



## **FAQ for NCDC Training Programs**

### **How do I know which training to apply for?**

The NCDC Foundational Training lays the framework for the best practices operating a DWI Court program. It is ideal for teams that are in development, existing with team turn-over, or a team that has limited training and not participated in a NCDC or NADCP program in the past.

NCDC Operational Tune-Ups and Technical Assistance builds upon the Foundational Training. These trainings are more advanced addressing topics relevant to functioning teams that have a solid foundation of best practices.

### **Who is required to attend?**

The core members of the DWI court team are required to attend: judge, coordinator/administrator, treatment representative, probation/case manager, prosecutor, defense attorney, law enforcement, evaluator.

It is vital the whole team attends because discussions will be done during jurisdiction breakouts that will result in an action plan for the next 6 months following the training.

### **How do I secure funding?**

A training team consists of 8-10 people. The training teams are requested to work through their State Highways Safety Office (SHSO) for potential funding to cover travel costs associated with required team member's participation in this effort. This does not preclude teams from seeking local or other funding. Teams are responsible for travel costs, lodging, meals, and ground transportation.

### **What can I expect at the training?**

This is an interactive training for the whole team addressing issues key to operating a DWI court. Training begins at 8 a.m. and usually ends at 5 p.m. NCDC faculty are nationally recognized experts in the field and teams will have the opportunity to work with them during jurisdiction breakouts that focus on specific issues for the DWI court program. Plan on having



one to one and half hour lunch breaks on your own. NCDC does not provide beverages or snacks during the trainings, so please plan accordingly. No team is perfect, so bring an open mind to learn ways to enhance your DWI court program.

### **Is there homework associated to attending the training?**

Each accepted team is required to complete a survey or questionnaire about their program to help NCDC staff and faculty learn about each DWI court. This allows NCDC staff target faculty that would best guide the DWI court based on the issues presented. Teams are also required to watch webinars on specific topics or what to expect prior to attending the training.

### **What should I bring to the training?**

Bring an open mind, beverage of choice (coffee, tea, soda, juice, etc.), snacks. We will provide a workbook that contains the presentations and perfect for taking notes in, a folder of essential information, pen, and lots of resource materials.

### **What is the selection process for the training?**

Applications are reviewed by a panel comprised of NHTSA and NCDC staff. NHTSA/NCDC reviews the application materials and determines whether a community's needs may be met through participation in DWI court training. Final selections are based on the following:

- Extent of identified need
- Past training experience
- Geographic diversity
- Status of existing community planning efforts
- Availability of alternative training and technical assistance resources to meet training needs
- Completeness of applications (e.g., whether required disciplines are identified)

Jurisdictions selected for the trainings will be notified by NCDC staff.



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