to mental health and/or substance use treatment.

Program Requirements

- Must not use alcohol or mind altering drugs.
- Must attend all court status reviews.
- Must comply with curfew.
- Must attend two Sober Support meetings per week.
- Must maintain employment, continue education or obtain a GED. If not employed full time or enrolled in school, client must complete 8 hours of community service per week.
- Must obtain a driver's license.
- Must submit to random drug testing once per week.
- During Phase I clients are required to attend court status hearings bi-weekly or at the judge's discretion.
- During the aftercare phase clients are required to attend court status hearings monthly or at the judge's discretion.

Transfer Requirements

- Must transfer jurisdiction and venue.
- Must be approved by the state attorney.
- Must enter a plea.
- Must obtain an Agreed Order to Transfer and a Court Order Ratifying Agreement to Transfer Jurisdiction and Venue for Disposition.
- Must be supervised by the Department of Corrections.

SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Pinellas County

Adult Drug Court (Pretrial {Pre Plea} and Post-Adjudication)

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Transfer Requirements

- This jurisdiction does not participate in the statewide transfer of problem-solving court cases.
- There is a transfer process between Pasco and Pinellas Counties that must be approved by the state attorney.

Program Eligibility

- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Must not have prior violent felonies.
- Eligible charges include drug possession or purchase under chapter 893, Florida Statutes.
- Property crimes (with victim's approval) and other 3rd degree drug related felonies may be accepted.
- Ineligible charges include drug sales or trafficking.

Program Requirements

- Must not use alcohol or mind altering substances.
- Must attend all court hearings as scheduled and/or attend court at least once per month.
- Must submit to weekly random urinalysis.
- Must attend Sober Support meetings weekly.
- Must maintain employment, continue education, or obtain a GED.
- Must obtain a driver's license, if necessary.
- Must complete the conditions of supervision that includes satisfying court costs.

SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
Pinellas County
Adult Drug Court (Post-Adjudication)

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Transfer Requirements

- This jurisdiction does not participate in the statewide transfer of problem-solving court cases.
- There is a transfer process between Pasco and Pinellas Counties that must be approved by the state attorney.

Program Eligibility

- Must be 18 years of age or older.

For open charges:

- Eligible charges include 3rd degree felonies, including 3rd degree burglary and 2nd degree purchase of a controlled substance.
- Must not have any current or previous adjudications of a forcible felony as defined in section 776.08, Florida Statutes.
- Criminal Punishment Code Scoresheet total must not be less than 44.1 points and not more than 60 points. The offender otherwise qualifies under section 397.334(3), Florida Statutes.

Violation of Probation or Community Control:

- The underlying offense may be a 3rd degree felony, including 3rd degree burglary and 2nd degree purchase of a controlled substance.
- Must not have any current or previous adjudications of a forcible felony as defined in section 776.08, Florida Statutes.
- Criminal Punishment Code Scoresheet total must not be more than 60 points. After the points for the violation are included, a departure would be necessary to avert an impending prison sentence. The offender otherwise qualifies under section 397.334(3), Florida Statutes.

Program Requirements

- Must not use alcohol or mind altering substances.
- Must attend all court hearings as scheduled and/or attend court at least once per month.
- Must submit to weekly random urinalysis.

- Must attend Sober Support meetings weekly.
- Must maintain employment, continue education, or obtain a GED.
- Must obtain a driver's license, if necessary.
- Must complete conditions of supervision that includes satisfying court costs.

SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
Pinellas County
Veterans Court (Pretrial {Pre Plea} and Post-Adjudication)

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Transfer Requirements

- This jurisdiction does not participate in the statewide transfer of problem-solving court cases.
- There is a transfer process between Pasco and Pinellas Counties that must be approved by the state attorney.

Program Eligibility

- Criteria One: apply if funds in Ch. 2013-40, Line Item 3203 are used.
 - Must be a veteran or service member.
 - Must suffer from a military service-related mental illness, traumatic brain injury, substance use disorder, or psychological problem.
 - Eligible charges include misdemeanors or felonies, other than a felony listed in section 948.06(8)(c), Florida Statutes.
 - Must have not entered a plea or been adjudicated prior to entry into the veterans court.
 - Must have not previously participated in veterans court, unless this criterion is specifically waived by the state attorney.
- Criteria Two: apply if funds other than those appropriated in Ch. 2013-40, Line Item 3203 are used.
 - Must be a veteran or service member.
 - Must suffer from a military service-related mental illness, traumatic brain injury, substance use disorder, or psychological problem.
 - Eligible charges include misdemeanors or 3rd degree felonies.
 - Must have not previously participated in veterans court, unless this criterion is specifically waived by the state attorney.

Program Requirements

- Must not use alcohol or mind altering substances.
- Must attend all court hearings as scheduled.
- Must submit to weekly random urinalysis.
- Must attend Sober Support meetings weekly.

- Must maintain employment, continue education, or obtain a GED.
- Must obtain a driver's license if necessary and complete conditions of supervision that includes satisfying court costs as ordered.
- Must attend court at least once per month.
- Must complete veterans behavioral intervention program (BIP).

SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Flagler County

Adult Drug Court (Pretrial {Post Plea/Pre-Adjudication} and Post-Adjudication)

Drug Court Coordinator/ Designee for Handling Transfers

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Program Eligibility

- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Must be a resident of Flagler County.
- Must have a non-violent criminal history.
- Eligible charges include felonies where the primary reason for being in the criminal justice system is related to significant substance use, specifically, charges of possession, purchase, or attempted purchase of controlled substances, uttering false or forged instruments, worthless checks, theft, prescription forgery, driving while licensed suspended (DWLS) or revoked, violations of probation or community control, and other substance use related offenses recommended by the state attorney.
- Must agree to participate in the drug court.

Program Requirements

- Must be placed on drug offender probation.
- Must attend three to five 12-Step or self-help group sessions per week.
- Must complete one hour of community service per week.
- Must attend probation visits one to four times per month.
- Must submit to two or more random drug tests per week.
- Must attend one to four individual therapy sessions per month.
- Must attend two to four group therapy sessions per month.
- Must attend one to four court appearances per month.
- Must complete 25 hours of employment or education per week.

Transfer Requirements

- Must meet program eligibility criteria to include a non-violent felony related to addiction.
- Must be a resident of Flagler County.

- Must transfer venue and jurisdiction.
- Must enter a plea.
- Must be in good standing.
- Must be approved by the judge.

SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Putnam County

Adult Drug Court (Post-Adjudication)

Drug Court Coordinator/ Designee for Handling Transfers

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Program Eligibility

- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Must be a resident of Putnam County.
- Must have a non-violent criminal history.
- Eligible charges include felonies where the primary reason for being in the criminal justice system is related to significant substance use, specifically, charges of possession, purchase, or attempted purchase of controlled substances, uttering false or forged instruments, worthless checks, theft, prescription forgery, driving while licensed suspended (DWLS) or revoked, violations of probation or community control, and other substance use related offenses recommended by the state attorney.
- Must agree to participate in the drug court.

Program Requirements

- Must participate in drug offender probation or pretrial intervention.
- Must attend two to four self-help group sessions per week.
- Must visit probation one to twenty times per month.
- Must submit to two or more random drug tests per week.
- Must attend one to four individual therapy sessions per month.
- Must attend one to four group therapy sessions per month.
- Must attend one to four court appearances per month.
- Must complete 20 hours of employment, education, or community service per week.
- Must complete 140 community service hours to graduate.

Transfer Requirements

- Eligible charges must include non-violent felonies related to addiction.
- Must be a resident of Putnam County.

- Must transfer jurisdiction and venue.
- Must be approved by the drug court team.
- Must enter a plea.

SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

St. Johns County

Adult Drug Court (Post-Adjudication)

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Program Eligibility

- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Must be a resident of St. Johns County.
- Must have a non-violent criminal history.
- Eligible charges include felonies where the primary reason for being in the criminal justice system is related to significant substance use, specifically, charges of possession, purchase, or attempted purchase of controlled substances, uttering false or forged instruments, worthless checks, theft, prescription forgery, driving while licensed suspended (DWLS) or revoked, violations of probation or community control, and other substance use related offenses recommended by the state attorney.
- Must agree to participate in the drug court.

Program Requirements

- Must be placed on drug offender probation.
- Must attend three to five self-help group sessions per week.
- Must visit probation one to four times per month.
- Must submit to two or more random drug tests per week.
- Must attend two individual therapy sessions per month in Phase 1.
- Must attend one to two individual therapy sessions per month in Phase 2 through 4.
- Must attend one to three group therapy sessions per week.
- Must attend one to three court appearances per month.
- Must complete 25 hours of employment or education per week.
- Must complete a minimum of 100 community service hours to graduate.

Transfer Requirements

- Must transfer venue and jurisdiction.
- Must submit written request for approval by the drug court team.

SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Volusia County

Adult Drug Court (Pretrial {Post Plea/Pre-Adjudication} and Post-Adjudication)

Drug Court Coordinator/ Designee for Handling Transfers

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Program Eligibility

- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Must be a resident of Volusia County.
- Must have a non-violent criminal history.
- Eligible charges including felonies where the primary reason for being in the criminal justice system is related to significant substance use, specifically, charges of possession, purchase, or attempted purchase of controlled substances, uttering false or forged instruments, worthless checks, theft, prescription forgery, driving while licensed suspended (DWLS) or revoked, violations of probation or community control, and other substance use related offenses recommended by the state attorney.
- Must agree to participate in the drug court.

Program Requirements

- Must be placed on drug offender probation.
- Must attend four to five self-help group sessions per week.
- Must visit probation once a month.
- Must attend one to four court supervision visits per month.
- Must submit to two or more random drug tests per week.
- Must attend between one and four individual therapy sessions per month.
- Must attend between one and four group therapy sessions per week.
- Must attend between one and four court appearances per month.
- Must complete 25 hours of employment or education per week.
- Must complete a minimum of 20 community service hours to graduate.

Transfer Requirements

- Eligible charges include non-violent felonies related to addiction.
- Must be a resident of Volusia County.
- Must transfer jurisdiction and venue.
- Must be approved by the drug court team.
- Must enter a plea.

SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
Volusia County
Adult Drug Court (Post-Adjudication)

**Drug Court Coordinator/
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Program Eligibility

- Must be prison bound with Criminal Punishment Code Scoresheet score of 44 to 60 or with a finding by the judge that the defendant would have otherwise been sentenced to prison.
- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Must be a resident of Volusia County.
- Must have a non-violent criminal history.
- Eligible charges include felonies where the primary reason for being in the criminal justice system is related to significant substance use, specifically, charges of possession, purchase, or attempted purchase of controlled substances, uttering false or forged instruments, worthless checks, theft, prescription forgery, driving while licensed suspended (DWLS) or revoked, violations of probation or community control, and other substance use related offenses recommended by the state attorney.
- Violations of probation are eligible.
- Must agree to participate in the drug court.

Program Requirements

- Must be placed on drug offender probation.
- Must attend four to five self-help group sessions per week.
- Must visit probation once a month.
- Must attend one to four court supervision visits per month.
- Must submit two or more random drug tests per week.
- Must attend between one and four individual therapy sessions per month.
- Must attend between one and four group therapy sessions per week.
- Must attend between one and four court appearances per month.

- Must complete a minimum of 20 community service hours to graduate.

Transfer Requirements

- Must transfer venue and jurisdiction.
- Charges must be non-violent felonies related to addiction.
- Must be a resident of Volusia County.
- Must enter a plea.
- Must be prison bound.

SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
Volusia County
Veterans Court (Pretrial {Pre Plea} and Post-Adjudication)

Veterans Court Coordinator

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Transfer Requirements

- This jurisdiction does not participate in the statewide transfer of problem-solving court cases.

Program Eligibility

- Must be a resident of Volusia County.
- Must have an open misdemeanor or non-violent 3rd degree felony case in Volusia County and be eligible for VA benefits (honorable or general discharge).
- The program does not use age or substance use history as criteria for eligibility.

Program Requirements

- Must be placed on probation or obtain a deferred prosecution agreement.
- Must complete community service, drug testing, and treatment.
- Must attend court approximately every two months.

EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Alachua County

Adult Drug Court (Pretrial {Pre Plea} and Post-Adjudication)

Drug Court Coordinator/ Designee for Handling Transfers

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Program Eligibility

- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Eligible charges include 3rd degree nonviolent felonies and some 2nd degree felonies with state attorney approval.
- Must have a diagnosed substance use or co-occurring disorder.
- Must not have prior violent felonies.
- Must not be on state probation or on violation of probation status for any offense.
- Must reside at a distance that allows check in and program requirements to be fulfilled.

Program Requirements

- Must waive speedy trial and enter contract with the state attorney.
- Must maintain employment or educational requirements to progress to the final phase of the program and for graduation.
- Must have a valid driver license or waiver to graduate.
- Must pay \$20 per week in program fees or complete community service.
- Must initially report daily; then reporting is gradually reduced to twice weekly.
- Must submit to random drug testing.
- Must attend court once per week initially, then attendance is gradually decreased to once per month.

Transfer Requirements

- Must transfer jurisdiction and venue.
- Inter-county post-plea transfers only.
- Requires plea-acceptance with deferred disposition of a successful and an unsuccessful outcome resulting in unconditional case closure.
- Must not be supervised by the Department of Corrections.
- Must be approved by the state attorney.

EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Alachua County

Veterans Court (Pretrial {Pre Plea} and Post-Adjudication)

Veterans Court Coordinator/ Designee for Transfers

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Program Eligibility

- Must be a U.S. military veteran discharged under honorable or general conditions or active duty or active National Guard or Reserve.
- Must be eligible for VA service delivery.
- Must be diagnosed with a military service-related mental illness, traumatic brain injury, or substance use disorder.
- Must not have prior violent felonies.
- Eligible charges include non-violent felonies.
- Must not be on state probation or on violation of probation status for any offense.
- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Must reside at a distance that allows check in and program requirements to be fulfilled.

Program Requirements

- Must waive right to speedy trial.
- Must enter program voluntarily or under post plea conditions.
- Must attend court appearances as directed.
- Must submit to all physical, psychological and psychiatric examinations and or assessments and follow treatment as recommended (including residential substance use treatment).
- Must provide truthful information.
- Must pay restitution (if applicable).
- Must not violate any laws.
- Must not consume any alcohol or illegal drugs.
- Must continue contact with the veterans justice outreach specialist and case officer and report as directed.

Transfer Requirements

- Must transfer venue and jurisdiction.
- Transfers are allowed under post plea conditions.
- Must enter a plea.
- Must not be supervised by the Department of Corrections.
- Must be approved by the state attorney.
- Must demonstrate commitment and understanding of veterans court.

NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
Orange County

Adult Drug Court (Pretrial {Pre Plea} and Post-Adjudication)

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Program Eligibility

- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Must be a resident of Orange County.
- Eligible charges must be non-violent and non-forcible felonies.
- Must be experiencing substance dependency and/or use.

Program Requirements

- Must submit to a substance use screening, treatment evaluation, and assessment.
- Must comply with the treatment plan set forth by the drug court program.
- Must submit to random urinalysis drug testing.
- Must attend bi-weekly meetings with the drug court judge.

Transfer Requirements

- Must transfer jurisdiction and venue.
- Transfer of pre-adjudicatory problem solving court cases only.
- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Must be a resident of Orange County.
- Must enter a plea.
- Eligible charges must be non-violent and non-forcible felony offenses.
- Must be experiencing substance dependency and/or use.

NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
Orange County
Veterans Court (Pretrial {Pre Plea} and Post-Adjudication)

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Program Eligibility

- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Must be a veteran or service member.
- Must be a resident of Orange County.
- Must not have current or prior history of sex crimes, current or prior history of crimes against children, and first degree felonies.
- Must have a military service related mental illness, traumatic brain injury (TBI), substance use disorder, or mental health disorder.
- Must not have any prior felony adjudications.

Program Requirements

- Must submit to random urinalysis drug testing.
- Must attend court two times per month at the beginning; tapers to once per month as the client progresses.
- Must have a substance use/mental health evaluation with the VA and follow through with recommendations.
- Must complete all statutorily mandated requirements based on the type of charge (i.e. battery DV charge would require behavior intervention plan (BIP), DUI charges require certain classes).

Transfer Requirements

- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Must be a veteran or service member.
- Must be a resident of Orange County.
- Must not have current or prior history of sex crimes, current or prior history of crimes against children, and first degree felonies.

- Must have a military service related mental illness, TBI, substance use disorder, or mental health disorder.
- Must not have any prior felony adjudications.

NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Osceola County

Adult Drug Court (Pretrial {Post Plea/Pre-Adjudication} and Post-Adjudication)

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Program Eligibility

- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Must have been arrested on a drug related offense.
- Must be able to travel to the court and participate in services and drug testing.

Program Requirements

- Must attend court every two weeks.
- Must attend group counseling based on history and drug use.
- Must submit to random urinalysis drug testing (weekly minimum).
- Must participate in pro-social activity.
- Must obtain employment or enroll in school.
- Must meet with case manager and probation monthly.

Transfer Requirements

- Typically a transfer of venue is conducted.
- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Must have been arrested on a drug related offense.
- Must be able to travel to the court, services, and testing.
- A plea is typically required.

NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Osceola County

Adult Misdemeanor Drug Court (Pretrial {Post Plea/Pre-Adjudication} and Post-Adjudication)

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Program Eligibility

- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Must have been arrested on a drug related offense.
- Must be able to travel to the court and participate in services and drug testing.

Program Requirements

- Must attend court every two weeks.
- Must attend group counseling based on history and drug use.
- Must submit to random urinalysis drug testing (weekly minimum).
- Must participate in pro-social activity.
- Must obtain employment or enroll in school.
- Must meet with case manager and probation monthly.

Transfer Requirements

- Typically a transfer of venue is conducted.
- The defendant would be placed on probation supervision.
- A plea is typically required.
- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Must have been arrested on a drug related offense.
- Must be able to travel to the court, services, and drug testing.

NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Osceola County

Veterans Court (Pretrial {Post Plea/Pre-Adjudication} and Post-Adjudication)

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Program Eligibility

- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Must be a veteran or service member.
- Must have been arrested.
- Criminal history must not include life felonies or sex offenses.

Program Requirements

- Must attend court every two weeks.
- Must attend treatment as required.
- Must submit to random urinalysis drug testing (weekly minimum).
- Must meet with case manager and probation monthly.

Transfer Requirements

- Typically a transfer of venue is conducted.
- The defendant will be placed on probation supervision.
- A plea is typically required.
- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Must be a veteran or service member.
- Must have been arrested.
- Criminal history must not include life felonies or sex offenses.

TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Polk County

Adult Drug Court (Pretrial {Pre Plea})

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Program Eligibility

- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Must be a resident of Polk County.
- Eligible charges include first time substance use related felonies.
- Must have a DSM-5 substance use diagnosis.

Program Requirements

- Must submit to frequent urinalysis drug testing.
- Must attend peer support groups.
- Must attend court every 30 days unless otherwise indicated due to violation.
- Must attend individual counseling sessions every 30 days.
- Must attend process and support groups weekly.

Transfer Requirements

- Must transfer jurisdiction.
- Must meet program eligibility.
- Must be approved by coordinator, state attorney and public defender.
- Probation must be transferred by Department of Corrections.

TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
Polk County
Adult Drug Court (Post-Adjudication)

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Program Eligibility

- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Must be a resident of Polk County.
- Eligible charges include first time substance use related felonies.
- Must have a DSM-5 substance use diagnosis.

Program Requirements

- Must submit to frequent urinalysis testing.
- Must attend peer support groups.
- Must attend court every 60 days unless otherwise indicated due to violation.
- Must attend individual counseling sessions every 30 days.
- Must attend process and support groups weekly.
- Must be placed on probation supervision .

Transfer Requirements

- Must transfer jurisdiction.
- Must meet program eligibility.
- Must be approved by coordinator, state attorney and public defender.
- Must be placed on probation supervision.
- Probation must be transferred by supervising agency if required by transfer circuit.

TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Polk County

Adult Misdemeanor Drug Court (Post-Adjudication)

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Program Eligibility

- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Must be a resident of Polk County.
- Eligible charges include misdemeanor violations of probation.
- Must have a DSM-5 substance use diagnosis.

Program Requirements

- Must submit to frequent urinalysis testing.
- Must attend peer support groups.
- Must attend court every 60 days unless otherwise indicated due to violation.
- Must attend individual counseling sessions every 30 days.
- Must attend process and support groups weekly.
- Must be placed on probation supervision.

Transfer Requirements

- Must transfer jurisdiction.
- Must meet program eligibility.
- Must be approved by coordinator, state attorney and public defender.
- Probation must be transferred by supervising agency.

TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
Polk County
Veterans Court (Pretrial {Pre Plea})

Veterans Court Coordinator

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Program Eligibility

- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Must be a resident of Polk County.
- Eligible charges include misdemeanors.
- Must have a DSM-5 substance use diagnosis.

Program Requirements

- Must comply with individualized plan.
- Must attend all review hearings.
- Must attend all treatment and meetings.
- Must not use alcohol or illegal drugs.
- Must submit to frequent urinalysis testing.

Transfer Requirements

- Must transfer jurisdiction.
- Must meet program eligibility.
- Must be approved by coordinator, state attorney and public defender.
- If required probation must be transferred by supervising agency.

ELEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Miami-Dade County Adult Drug Court (Pretrial)

Drug Court Coordinator

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Program Eligibility

- Must be 18 years of age or older (unless filed as a direct file in juvenile court).
- Must not have a history of violent crimes.
- Must not have more than two non-forcible prior felony adjudications.
- Eligible charges include felony possession or purchase of a controlled substance, obtaining a prescription by fraud, or any other non-violent third degree felony.
- Must have victim consent, if applicable.

Program Requirements

- Must submit to urinalysis testing on a random basis (approximately 2-3 days per week).
- Must comply with the treatment plan set forth by the provider.
- Must pay restitution prior to completing drug court, if applicable.

Transfer Requirements

- Must transfer jurisdiction and venue.
- Must be in good standing.
- Must have a phone number and address.
- Must be an adult 18 years of age or older (unless filed as a direct file in juvenile court).
- Must not have a history of violent crimes.
- Must not have more than two prior non-forcible felony adjudications.
- Eligible charges include felony possession or purchase of a controlled substance, obtaining a prescription by fraud, or any other non-violent third degree felony.

- Must have victim consent, if applicable.
- Dually diagnosed clients must be stabilized & information regarding their treatment must be provided in advance.

ELEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Miami-Dade County

Adult Misdemeanor Drug Court (Pretrial {Post Plea/Pre-Adjudication})

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Program Eligibility

- Must be 18 years of age or older (unless filed as a direct file in juvenile court).
- Must not have a history of violent crimes.
- Must not have more than two non-forcible prior felony adjudications.
- Eligible charges include felony possession or purchase of a controlled substance, obtaining a prescription by fraud, or any other non-violent third degree felony.
- Must have victim consent, if applicable.
- Must pay restitution prior to completing drug court, if applicable.

Program Requirements

- Must be assessed to determine level of risk and need.
- Must be closely monitored for a minimum of one year.
- Must attend individual, group, and family therapy.
- Must submit to urinalysis testing on a random basis (approximately 2-3 days per week) and are encouraged to engage in a recovery network.
- Must comply with the treatment plan set forth by the provider.

Transfer Requirements

- Must enter a plea for probation cases.
- Must be approved by the court and state attorney for probation cases.
- Must be supervised by the Department of Corrections when the client is on GPS/house arrest.

TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Manatee County

Adult Drug Court (Pretrial {Post Plea/Pre-Adjudication} and Post-Adjudication)

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Program Eligibility

- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Eligible charges must be non-violent.
- Disqualifying charges include drug sales.
- Must not have a violent criminal history.
- Criminal Punishment Code Scoresheet score must be 44 points or lower.
- Violations of probation are eligible.

Program Requirements

- Client requirements depend upon their level or phase in the program and include 12-Step meetings, groups sessions, individual sessions, and random urinalysis.
- Must attend weekly court appearances during Phase 1 and then as determined by the court for later phases.

Transfer Requirements

- Must transfer jurisdiction.
- Must meet program eligibility.
- Must be approved by the state attorney.

TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Manatee County

Veterans Court (Pretrial {Post Plea/Pre-Adjudication} and Post-Adjudication)

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Program Eligibility

- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Eligible charges must be non-violent.
- Disqualifying charges include drug sales.
- Must not have a violent criminal history.
- Criminal Punishment Code Scoresheet score must be 44 points or lower.
- Violations of probation are eligible.

Program Requirements

- Must comply with the treatment plan.
- Phase I: must attend weekly court appearances, 3 therapy groups per week, 1 individual therapy session per week, and one 12-Step meeting per week. Must submit to random urinalysis once a week.
- Phase II: must attend court appearances as determined by the court, 2 therapy groups per week, 1 individual counseling session bi-weekly, two 12-Step meetings per week. Must submit to random urinalysis once a week, remain current on payments, obtain a sponsor, obtain employment and/or enroll in school, complete community service, and comply with all other treatment assignments.
- Phase III: must attend court appearances as determined by the court, 1 group therapy session per week, 1 individual counseling session per month, and three 12-Step meetings per week. Must submit to random urinalysis once a week, attend, remain current on payments, pay restitution (if applicable), and comply with all other treatment assignments.

- Phase IV: must attend court appearances as determined by the court, 1 therapy group per month, 1 individual counseling session per month, and four 12-Step meetings per week. Must submit to random urinalysis once a week, remain current on payments, maintain employment or school enrollment, prepare aftercare plan, and achieve 90 clean days prior to graduation.
- Community service hours may be completed in lieu of payment for court and program fees, but not for restitution.
- Must maintain employment, unless disabled.

Transfer Requirements

- Must transfer jurisdiction.
- Must meet program eligibility.
- Must be approved by the state attorney.

TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
Sarasota County
Adult Drug Court (Pretrial {Pre Plea} and Post-Adjudication)

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Program Eligibility

- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Eligible charges must be non-violent.
- Disqualifying charges include drug sales.
- Must not have violent criminal history.
- Criminal Punishment Code Scoresheet score must be 44 points or lower.
- Violations of probation are eligible.

Program Requirements

- Must comply with the treatment plan.
- Phase I: must attend weekly court appearances, 3 therapy groups per week, 1 individual therapy session per week, and one 12-Step meeting per week. Must submit to random urinalysis once a week.
- Phase II: must attend court appearances as determined by the court, 2 therapy groups per week, 1 individual counseling session bi-weekly, two 12-Step meetings per week. Must submit to random urinalysis once a week, remain current on payments, obtain a sponsor, obtain employment and/or enroll in school, complete community service, and comply with all other treatment assignments.
- Phase III: must attend court appearances as determined by the court, 1 group therapy session per week, 1 individual counseling session per month, and three 12-Step meetings per week. Must submit to random urinalysis once a week, attend, remain current on payments, pay restitution (if applicable), and comply with all other treatment assignments.

- Phase IV: must attend court appearances as determined by the court, 1 therapy group per month, 1 individual counseling session per month, and four 12-Step meetings per week. Must submit to random urinalysis once a week, remain current on payments, maintain employment or school enrollment, prepare aftercare plan, and achieve 90 clean days prior to graduation.
- Community service hours may be completed in lieu of payment for court and program fees, but not for restitution.
- Must maintain employment, unless disabled.

Transfer Requirements

- Must transfer jurisdiction.
- Must meet program eligibility.
- Must be approved by the state attorney.

THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
Hillsborough County
Adult Drug Court (Post-Adjudication)

Drug Court Coordinator

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Transfer Requirements

- This jurisdiction does not participate in the statewide transfer of problem-solving court cases.

Program Eligibility

- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Must be a resident of Hillsborough County.
- Must be charged with a 3rd degree drug felony.
- Must not have an accompanying forcible felony charge or have been adjudicated guilty of a forcible felony.
- Must not be a sex offender.
- Must not have any offense pending involving the dealing or selling of controlled substances.
- Must qualify for either community sanctions under the Criminal Punishment Code or sentencing under the Florida Youthful Offender ACT.

Program Requirements

- Must enter a guilty plea.
- Must attend weekly court appearances.
- Must comply with prescribed medication(s).
- Must comply with the drug/alcohol treatment plan.
- Must submit to random drug/alcohol screenings weekly.
- Must pay required costs and fees.
- Must pay restitution, if applicable.
- Must be supervised by the Department of Corrections including electronic monitoring.
- Must maintain court-approved full-time employment, training, or education.
- Must complete community service.
- Must attend weekly NA/AA support meetings.

THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Hillsborough County

Adult Drug Court (Pretrial {Pre Plea})

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Program Eligibility

- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Must be a resident of Hillsborough County.
- Must not have prior felony adjudications or delinquent acts that would be a felony if committed by an adult.
- Eligible charges include 3rd degree non-violent felonies including, but not limited to, possession of illegal drugs.
- Must be physically and mentally stable and able to actively participate in treatment.

Program Requirements

- Must waive the right to a speedy trial.
- Must attend weekly court appearances.
- Must comply with prescribed medication(s).
- Must submit to random drug/alcohol screenings weekly.
- Must pay required costs and fees.
- Must pay restitution, if applicable.
- Must be supervised by the Department of Corrections including electronic monitoring.
- Must maintain court-approved full-time employment, training, or education.
- Must complete community service.
- Must attend weekly 12-Step/self-help support groups.
- Must sign a treatment contract.

Transfer Requirements

- Must transfer jurisdiction and venue.
- Must be supervised by the Department of Corrections.
- Must comply with thorough pre-screening.
- Must be a resident of Hillsborough County.

THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Hillsborough County

Veterans Court (Pretrial {Post Plea/Pre-Adjudication} and Post-Adjudication)

Veterans Court Coordinator

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Program Eligibility

- Must be a veteran or service member
- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Must be a resident of Hillsborough County.
- Must be diagnosed with a military service-related mental illness, traumatic brain injury, substance use disorder, or mental health disorder.
- Must be eligible for VA services.
- Must agree to participate in veterans court.

Program Requirements

- Must waive the right to a speedy trial.
- Must attend bi-weekly court appearances.
- Must submit to screening and a risk and needs comprehensive assessment.
- Must comply with the Department of Corrections and Veterans Justice Outreach requirements.
- Must meet with a mentor.
- Must comply with prescribed medication(s).
- Must attend anger management, domestic violence counseling, and trauma counseling, if applicable.
- Must comply with drug/alcohol treatment.
- Must submit to random drug/alcohol screenings.
- Must pay required costs and fees.
- Must pay restitution, if applicable.

- Must be supervised by the Department of Corrections including electronic monitoring.
- Must maintain court-approved full-time employment, training, or education.
- Must complete community service.
- Must attend weekly 12-Step/self-help support groups.

Transfer Requirements

- Must transfer jurisdiction and venue.
- Must be supervised by the Department of Corrections.
- Must comply with thorough pre-screening.
- Must be a resident of Hillsborough County.

FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Bay County

Adult Drug Court (Pretrial {Pre Plea} and Post-Adjudication)

Drug Court Coordinator/ Designee for Handling Transfers

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Program Eligibility

- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Must be a resident of Bay County.
- Must have a history of substance use and admit to having a drug problem, or have a positive urinalysis while on probation.
- Eligible charges include non-violent charges; drug charges (felony), grand theft, forgery, fraud, and burglary.
- Ineligible charges include drug sales.

Program Requirements

- Violations of probation clients must be placed on drug offender probation or drug offender community control.
- Must attend 12-Step programs, inpatient treatment if needed, and outpatient treatment.
- Must complete public service work hours.
- Must submit to urinalysis drug testing.
- Must attend all court appearances - phase 1 is once a week, phase 2 is once every 2 weeks, phase 3 is once every 3 weeks.
- Must obtain employment.

Transfer Requirements

- Must transfer jurisdiction and venue.
- Must be supervised by the Department of Corrections.
- Diversion cases are accepted.
- Referrals must be screened by drug court manager prior to transfer.

FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Jackson County

Adult Drug Court (Post-Adjudication)

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Program Eligibility

- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Must be a resident of Jackson, Calhoun, Washington, or Holmes Counties.
- Must have a history of substance use and admit to having a drug problem, or have a positive urinalysis while on probation.
- Eligible charges include felony drug charges, grand theft, forgery, and fraud.
- Violent criminal history is considered case by case.

Program Requirements

- Clients who violate probation must be placed on drug offender probation or drug offender community control.
- Must attend 12-Step programs, inpatient treatment if needed, and outpatient treatment.
- Must complete public service work hours.
- Must submit to urinalysis drug testing.
- Must attend all court appearances - phase 1 is once a week, phase 2 is once every 2 weeks, phase 3 is once every 3 weeks, aftercare is once a month.
- Must obtain employment.

Transfer Requirements

- Must transfer jurisdiction and venue.
- Must be supervised by the Department of Corrections.
- Referrals must be screened by court program specialists.

FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
Palm Beach County
Adult Drug Court (Pretrial {Post Plea/Pre-Adjudication})

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Program Eligibility

- Must be a resident of Palm Beach County and remain in Palm Beach County for the duration of the program (one year minimum).
- Eligible charges include 3rd degree nonviolent felonies and some 2nd degree felonies with state attorney approval and client identified as having a substance use problem.
- Must not have prior felony or battery adjudications except adjudication of the 3rd degree for possession of controlled substance under s. 893.13(6)(a) Florida Statutes.
- Must not have previously participated in any felony pretrial intervention program, including drug court, in another jurisdiction.
- The facts of the case, or any prior case, must not indicate involvement in the dealing or selling of controlled substances.
- No separate pending charges including probation or pretrial intervention.
- Must agree to participate.

Program Requirements

- Must attend individual and group counseling sessions.
- Must submit to random, observed drug testing a minimum of twice per week.
- Must agree to all terms of the Drug Court Contract.
- Must attend 12-Step meetings.

- Must have monthly supervisory contact with the Department of Corrections.
- Must agree to frequent court appearances.
- Must agree to 60-day inpatient treatment if clinically indicated.

Transfer Requirements

- Must transfer jurisdiction and venue.
- Must be approved by the state attorney.
- Must be supervised by the Department of Corrections.
- Must enter a guilty plea.
- Must not have any open cases or cases in which the client is on probation in the sending jurisdiction.

FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Palm Beach County

Veterans Court (Pretrial {Post Plea/Pre-Adjudication} and Post-Adjudication)

Veterans Court Coordinator/

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Program Eligibility

- Must have served active duty in the US military and received an honorable discharge.
- Active duty clients are accepted on a case by case basis.

Program Requirements

- Must attend weekly court appearances.

Transfer Requirements

- Must transfer jurisdiction and venue.
- Transfers are handled according to Florida Statute 910.035(5B).

SIXTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Monroe County

Adult Drug Court (Pretrial {Pre Plea})

**Drug Court Coordinator/
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Program Eligibility

- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Must be a resident of Monroe County.
- Must meet the drug court statute criteria in addition to receiving permission for placement by the state attorney.
- Must be screened for eligibility and out-patient treatment.

Program Requirements

- Must submit to drug testing three times a week.
- Must attend individual counseling once a week, group counseling once a week, and three AA/NA meetings per week.

Transfer Requirements

- Must transfer jurisdiction.
- Must enter a plea.

SEVENTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Broward County

Adult Drug Court (Post-Adjudication)

**Drug Court Coordinator/
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Transfer Requirements

- This jurisdiction does not participate in the statewide transfer of problem-solving court cases.

Program Eligibility

- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Eligible charges include non-violent felonies.
- Must have a substance use problem.
- Must be amenable to treatment.
- Restitution must be ordered prior to starting drug court, if applicable.

Program Requirements

- Must be placed on probation or community control with the special condition of post-adjudicatory drug court.
- Must complete all treatment requirements including group and individual sessions, any other sessions scheduled by treatment, and fellowship meetings.
- Must attend monthly court hearings.
- Must submit to random drug testing (frequency determined by treatment phase).

SEVENTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
Broward County
Adult Drug Court (Pretrial {Pre Plea})

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Program Eligibility

- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Must not have prior adjudications.
- Eligible charges include offenses under section 948.08 (6), Florida Statutes or a non-violent felony with a finding of a substance use problem.
- Restitution must be ordered prior to starting drug court, if applicable.
- If not eligible, the client may participate in drug court as a special condition to probation.

Program Requirements

- Must sign a deferred prosecution agreement which includes a waiver of speedy trial and a limited waiver of confidentiality.
- Must complete all treatment requirements including group and individual sessions, fellowship meetings, and any other sessions scheduled by treatment.
- Must attend monthly court hearings.
- Must submit to random drug testing (frequency determined by treatment phase).

Transfer Requirements

- Must transfer jurisdiction and venue.
- Must enter a conditional plea for deferred sentencing.
- Must be supervised by the Department of Corrections.
- Must be approved by the drug court manager.

SEVENTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Broward County

Adult Misdemeanor Drug Court (Pretrial {Pre Plea} and Post-Adjudication)

Drug Court Coordinator

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Designee for Handling Transfers/

Clerk of Court Contact

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Program Eligibility

- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Eligible charges include an offense under section 948.16, Florida Statutes, nonviolent, non-traffic related misdemeanor with substance use problem or misdemeanor possession of controlled substance or drug paraphernalia, prostitution, possession of alcohol under 21, and possession of controlled substance without a valid prescription.
- Must be charged with a substance use related charge.
- Must not have prior felony adjudications.

Program Requirements

- Must sign an agreement setting forth all terms and conditions of participation.
- Must attend pretrial substance use education and treatment intervention program or probation substance use education and treatment intervention program for a minimum of 6 months and comply with all terms or court orders.
- Must attend educational classes and life skills class.
- Must submit to frequent urinalysis.
- Must be screened for treatment counseling.
- Must attend frequent court appearances (monthly or bi-monthly dependent on progress).
- Must complete community service and attend support meetings.

Transfer Requirements

- Must be eligible and volunteer.
- Must be approved by the state attorney.
- Must enter a plea of not guilty and waive speedy trial.

SEVENTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
Broward County
Veterans Court (Pretrial {Pre Plea} and Post-Adjudication)

Veterans Court Coordinator

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Program Eligibility

- Must be a veteran or service member.
- There is no age restriction on defendants accepted into veterans court.

Program Requirements

- Must waive speedy trial and comply with all court ordered treatment including evaluations for mental illness and substance use, and medication management.
- Must comply with all aspects of the treatment plan as established by the VA.
- Must submit to drug testing.
- Must attend court for all noticed hearings.

Transfer Requirements

- All parties must agree.

EIGHTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Brevard County

Adult Drug Court (Pretrial {Pre Plea} and Post-Adjudication)

Drug Court Coordinator/ Designee for Handling Transfers

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Program Eligibility

- Must meet criteria set forth in section 948.08, Florida Statutes.
- Eligible charges include non-violent drug felony offenses linked to substance use.
- Must be approved by the state attorney and judge and have consent from the victim, if applicable.

Program Requirements

Pretrial only:

- Must complete a 30 day qualification phase to determine appropriate track.
- Track 1: Basic Phase (little or no history of drug use)-must attend drug education, parenting education, HIV education, and anger management. Track 2: Outpatient Phase I-must attend drug education, parenting education, HIV education, anger management, and 12-Step program. Phase II-must attend moral reconnection therapy (MRT). Phase III must attend relapse prevention. Track 3: must attend 6 months of residential treatment followed by 6 months of outpatient treatment and a 12-Step program. Must submit to drug testing no less than once per week. Must complete 50 hours of community service. Must attend court for contract signing, 30 day review, and then only if in non-compliance status.

Post-Adjudication (Track 2 or 3):

- Track 2 Outpatient:
- Phase I-must attend drug education, parenting education, HIV education, and anger management. Must attend court bi-weekly. Phase II-must attend moral reconnection therapy (MRT). Must attend court monthly. Phase III-must attend relapse prevention. Must attend a 12-Step program. Must attend court as needed.

- Track 3: must attend 6 months residential treatment followed by 6 months of outpatient treatment. Must attend a 12-Step program. Must submit to drug testing no less than twice a week.

Transfer Requirements

- Must transfer jurisdiction and venue.
- Must be supervised by the Department of Corrections.
- Must be approved by the state attorney.
- Must enter a plea.

EIGHTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Brevard County

Veterans Court (Pretrial {Pre Plea})

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Program Eligibility

- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Must be eligible for VA services.
- Eligible charges include misdemeanors, 3rd degree felonies or criminal traffic offenses.
- Ineligible offenses include DUI.

Program Requirements

- Must not take any illegal drugs or alcohol.
- Must submit to random drug testing.
- Must complete substance use and mental health evaluations.

Transfer Requirements

- Must transfer jurisdiction and venue.
- Must be supervised by the Department of Corrections.
- Must be approved the state attorney.
- Must enter a plea.

EIGHTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Seminole County

Adult Drug Court (Pretrial {Post Plea/Pre-Adjudication} and Post-Adjudication)

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Program Eligibility

- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Must be a resident of Seminole County.
- Eligible charges include non-violent felonies. Individuals who are charged with any other 2nd or 3rd degree felony may request the state attorney to review their case for consideration for the program.
- Must be diagnosed with a substance use disorder as their primary condition.
- Ineligible offenses include prior or current violent or criminal felony offenses relating to drug trafficking and importation and a prior record of sale or delivery of a controlled substance or possession with intent to sell or deliver a controlled substance.
- Must have a serious substance use problem requiring treatment.
- Must be mentally capable of benefitting from the adult drug court and be motivated to complete the program.
- Must be approved by the state attorney.

Program Requirements

- Must enter a plea and have sentences deferred until the completion of the program.
- Must be placed on supervision by the Department of Corrections for a period of 12 to 18 months.
- Must complete substance use treatment that will be delivered in the following four drug court program phases. The length of program phase depends on individual progress. The below guidelines are the minimum requirements:
 - Phase 1: Stabilization Phase lasts a minimum of 1 month.
 - Phase 2: Intensive Treatment usually lasts a minimum of 3 months.
 - Phase 3: Relapse Prevention usually lasts a minimum of 6 months.
 - Phase 4: Community Transition period lasts a minimum of 2 months.

Transfer Requirements

- Must transfer jurisdiction and venue.
- Must enter a plea.
- Must waive the right to a speedy trial.

EIGHTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Seminole County

Veterans Court (Pretrial {Post Plea/Pre-Adjudication} and Post-Adjudication)

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Program Eligibility

- Must have served in the United States Armed Forces and be eligible to receive services through the VA.
- Eligible charges include most non-violent and non-traffic related 3rd degree felonies and misdemeanor cases. Domestic violence cases, battery upon a law enforcement officer, resisting a law enforcement officer with violence, non-traffic charges, and resisting a law enforcement officer without violence may be eligible for the program. Minor misdemeanor (non-DUI) traffic offenses arising from the same incident will not disqualify a veteran from participation in the program on the primary non-traffic charge(s).
- Ineligible offenses include traffic offenses, including DUI; current or prior distribution, sale or delivery of controlled substances; violent felonies; or more than one violent misdemeanor are not eligible.
- Must have victim consent, if applicable.
- Must pay restitution, if applicable.
- If accepted, all previously imposed conditions of bond will remain in effect as part of the program.

Program Requirements

- Must enter a plea and have sentences deferred until the completion of the program.
- Must be placed on supervision by the Seminole County Probation Office for monitoring while in the program.
- Must pay all treatment court fees and restitution, if any.

Transfer Requirements

- Cases can be transferred via a full transfer of the criminal cases or a transfer of supervision.
- Must enter a plea.
- Must waive right to a speedy trial.
- Must be supervised by probation.

NINETEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Indian River County

Adult Drug Court (Pretrial {Post Plea/Pre-Adjudication} and Post-Adjudication)

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Program Eligibility

- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Must be a resident of Indian River County.
- Must have current substance use or prior substance use history.
- Must not have prior felony adjudications.
- Eligible charges include 3rd degree non-violent drug related offenses.
- There may also be conditions of probation or community control.

Program Requirements

- Must attend substance use counseling.
- Must attend a 12-Step program per phase guidelines.
- Must submit to random testing at a minimum of 1 time per week.
- Must attend court status hearings weekly or bi-monthly.
- Must attend monthly meetings with probation.
- Must be employed, enrolled in school or complete community service hours.
- Must have victim consent, if applicable.
- Must be supervised by the Department of Corrections.
- Must enter a plea of guilty or nolo contendere.
- Must pay cost of treatment.
- Must pay required program costs and fees.
- Must sign and comply with the Drug Court Intervention and Treatment Agreement and Order.

Transfer Requirements

- Must obtain approval from the state attorney.
- Must be eligible for the program.
- Must enter a plea of guilt or nolo contendere.
- Must transfer jurisdiction and venue.
- Must be resident of receiving county.
- Probation must be transferred by the Department of Corrections.

NINETEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Indian River County

Veterans Court (Pretrial {Post Plea/Pre-Adjudication} and Post-Adjudication)

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Program Eligibility

- Must be a veteran or service member.
- Must be a resident of Indian River County.
- Must suffer from a military service-related mental illness, traumatic brain injury, substance use disorder or mental health disorder.
- Must be eligible for services through the VA.
- Eligible charges include all felonies other than a felony listed in section 948.06(8)(c) Florida Statutes.
- Must agree to participate in veterans court.

Program Requirements

- Must attend substance use counseling.
- Must attend a 12-Step program per phase guidelines.
- Must submit to random testing at a minimum of 1 time per week.
- Must attend court status hearings weekly or bi-monthly.
- Must attend monthly meetings with probation.
- Must be employed, enrolled in school, or complete community service hours.
- Must have victim consent, if applicable
- Must comply with treatment plan as established by VA
- Must be supervised by the Department of Corrections (DOC) or Comprehensive Offender Rehabilitation and Education (C.O.R.E.) probation.
- Must comply with DOC/C.O.R.E. and VA requirements.
- Must meet with a mentor.
- Must comply with all prescribed medications.

- Must pay required costs and fees.
- Must sign and comply with Order Placing Defendant in Veterans Court.

Transfer Requirements

- Must transfer jurisdiction and venue.
- Must obtain approval from the state attorney.
- Must be eligible for the program.
- Probation must be transferred by the Department of Corrections or the County.
- Must reside in receiving county.

NINETEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Martin County

Adult Drug Court (Pretrial {Post Plea/Pre-Adjudication} and Post-Adjudication)

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Program Eligibility

- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Must be a resident of Martin County.
- Must have current substance use or prior substance use history.
- Must not have prior felony adjudications.
- Eligible charges include 3rd degree non-violent drug related offenses.
- There may also be conditions of probation or community control.
- Violation of probation accepted on eligible crimes.
- Must be amenable to participating and agree to enter and successfully complete drug court as a condition of probation or community control.

Program Requirements

- Must attend substance use counseling.
- Must attend a 12-Step program per phase guidelines.
- Must submit to random testing at a minimum of 1 time per week.
- Must attend court status hearings weekly or bi-monthly.
- Must attend monthly meetings with probation.
- Must be employed, enrolled in school or complete community service hours.
- Must have victim consent, if applicable.
- Must be supervised by the Department of Corrections.
- Must enter a plea of guilty or nolo contendere.
- Must pay cost of treatment.
- Must pay required program costs and fees.

- Must sign and comply with the Drug Court Intervention and Treatment Agreement and Order.

Transfer Requirements

- Must obtain approval from the state attorney.
- Must be eligible for the program.

NINETEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Okeechobee County

Adult Misdemeanor Drug Court (Pretrial {Post Plea/Pre-Adjudication} and Post-Adjudication)

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Program Eligibility

- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Must be a resident of Okeechobee County.
- Must have current substance use or prior substance use history.
- Must not have prior felony adjudications.
- Eligible charges include 3rd degree non-violent drug related offenses.
- There may also be conditions of probation or community control.
- Violation of probation accepted on eligible crime.
- Must be amenable to participating and agree to enter and successfully complete drug court as a condition of probation or community control.

Program Requirements

- Must attend substance use counseling.
- Must attend a 12-Step program per phase guidelines.
- Must submit to random testing at a minimum of 1 time per week.
- Must attend court status hearings weekly or bi-monthly.
- Must attend monthly meetings with probation.
- Must be employed, enrolled in school or complete community service hours.
- Must attend monthly meetings with Comprehensive Offender Rehabilitation and Education (C.O.R.E.) probation.
- Must have victim consent, if applicable.
- Must be supervised by the C.O.R.E.
- Must enter a plea of guilty or nolo contendere.

- Must pay cost of treatment.
- Must pay required program costs and fees.
- Must sign and comply with the Drug Court Intervention and Treatment Agreement and Order.

Transfer Requirements

- Must transfer jurisdiction and venue.
- Must obtain approval from the state attorney.
- Must be eligible for the program.
- Must enter a plea of guilt or nolo contendere.
- Must be resident of receiving county.
- Probation must be transferred by the county.

NINETEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Okeechobee County

Adult Drug Court (Pretrial {Post Plea/Pre-Adjudication and Post-Adjudication})

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Program Eligibility

- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Must be a resident of Okeechobee County.
- Must have current substance use or prior substance use history.
- Eligible charges include 3rd degree non-violent drug related offenses.
- Must not have a prior felony adjudication.
- There may be a condition of probation or community control
- Violation of probation accepted on eligible crimes.
- Must be amenable to participating and agree to enter and successfully complete drug court as a condition of probation or community control.

Program Requirements

- Must attend substance use counseling.
- Must attend a 12-Step program per phase guidelines.
- Must submit to random testing at a minimum of 1 time per week.
- Must attend court status hearings weekly or bi-monthly.
- Must attend monthly meetings with Comprehensive Offender Rehabilitation and Education (C.O.R.E.) probation.
- Must be employed, enrolled in school or complete community service hours.
- Must attend monthly meetings with probation.
- Must have victim consent, if applicable.
- Must be supervised by the Department of Corrections.
- Must enter a plea of guilty or nolo contendere.
- Must pay cost of treatment.

- Must pay required program costs and fees.
- Must sign and comply with the Drug Court Intervention and Treatment Agreement and Order.

Transfer Requirements

- Must transfer jurisdiction and venue.
- Must obtain approval from the state attorney.
- Must be eligible for the program.
- Must enter a plea of guilt or nolo contendere.
- Must be resident of receiving county.
- Probation must be transferred by the Department of Corrections.

NINETEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

St. Lucie County

Adult Drug Court (Pretrial {Post Plea/Pre-Adjudication} and Post-Adjudication)

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Program Eligibility

- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Must be a resident of St. Lucie County.
- Must have current substance use or prior substance use history.
- Must have no prior felony adjudications.
- Eligible charges include 3rd degree non-violent drug related offenses.
- There may also be conditions of probation or community control.
- Violation of probation accepted on eligible crimes.
- Must be amenable to participating and agree to enter and successfully complete drug court as a condition of probation or community control.

Program Requirements

- Must attend substance use counseling.
- Must attend a 12-Step program per phase guidelines.
- Must submit to random testing at a minimum of 1 time per week.
- Must attend court status hearings weekly or bi-monthly.
- Must attend monthly meetings with probation.
- Must be employed, enrolled in school or complete community service hours.
- Must have victim consent, if applicable.
- Must be supervised by the Department of Corrections.
- Must enter a plea of guilt or nolo contendere.
- Must pay cost of treatment.
- Must pay required program costs and fees.

- Must sign and comply with the Drug Court Intervention and Treatment Agreement and Order.

Transfer Requirements

- Must transfer jurisdiction and venue.
- Must obtain approval from the state attorney.
- Must be eligible for the program.
- Must enter a plea of guilt or nolo contendere.
- Must be resident of receiving county.
- Probation must be transferred by the Department of Corrections.

NINETEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

St. Lucie County

Adult Misdemeanor Drug Court (Pretrial {Post Plea/Pre-Adjudication} and Post-Adjudication)

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Program Eligibility

- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Must be a resident of St. Lucie County.
- Must have current substance use or prior substance use history.
- Must not have prior felony adjudications.
- Eligible charges include 3rd degree non-violent drug related offenses.
- There may also be conditions of probation or community control.
- Violation of probation accepted on eligible crime.
- Must be amenable to participating and agree to enter and successfully complete drug court as a condition of probation or community control.

Program Requirements

- Must attend substance use counseling.
- Must attend a 12-Step program as directed.
- Must submit to random testing at a minimum of 1 time per week.
- Must attend court status hearings weekly or bi-monthly.
- Must attend monthly meetings with Comprehensive Offender Rehabilitation and Education (C.O.R.E.) probation.
- Must be employed, enrolled in school or complete community service hours.
- Must attend monthly meetings with Comprehensive Offender Rehabilitation and Education (C.O.R.E.) probation.

- Must have victim consent, if applicable.
- Must be supervised by the C.O.R.E.
- Must enter a plea of guilty or nolo contendere.
- Must pay cost of treatment.
- Must pay required program costs and fees.
- Must sign and comply with the Drug Court Intervention and Treatment Agreement and Order.

Transfer Requirements

- Must transfer jurisdiction and venue.
- Must obtain approval from the state attorney.
- Must be eligible for the program.
- Must enter a plea of guilt or nolo contendere.
- Must be resident of receiving county.
- Probation must be transferred by the county.

NINETEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

St. Lucie County

Veterans Court (Pretrial {Post Plea/Pre-Adjudication} and Post-Adjudication)

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Program Eligibility

- Must be a veteran or service member.
- Must be a resident of St. Lucie County.
- Must suffer from a military service-related mental illness or traumatic brain injury.
- Must have a substance use disorder or psychological problem.
- Must be eligible for services through the VA.
- Eligible charges include felonies other than felonies listed in section 948.06(8)(c), Florida Statutes.
- Must agree to participate in veterans court.

Program Requirements

- Must attend substance use counseling.
- Must attend a 12-Step program per phase guidelines.
- Must submit to random or hotline testing at a minimum of 1 time per week.
- Must attend court status hearings weekly or bi-monthly.
- Must attend monthly meetings with probation. May be supervised by the Department of Corrections or Condition of Community Control.
- Must be employed, enrolled in school, or complete community service hours.
- Must have victim consent, if applicable.
- Must comply with treatment plan as established by VA.
- Must be supervised by the Department of Corrections (DOC) or Comprehensive Offender Rehabilitation and Education (C.O.R.E.) probation.
- Must comply with DOC/C.O.R.E. and VA requirements.

- Must meet with a mentor.
- Must comply with all prescribed medications.
- Must pay required program costs and fees.
- Must sign and comply with Order Placing Defendant in Veterans Court.

Transfer Requirements

- Must transfer jurisdiction and venue.
- Must obtain approval from the state attorney.
- Must be eligible for the program.
- Must obtain approval from the state attorney.
- Must be eligible for the program.
- Probation must be transferred by the Department of Corrections or the County.
- Must reside in receiving county.

TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
Charlotte County
Adult Drug Court (Post-Adjudication)

Drug Court Coordinator

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Transfer Requirements

- This jurisdiction does not participate in the statewide transfer of problem-solving court cases.

Program Eligibility

- Eligible charges include non-violent drug related felonies.
- Must enter a plea of guilty or no contest.
- Must not have a history of violent crimes.

Program Requirements

- Must submit to weekly, random drug testing.
- Must attend court appearances weekly in Phases 1-3. Must attend court appearances once every four weeks in Phase 4, unless otherwise ordered.
- Must obtain stable housing.
- Must be employed or perform weekly community service.

TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Charlotte County

Veterans Court (Pretrial {Post Plea/Pre-Adjudication} and Post-Adjudication)

Veterans Court Coordinator

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Transfer Requirements

- This jurisdiction does not participate in the statewide transfer of problem-solving court cases.

Program Eligibility

- Must be an eligible veteran.
- Must have non-violent mental health and or drug related issue(s).
- Must not have a history of violent crimes. Exceptions are considered on a case by case basis.

Program Requirements

- Must submit to weekly, random drug testing.
- Must attend court appearances weekly in Phases 1-3. Must attend court appearances once every four weeks in Phase 4, unless otherwise ordered.
- Must obtain stable housing.
- Must be employed, or perform weekly community service.
- Must comply with the VA treatment plan, if eligible for services.

TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Collier County

Adult Drug Court (Post-Adjudication)

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Program Eligibility

- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Must be a resident of Collier County.
- Must have a substance dependence diagnosis and have a felony case that relates to addiction.

Program Requirements

- Must attend regular court appearances before a designated drug court judge.
- Must comply with treatment requirements, which include drug testing, individual/group counseling, family counseling, and regular attendance at recovery support groups.

Transfer Requirements

- Must transfer jurisdiction and venue.
- Must be clinically screened.
- Must enter a plea.
- Must be approved by the drug court team.
- Must review the Collier County Drug Court Handbook and complete a Drug Court Contract.
- Must obtain an Agreed Order of Transfer and Order Ratifying the Agreement to Transfer Jurisdiction and Venue for Disposition.
- Certain felony charges preclude participation.

TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Collier County

Veterans Court (Pretrial {Post Plea/Pre-Adjudication} and Post-Adjudication)

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Program Eligibility

- Must be a veteran or service member who has served in any of the armed forces for any period of time, regardless of type of service, type of discharge, or eligibility for VA benefits.
- Must be a resident of Collier County.
- Must have a specific mental health and/or substance use treatment need, which may include post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) and/or traumatic brain injury (TBI).
- Must be legally competent to proceed.
- Must be charged with a felony, misdemeanor, or violation of probation.

Program Requirements

- Must be placed on probation.
- Must attend court appearances as required (initially weekly, then gradually reduced to every two weeks, then every three weeks, then monthly).
- Must follow all recommendations of the VA regarding any treatment involving mental health, substance use, and PTSD.

Transfer Requirements

- Must transfer jurisdiction and venue.
- Must be clinically screened.
- Must enter a plea.
- Must be approved by the veterans court team.

- Must review the Collier County Veterans Court Handbook and complete a Veterans Court Contract.
- Must obtain an Agreed Order of Transfer and Order Ratifying the Agreement to Transfer Jurisdiction and Venue for Disposition.
- Certain felony charges preclude participation.

TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Lee County

Adult Drug Court (Post-Adjudication)

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Program Eligibility

- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Must be a resident of Lee County.
- Eligible charges include non-violent felonies.
- Must have a non-violent criminal history.
- Must have a history of substance use.

Program Requirements

- Must be placed on state probation or drug offender probation.
- Must attend a 12-Step program or equivalent.
- Must complete community service.
- Must obtain or maintain employment.
- Must submit to drug testing.
- Must maintain education, if applicable.
- Must attend weekly court appearances initially, then gradually decrease in attendance frequency.
- Must comply with treatment as directed by clinician.
- Must meet probation appointments.
- Must comply with curfew requirements.

Transfer Requirements

- Must transfer jurisdiction and venue.
- Must also have a local felony case.

- Must be supervised by the Department of Corrections.
- Must be approved by the state attorney and judge.
- Must enter a plea.

TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
Lee County
Veterans Court (Pretrial and Post-Adjudication)

**Veterans Court Coordinator/
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Program Eligibility

- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Must be a resident of Lee County.
- Must be eligible for VA health care benefits.

Program Requirements

- Must participate in support groups.
- Must attend a 12-Step program as identified in intervention plan.
- Must attend court appearance every two weeks.

Transfer Requirements

- Must reside in receiving county.
- Must be supervised by probation or diversion and meet program requirements.

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