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Introduction to the Athens-Clarke County State Court DUI/Drug Court

What is the Athens Clarke County DUI/Drug Court and when did it begin?

The Athens-Clarke County State DUI/Drug Court (Dui/Drug Court) was the first DUI Court in the State of Georgia. This Court was originally designed and implemented in February 2001 as part of the State Court of Athens-Clarke County under the direction of Judge Kent Lawrence. In October 2002, the Program's operational components were enhanced as a result of additional funding from the Georgia Governor's Office of Highway Safety. In 2008, the DUI/Drug Court was designated as one of the four "DWI Academy Courts" in the U.S. This status was re-awarded in 2011, and again in 2014. In 2011 Judge Lawrence retired, and subsequently, Judge Charles E. Auslander, III, was named State Court Judge and Judge over the DUI/Drug Court.

The DUI/Drug Court operates on a TEAM (Together Each Achieves More) concept. The Team is composed of Judge(s), Solicitor-General's Office, Law Enforcement, the Public Defender's Office, a Court Coordinator, Case Management Clerk, Probation Officers and Licensed Substance Abuse Treatment Professionals. All Team members work together to support each participant in addressing and combating the substance abuse issues that brought them into the criminal justice system. The Team meets every two weeks in a meeting called Staffing to review the progress of each participant. Also every two weeks, participants attend a court session called a Status Conference to meet with the Team and receive an update on their progress. The Team follows and complies with all national and state standards and best practices for accountability courts and DUI courts.¹

What is the primary mission of the Athens-Clarke County DUI/Drug Court?

The primary mission of the Athens-Clarke County DUI/Drug Court (DUI/Drug Court) is to increase public safety and save lives by reducing recidivism of persons with alcohol and drug use disorders. The DUI/Drug Court seeks to accomplish this by facilitating substance use treatment and rehabilitation, providing increased supervision, and requiring participant accountability. The Court strives to return to the community individuals who have addressed can substance use issues and have become better equipped to maintain their sobriety which will provide them a better quality of live, have a positive impact and improve the community as a whole, and increase public safety.

Is the DUI/Drug Court effective?

The DUI/Drug Court provides an opportunity for early treatment intervention. A study by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) found that: (1) repeat DUI offenders who graduated from a DUI Court were up to 65% less likely to be rearrested for a new DUI offense; and (2) all DUI Court participants had a recidivism (relapse) rate of only 15% whether

¹ The DUI Court complies with: *Georgia Adult DUI/Drug Court Standards*, promulgated by the Judicial Council of Georgia; the *Adult Drug Court Best Practice Standards, Volume I & II*, published by the National Association of Drug Court Professionals (NADCP); *Defining Drug Courts: The Key Components*, published by the NADCP; and the *Ten Guiding Principles of DWI Courts*, published by the National Center for DWI Courts (NCDC).

or not they graduated or were terminated. Similar offenders who did not attend a DUI Court had a recidivism rate of up to 35%.² Through enhanced supervision, counseling, and treatment, the goal of this Court is to improve the quality of each participant's life and reduce repeat offenses to improve community safety. Graduates will have a solid foundation to build upon for a sober, healthy and productive future.

What are the Supervision, Counseling, and Treatment Components?

First, an Intake and Orientation take place at the DUI/Drug Court Office. The participant then meets with a licensed substance abuse treatment clinician for a Substance Abuse Evaluation, a Risk/Needs Assessment (Level of Service Inventory –Revised (LSI-R)), and the Adult Needs and Strength Assessment (ANSA) to determine the level of care needed to develop a Treatment Plan and to determine which group the participant will be placed.

The Program requires a *minimum* of fourteen (14) months and consists of the Orientation and Intake and four phases:

- Phase 1** Extended assessment
- Phase 2** Active treatment and early recovery
- Phase 3** Relapse prevention
- Phase 4** Recovery management / Sustained Recovery

² *An Evaluation of the Three Georgia DUI Courts*, U.S. Dept. of Transportation, NHTSA DOT HS 811 450, March 2011.

TREATMENT OVERVIEW

Functionality of Phases	Orientation Intake, orientation, level of care screening	PHASE 1 Extended Assessment <i>Move from Contemplation to Preparation Stage</i>	PHASE 2 Active Treatment <i>Move from preparation to Action Stage</i>	PHASE 3 Relapse Prevention <i>Move from Action to Maintenance Stage</i>	PHASE 4 Sustained Recovery <i>Maintenance Stage</i>	
Minimum Requirements of Participant for each Phase	Sentencing Initial meeting with Probation Officer Baseline Drug Screen Substance Abuse Evaluation LSI-R Risk/Assessment → Time will vary	One 2-hr group per week One 12-step per week Rotating check-in (if required) or Status Conference weekly Two individual counseling sessions → Minimum 8 weeks	One 2-hr group per week One 12-step per week Rotating check-in (if required) or Status Conference weekly Three individual counseling sessions → Minimum 24 weeks	One 3-hr group per month One 12-step per week Rotating check-in (if required) or Status Conference weekly Three individual counseling sessions → Minimum 16 weeks	One 12-step per week 1 st check-in and 2 nd Status Conference of each month Two individual counseling sessions →→→ Minimum 60 days	GRADUATE

Individual treatment plans may determine a need for additional requirements/contact

Participant Projects	Ready to begin the process	Phase 1 Review	3 Changes, Managing Emotions & Genogram	Relapse Prevention Plan and Life Story	Revisit 3 Changes and share Life Story with a group
Participants Demonstrated Skills and Knowledge	Understand the process; capable of participation	Understand personal relationship w/substance use; Increase awareness of risk/problems of use	Identify changes needed in their personal relationship w/substance use	Identify supports/strategies needed to maintain change in their personal relationship w/substance use	Sustain healthy lifestyle skills around their personal relationship w/substance use

I. PHASES OF THE DUI/DRUG COURT PROGRAM

Intake and Orientation

- Sentencing
- Intake, NEEDS survey, LSI-R
- Orientation
- Initial meeting with Probation Officer
- Baseline alcohol/drug screen
- Substance Abuse/Level of Care Clinical Assessment/Counselor assignment

Phase 1 - Extended Assessment (*Move from Pre-Contemplation to Contemplation Stage of Change*)

Goals:

1. Participant will be able to identify their own behavior related to substance use and how that aligns with various models of addiction. Participant will begin to explore their personal relationship with drugs and/or alcohol and where he or she falls in the spectrum of substance use disorders.
2. Participant will actively demonstrate readiness to change by internalizing personal problems related to substance use, using positive change talk and I statements in group process.
3. Participant will demonstrate stability with the structure, schedule and accountability of both treatment and supervision within the program.

Tasks:

- Weekly 2-hour group with assigned Counselor (**minimum** 8 groups attended)
- Every other week: Check-in for new/non-compliant participants at Family Counseling Service (FCS)
- Every other week: Status Conference at the Courthouse
- **Minimum** of one 12-step meeting per week / designated by the Treatment Plan
- **Minimum** of two individual meetings with Counselor
- Random alcohol/drug screens
- Personal Project: Phase 1 Review
- Review of DUI/Drug Court Handbook with Counselor
- Must maintain full time employment or attend school full time.
- Fees must be current or in compliance with an established payment plan with the DUI/Drug Court Coordinator.
- No pending petitions or sanctions must have a minimum of 3 consecutive clean UDS/EtG³, with no Dilute, Elevated EtG, and Suspect tests⁴ in no less than the 2 weeks prior to phase-up request
- Participant must be clinically appropriate for phase progression.

³ EtG- Ethyl Glucuronide is a metabolite only produced by the human body from exposure to Ethyl Alcohol.

⁴ An Elevated test is a test that shows the presence of Etg between 200 and 499 ng/ml (500 or greater is a positive). A Dilute test is a test where creatinine is below 20 ng/ml. A Suspect test is a test showing the presence of Etg between 100 and 199 ng/ml and significant evidence of attempted dilution

In order to complete this phase, the participant shall understand and verbalize the risk and problems associated with their personal relationship with substance use.

Phase 2 – Active Treatment and Early Recovery (*Move from Preparation to Action Stage of Change*)

Goals:

1. Participant will be able to recognize/verbalize changes they need to make in any high risk patterns and/or behaviors associated with their substance use.
2. Participant will be able to recognize their personal motives for use, situations that trigger the desire to use and verbalize coping skills to successfully avoid use.
3. Participant will develop a personal narrative around their current abstinence that supports their desire to make positive changes in their substance use patterns and behaviors.
4. Demonstrate continued stability within the structure of the program and maintain abstinence for a minimum of 60 consecutive days.

Tasks:

- Weekly 2-hour group with assigned Counselor (**minimum** 24 groups attended)
- Every other week: Check-in for new/non-compliant participants at FCS
- Every other week: Status Conference at the Courthouse
- **Minimum** of one 12-Step meeting per week or as designated by the Treatment Plan
- **Minimum** of three individual meetings with Counselor or as prescribed by the Treatment Plan
- Random alcohol/drug screens
- Personal Projects: Managing Emotions, Family Tree/Genogram, and Three Changes
- Completion of DUI School, Clinical Evaluation, and/or Victim Impact Panel if applicable
- Fees must be current or in compliance with an established payment plan with the DUI/Drug Court Coordinator must be in effect before moving from Phase 2
- **Minimum** of 60 days without a Court sanction, positive screen, Dilute test, Elevated EtG, or Suspect test.
- Participant must be clinically appropriate for phase progression.

In order to complete this phase, the participant must be able to identify/verbalize changes he/she needs to make in their personal relationship with substance use.

Phase 3 - Relapse Prevention (*Move from Action to Maintenance Stage of Change*)

Goals:

1. Participant will be able to verbalize the meaning of Relapse in terms of patterns and behaviors associated with their relationship with substance use.
2. Participant will develop a Relapse Prevention Plan that: a) supports their definition of both Recovery and Relapse, b) includes “warning signs” to patterns associated with relapse, and c) develops strategies to effectively manage the above.
3. Participant will be able to demonstrate continued stability within the structure of the program and maintain abstinence for a minimum of 60 consecutive days.

Tasks:

- Monthly 3-hour group with assigned Counselor (**minimum** of 4 groups attended and 120 days)
- Every other week: Check-in for new/non-compliant participants at FCS
- Every other week: Status Conference at the Courthouse
- **Minimum** of one 12-Step meeting per week or as designated per the Treatment Plan
- **Minimum** of three individual counseling sessions with Counselor
- Random alcohol/drug screens
- Personal Projects: Relapse Prevention Plan and Life Story
- Fees must be current or in compliance with an established payment plan with the DUI/Drug Court Coordinator
- **Minimum** of 60 days without a Court sanction, positive screen, Dilute test, Elevated EtG, or Suspect test.
- Participant must be clinically appropriate for phase progression.

In order to complete this phase, the participant must be able to identify/verbalize and utilize supports to sustain changes in their personal relationship with substance use.

Phase 4- Recovery Management (*Sustaining Change and Recovery Skills*)

Goals:

1. Participant will effectively demonstrate the coping skills necessary to remain abstinent from substance use with decreased structure and support from a formal treatment setting.
2. Participant will actively engage in a process of self-evaluation to identify past problem behaviors and be able to verbalize changes to others.
3. Participant will be able to utilize “action plans” to support changes, model positive coping skills and use assertive communication skills in all aspects of their life.

Tasks:

- Attend the 1st Check-in of the month at FCS
- Attend the 2nd Status Conference of the month at the Courthouse
- Personal Projects: Presentation of Life Story and/or other projects as assigned by your Counselor
- 12-step meetings as determined with your Counselor
- Random alcohol/drug screens
- Minimum of two individual counseling sessions with Counselor
- No new or pending petitions or sanctions within a 60 days period. As well as, no positive screens, Dilute, Elevated EtG, or Suspect tests for 120 days.
- Fees and Court fines must be current before graduating from program (A scheduled payment plan may be substituted for complete payment. This plan must address all financial obligations to the DUI/Drug Court)
- Participant must be clinically appropriate to graduate.
- Participant may graduate on the 3rd status conference attended in phase 4.

In order to complete this phase, the participant must be able to verbalize “what’s different about my personal relationship with substance use and how I maintain a healthy lifestyle”.

Phase Progression

For any phase progression, participants must be clinically appropriate and have met clinical obligations to change phases. Counselors will evaluate projects, participation in group and individual sessions, time in current phase, drug and alcohol test results, etc. to determine a participant’s readiness to move to the next phase.

Phase Regression

At any time during the program, a participant may be moved back to a previous phase based upon the level of care/intervention needed. If a participant is not meeting the requirements for their current phase, they may be phased back.

Determination of Level of Treatment, Increase, & Outsourcing

The participant’s level of treatment will be determined by the licensed clinicians based upon the level of need. Should a counselor determine a participant needs an increased level of care and

treatment, including intensive outpatient/inpatient treatment such as the Halfway House or Recovery Residency, a Counselor and the DUI/ Drug Court Team will coordinate placement at such a facility. Seeking alternative treatment outside of the Athens DUI/Drug Court is not allowed without prior approval of the counselor and Team.

Projects

Written projects will be given in each phase of treatment. Participants are expected to apply themselves to the best of their ability and will meet with their Counselor to review each project. The completed assignments will reflect a participant's progress and are an integral part of the treatment process.

Graduation

In order to reach the "Ready to Graduate" status in the program, a participant must meet all previous phase requirements, including completion of all treatment obligations, remaining current with all DUI/Drug Court and probation fees, attending all required appointments with the Probation Officer, and appearing for all call-in drug screens. Participant must also have no positive UDS, Elevated test, Dilute test, or Suspect test for 120 days.

A major goal of the DUI/Drug Court Team is to support each participant as he or she progresses through the phases toward graduation from the DUI/Drug Court program. Graduation is an important milestone, providing the participant and the DUI/Drug Court team an opportunity to reflect on the personal journey each participant has experienced during the program. Participants are encouraged to maintain his or her relationship with the court after graduation as alumni or mentor to other participants.

II. APPROPRIATE BEHAVIOR WHILE IN THE DUI/DRUG COURT PROGRAM

A. Honesty

It is the responsibility of the participant to disclose any violation of the terms of probation to their Counselor, Probation Officer, and the DUI/Drug Court Office.

Honesty is a core component of the Athens DUI/Drug Court. Dishonesty will only impede recovery and hold back progression through the Program. Dishonesty of any form such as lying, tampering with or adulterating drug screens, presenting fraudulent documents, etc. will not be tolerated and will subject a participant to substantial sanctions. Defrauding or lying may lead to termination from the DUI/Drug Court and/or substantial confinement time. Honesty is essential to successful participation in the Athens DUI/ Drug Court.

B. In the Courtroom

Attendance in Status Conference is mandatory. Court sessions are held every two weeks. Schedules of DUI/Drug Court Status Conference dates are provided on a regular basis and posted on the DUI/Drug Court website. (Participants will be notified of any schedule or date changes in a timely manner.) It is the responsibility of the participant to know the dates of Court sessions.

Punctuality is required. Court begins at 4:00 p.m. or at 5:30 p.m. At 4:03 or 5:33 (depending on your scheduled Status Conference time) a person is considered **LATE** and will be petitioned by the Probation Officer.

It is not appropriate to wear hats, sunglasses, clothes displaying offensive language or advertising drugs or alcohol in the courtroom. Loud and disruptive behavior is unacceptable. Participants are required to remain attentive and not read or sleep in the courtroom. No food or drinks are allowed in the Courtroom. All phones should be turned off before entering the Courtroom. Guests are not allowed in a court session unless they have permission from the DUI/Drug Court Team to attend.

When addressed by the Judge, one should respond by speaking clearly and directly. All participants should remain until dismissed. The Court will appropriately address violations of Courtroom behavior.

C. Counseling at Family Counseling Service (FCS)

No alcohol, drugs, or weapons are to be brought to FCS.

1. Do not come to group, Check in, or individual appointments under the influence of alcohol or drugs. Coming to FCS inebriated will result in sanctions by the Court.
2. Groups begin on time. Attendance and participation in the whole group session is required to receive credit for group. Being late to group will be reported to the DUI/Drug Court team and sanctions may result.
3. Confidentiality in group is required since it ensures the opportunity for open discussions and sharing. What is said in group stays in group. Please maintain the confidentiality of everyone in the group.
4. Free expression of thoughts and feelings is encouraged in group; however, violence, threats or intimidation are not allowed. Please be respectful and attentive to peers. Speak one at a time and listen when peers are sharing. Please avoid cross talking or side conversations.
5. Try to provide a urine drug screen before or after group. If you need to use the restroom during group, simply ask your Counselor.
6. Let the Counselor know if an emergency or illness arises which might necessitate leaving a group early or missing a group. Discuss any situation with the Counselor to get approval before leaving or not attending a group, Check-in or an appointment.
7. Dress code: No skimpy tank tops, short shorts or short skirts. Clothing must cover all undergarments. Clothing with obscene language or advertising alcohol/drugs is not permitted. If a participant comes to group dressed inappropriately, they may be asked to leave. Any missed group will be reported to the team and may result in sanctions.
8. Cell phones, laptops, or any electronic devices should be turned off during group and individual appointments.
9. Visitors are not allowed at group or Check-in. If it is necessary that a participant bring a child to Check-in or wishes to introduce a friend to a Counselor, ask your Counselor about this in advance.
10. Smoking is permitted outside only (on the porch). Please put cigarette butts in appropriate receptacles (not on the porch floor or the ground).
11. No littering in the parking lot or in the building. Please help us keep the facility clean by putting trash in trash cans, etc.
12. Destroying or defacing property at FCS may result in sanctions or arrest.
13. When arriving at FCS for an individual appointment with a Counselor, participants should check-in with the secretary in the main front office. Counselors will come get participants when they are ready. Participants should not come upstairs or wander in the halls looking

for a Counselor. For Check-in or groups: participants should enter through the side door and come directly upstairs (or to the group room).

14. Please be considerate of other clients and Family Counseling Service staff. When upstairs for either individual appointments, Check-in, random drug/alcohol screen call-ins, or group, participants are expected to keep the noise level to a minimum. (Other Counselors may be having individual sessions in the building).
15. Participants are not to enter the building or come upstairs when the office is closed or after hours of group or check in. Participants are not to go behind the drug screen area or attempt to get their own UDS supplies. Only a Counselor or FCS staff should get them.

D. Meeting Attendance, Place of Residence and Leave Requests

A participant is required to attend all meetings as assigned. Failure to attend will result in progressive sanctions. Special requests to be excused from meetings will be discussed during Staffing and must be approved by the DUI/Drug Court Team. Requests to miss any DUI/Drug Court Check-in, Status Conference, group meeting, to leave the jurisdiction of the Court (Athens-Clarke County area) or stay at a residence other than your primary residence of record must meet the following requirements:

- A. All requests are to be submitted in writing **a minimum of two weeks in advance to your Counselor**. Leave Request Forms are available from your Counselor or on the DUI/Drug Court website. The form **must be completed and returned** before the two-week deadline prior to the requested date of leave.
- B. All requests must have verified documentation attached, for example, a note from a doctor, school or work explaining the situation and signed by a person in authority. The documentation must include a phone number where you can be reached.
- C. Factors the team will consider when evaluating a leave request include but are not limited to:
 - 1) Compliance with Treatment Plan;
 - 2) Compliance with probation requirements;
 - 3) Recent drug and alcohol screen results; and
 - 4) Compliance with financial responsibilities and any payment plans.

If a request is granted, a participant must report to their Probation Officer for a drug test the day following the end of the leave. In the event of a sudden illness and/or death of an immediate family member, contact your Counselor and your Probation Officer for possible leave without the leave request paperwork. (For the purposes of this manual, "immediate family" includes spouse, children, siblings, parents, and grandparents only.)

If a Group Meeting, random call-in, or check-in is missed and no prior consent had been obtained, a participant is required to report to their Probation Officer by 9 a.m. the following day. If an appointment is missed during the weekend, reporting in the following Monday by 9 a.m. is required. All unexcused absences are subject to sanctions to be determined by the DUI/Drug Court Team.

A participant is required by the DUI/Drug Court to stay at their primary residence on record every night unless permission has been obtained to be away from that residence for an overnight. **Leaving the jurisdiction of the Court (Athens-Clarke County area) for any reason requires prior notice and approval by the Probation Officer.**

A participant is required to be accessible by phone by any member of the DUI/Drug Court Team at all times. Failure to respond to a message in a reasonable period of time (2 hours) may result

in sanctions by the Court. If a cell phone is lost or disconnected, and/or the participant is unreachable for any reason, the participant should immediately notify the Probation Officer.

A firm appointment with a counselor must be kept. If a cancellation of the appointment is required, at least 24 hours advance notice must be given. Failure to notify Family Counseling of cancellation of the appointment at least 24 hours in advance may result in a sanction.

E. Inclement Weather

In the case of inclement weather, please check the following for information as to whether the Athens-Clarke County Courthouse or Family Counseling Services are open.

Athens-Clarke County Courthouse- athensclarkecounty.com/statecourt

If the Courthouse is closed, any scheduled status conferences, probation petition hearings, probation appointments, or other matters taking place in the Courthouse will be rescheduled.

Family Counseling Services- Please call 706-353-2309

Please call the above phone number, and then dial your counselors extension (Rebecca: 260, Dennis: 265, Cheran: 261). If group, individual appointments, or Check In are being cancelled, there will be a message stating that they are cancelled. If we are open and still having group and/or individual appointment or Check In, there will be no message and you should attend.

F. Finances

As a condition of participation in the DUI/Drug Court, each person is responsible for the cost of treatment and supervision. Therefore, seeking and maintaining employment is a condition of continued participation. Participants who are employed are less likely to use alcohol and/or other drugs when they are working, and it is known that those who work have a higher degree of self-esteem due to being productive. If a participant has a documented disability that limits or prevents employment, The DUI/Drug Court Team will address it on a case-by-case basis.

A one-time orientation fee of \$100.00 is required. This fee includes intake, orientation, a level of care assessment, and a baseline drug screen. Each participant is responsible for payment of \$280.00 a month while in Phases 1-3 (\$235.00 participant fee/\$45.00 supervision fee). The \$235.00 fee covers all Group counseling, individual counseling, check-ins, drug-screens and case management services. Upon completion of Phase 3 and movement into Phase 4, the monthly fee is reduced to \$130.00 a month (\$85.00 participant fee/\$45.00 supervision fee) until graduation or expiration of probation, whichever comes first. Charges accrue on the 1st of each month and are charged based upon the phase the person is in on that date.

A \$30.00 Returned Check Fee is assessed if a check is returned for insufficient funds (and the check writer notified through the Court). Upon notification, the participant will have ten days to bring in, in cash or money order, the original amount assessed plus the \$30.00 Returned Check Fee.

Monthly payments are due by the 15th of each month. Payments can be made by cash, check, money order anytime Monday–Friday 8:30am to 5:00pm in the DUI/Drug Court Office, Room 430, Courthouse. Payments may also be made before a Status Conference. A receipt must be obtained for each payment which should indicate the date of payment, the amount paid, and who received the payment.

If a participant is unable to meet their financial obligations, it is their responsibility to discuss the situation with the Coordinator to develop a solution. If a person should, at any time, accrue an overdue amount of \$500.00 or more, they will be placed on a weekly payment plan. Please note that any overdue amounts or failure to make payments as directed by a payment plan will subject a participant to appropriate sanctions by the Court.

G. Medication

A participant is responsible for all substances put into their body.

Do not use **internally or externally** products containing alcohol such as cough/cold syrup, hair tonic, perfume, medicinal alcohol, after-shave lotion, mouthwash and flavoring extracts (lemon, vanilla, etc). It is the participant's responsibility to read the labels on products and avoid the consumption of alcohol in any form. Do not eat items that contain poppy seeds.

It is the participant's responsibility to inform any medical professionals of his or her status in the DUI/Drug Court program and what substances are not allowed for consumption. Participants should take the Medical Form (available on the DUI/Drug Court website and from your Counselor) to any visit to a doctor's office. Once the form has been completed by the doctor, the form and a copy of any prescriptions should be turned into your Counselor. All written prescriptions must be shown to the participant's Counselor **before filling. No prescription drug of any kind should be taken without prior notice and approval by the Counselor. No prescription drug is to be taken without the approval and prescription of a physician.** Failure to follow these requirements will result in a petition from the court.

Psychiatric and Adult Attention Deficit medications: Medications required to treat mental health issues are allowed and encouraged, if needed, for participants stability in the program. In order to take these medications, when entering the program, the participant must have completed a psychiatric assessment/evaluation by a qualified physician (psychologist/psychiatrist) within the past six months and provide a copy of this evaluation and explanation of diagnosis to the DUI/Drug Court Counselor. For participants that are already in the program and need to be evaluated for psychiatric medications, the standard procedure for obtaining prescription medications applies. All participants are required to provide a signed Release of Information to the Counselor for the prescribing physician in order to coordinate care and services.

At the end of this handbook are a list of prohibited substances and a list of medications that can be taken without prior approval. These lists are only a guide and not meant to be all-inclusive. If a participant has any concerns, they should contact their Counselor before taking medications of any kind.

H. Drug Testing (Policies and procedures)

It is the expectation of this Program that each participant will remain abstinent from all mood-altering substances throughout the course of their involvement with the DUI/Drug Court, including post-graduation if the probation term has not expired. Frequent and random drug testing is used to monitor a participant's compliance. Often a person may not be able to stop using drugs and alcohol immediately, and recovery will not occur overnight; however, any use of illegal drugs will result in sanctions. All participants will be held accountable for everything they put in their body. This is not intended as punishment, but serves to encourage abstinence and accountability. The ultimate goal of drug testing is to provide accountability and confirmation of the progress towards recovery. Honestly admitting use prior to the drug screen will be taken into account in the sanctioning process. Conversely, not admitting to, and/or denying new use after a positive result on a drug screen may result in a more severe sanction.

A participant may be asked to submit a sample at any time by any member of the DUI/Drug Court Team. They must be prepared to submit the specimen at the time of the request to whomever asks, be it a Counselor, a Probation Officer or the Coordinator. **Failure to appear for a drug test, refusal to provide a sample for a test or submit to a random test will be grounds for the issuance of a petition to revoke probation. Tampering with or diluting a drug screen may result in the issuance of a petition for the revocation of probation and may be grounds for termination from the Athens DUI/Drug Court.**

Call-in system for Urine Drug Screen (UDS): All Participants are required to participate in the Athens-Clarke County DUI Court random testing system. Participants must have access to a phone capable of mandatory, daily calls to the DUI Court automated testing system. Written instructions are provided by the DUI Court staff during the orientation meeting. Appearance for random UDS is mandatory. Failure to appear for a random test by the time specified is a violation of probation and will be addressed by the Court as a sanctionable offense. If a random call in drug screen is missed and no prior consent had been obtained, a participant is required to report to their Probation Officer by 9 a.m. the following business day.

Participants must provide a testable sample, one that is not "dilute" or "tampered with." "Dilute" urine tests are classified as those tests having a reading indicating a urine creatinine level of less than 20 mg/dL and a specific gravity of less than 1.003. (Creatinine is the substance in urine resulting from muscle breakdown. Specific Gravity is the concentration of dissolved materials relative to the amount of liquid.) In a diluted urine sample, it is possible that drugs may still be present in the urine but be below the cut-off level of the drug assay. A "tampered" sample is one where the urine is in a condition that is not testable due to intentional interference or other chemical reaction. Presenting a sample that is either dilute or tampered with is a sanctionable offense. Any attempt to provide urine that is not the participant's urine is a serious offense that may result in significant sanctions or dismissal from the program.

Upon the request for a drug screen:

- A participant indicates either a denial or admission to alcohol and/or drug use. **Honesty is a crucial component for recovery and participation in the Athens DUI/Drug Court. The Court may favorably consider self-disclosure-of-use a mitigating circumstance when sanctions are imposed.**

- The only people allowed in the testing area at the time of administration of the test are the participant and the individual overseeing the collection of the sample.
- A sample is to be submitted within one (1) hour of request. Failure to produce a sample will result in a petition for revocation.
- Purses, coats, bags, etc. are not allowed in the testing area.
- Shirtsleeves should be rolled up to the elbow and removal of any additional clothing item may be made to ensure the validity of a specimen.
- The test cup must be filled to a minimum 1/3 level to be adequate for testing.
- Collection of urine sample will be observed. In the event a drug screen cannot be observed, a temperature strip will be used to ensure sample integrity. If a urine sample does not provide an acceptable reading on the temperature strip, the participant will be required to provide a valid sample before leaving the collection site.
- Use of an artificial device or substance of any type to alter the test will result in significant sanctions which may include termination from the program.
- **Failure to comply with any of the above guidelines or refusing to provide a urine sample is considered a sanctionable offense.**

At the time of testing, a participant may request to provide an additional sample to be tested by an independent lab for the participant's own use. If a participant requests testing of an additional sample, the test collector will collect the additional sample to be sent to an independent lab. The participant must pay a non-refundable fee of \$45.00 to the DUI/Drug Court office within 1 business day in order for the additional sample to be sent to the independent lab. If this amount is not paid as required, the additional sample will not be sent to the independent lab.

If a participant provides a sample that tests positive or dilute, a participant may request the sample to be sent to an independent lab for a confirmation test. Requests for confirmation must be made at the DUI Court office within 2 business days of notification of the positive or dilute test. A payment of \$45.00 for the confirmation test must be made at the time of the request. If the payment is not made, the sample will not be sent for a confirmation test. If the independent lab does not confirm the positive or dilute result, the \$45.00 payment will be credited to the participant's account towards participant fees.

The EtG (ethyl glucuronide) Test can detect the ingestion of alcohol for a considerable time period after consumption. This technology is used to monitor participants' compliance. **Any test with an EtG level 500 ng/mL or above will be considered a "positive" drug screen for the purpose of petitioning a participant for a revocation or sanctions.** Any value between zero and 500 ng/mL is consistent with the conclusion that alcohol was present in the participant, and could result in increased testing or use of other testing methods. While as a participant may not be petitioned for a positive EtG level below 500 ng/ml, the DUI/Drug Court Team may consider it positive and evidence of the consumption of alcohol as far as treatment plans and phase progression. Positive, Elevated, Dilute, or Elevated tests will delay eligibility for phase progression or Graduation.

I. Incentives and Rewards

The Athens DUI/Drug Court Team recognizes compliance and good behavior as a critical factor to a successful recovery. Participants are provided incentives and receive rewards for active participation, consistent attendance and successful compliance with Program conditions.

Incentives are given for completion of DUI School, ignition interlock installation, clinical evaluation completion, attending Victim Impact Panel, license reinstatement and phase progression. Rewards for participation can include, but are not limited to credit for community service hours, gift certificates, goods provided by sponsors and individual recognition by a Judge and other Team members. Community service credit is given in accordance with the following guidelines:

1. Alcohol Risk Reduction/DUI School

If a participant is required to complete the Alcohol Risk Reduction/DUI School, they will receive credit for 50 hours of community service when you submit a copy of your certificate to your Counselor.

2. Phase Movement

Community service credit will also be awarded as follows for completion of each Phase of the DUI/Drug Court:

Phase 1 – 40 hours

Phase 2 – 40 hours

Phase 3 – 40 hours

3. Victim Impact Panel

If a participant is required to complete the Victim Impact Panel, they will receive 10 hours credit for community service upon completion of the Panel.

4. Clinical Evaluation

If a participant is required to have a Clinical Evaluation, talk he/she should talk with their Counselor to set up an appointment for the evaluation. This may be done only after completion of DUI School. Upon completion of the evaluation, the participant will receive 25 hours of community service credit.

5. Ignition Interlock Installation

50 hours of community service credit are awarded upon the completed installation of the Ignition Interlock Device and proof of that installation has been shown to the DUI/Drug Court.

6. Full License Reinstatement

Once the temporary Interlock permit expires and a participant receives full license privileges from the Department of Driver's Services, they must bring a copy of their driver's license and documentation of interlock removal to the DUI/Drug Court Office. Upon receipt of all documentation, 50 hours of community service credit will be awarded.

J. Certificates of Eligibility for Ignition Interlock

If a DUI/Drug Court participant's license is suspended as a result of a 2nd conviction for DUI in a 5 year period, a participant may be eligible based upon the determination of the Department of Driver's Services for limited permit with an approved ignition interlock device after 4 months if the appropriate certificates are issued by the judge and treatment. In order to qualify for the

issuance of the authorizing certificates after 4 months, the participant must meet the following criteria:

1. Completed Phase 1;
 2. From the date of orientation, completed 120 days with no positive drug/alcohol screens;
 3. Had no sanctions within the most recent 120 days
 4. Current with 12-step meetings
 5. Current with all payments or current with a payment plan; and
 6. Does not have any pending charges in other cases that are traffic related.
- A participant should contact the Coordinator to see if they are eligible for a certificate of eligibility. After receiving a certificate of eligibility for the Ignition Interlock, a participant should contact their Counselor for a Treatment Enrollment Certificate, if needed.

K. Driver's License Reinstatement

Once a participant is a candidate for license reinstatement, the DUI/Drug Court Team will provide all necessary assistance to help them meet the requirements as set forth by the Georgia Department of Driver's Services. A participant may:

1. Request that the Court Coordinator obtain a copy of their driving history. The Coordinator will review the history and provide a written statement about the status of the license and how to obtain reinstatement.
2. Any participant completing DUI School should give a copy of this certificate to their Counselor (required to phase up from phase 2 to phase 3).
3. All DUI/Drug Court fees must be current or a payment plan that has been approved by the DUI/Drug Court Coordinator must be in place.
4. If needed, Counselors will provide a Treatment Completion Certificate to participants in compliance with their Treatment Plan. Requests should be made two weeks in advance. Treatment Completion Certificate issuance is based on:
 - a. progression to Phase 4
 - b. no use of alcohol/drugs in violation of DUI/Drug Court rules, including having no Elevated, Dilute, or Suspect tests, for a minimum of 90 days prior to issuance
 - c. compliance with current Treatment Plan
 - d. no sanctions within the last 60 days
 - e. receipt of driving history letter from the Coordinator

III. COMPLIANCE AND VIOLATIONS

A. Probation

If a participant is on probation in another county, they must disclose their Probation Officer's name and contact information as well as the charges that resulted in that probation sentence. The Athens DUI/Drug Court will keep in touch with the other Probation Officer throughout the person's participation in the Athens DUI/Drug Court.

Participation in the Athens DUI/Drug Court is a condition of a probationary sentence. If conditions of a sentence or any conditions of the DUI/Drug Court Agreement (or any rules outlined in the Handbook) are violated, a petition for revocation will be submitted resulting in the participant appearing before a Judge for the probation violation allegations. A participant has the right to admit or deny the violation. If they admit, the Court will act on the petition for

revocation at that time. If they deny, a hearing will be scheduled on a future Court date. The DUI Drug Court Team will make a recommendation to the Court regarding sanctions (see below). In determining the recommendation, the DUI/Drug Court Team may take into consideration whether the participant took responsibility by admitting the violation. The Court is not bound by this recommendation and can increase/decrease the sanction or designate an entirely different sanction. The Judge does not participate or have any input into the recommendation to be made by the Team at the hearing. The Judge considers each case separately and always will provide the participant an opportunity to be heard.

Depending on the nature of the allegation, a petition for revocation of probation may or may not be accompanied by a warrant for arrest. The determination for whether an arrest warrant is issued is based on the seriousness of the violation, community safety, prior history of sanctions and appropriateness based upon participant's compliance. The issuance of a probation warrant is in the sole discretion of the Court.

B. Sanctions

All conditions of the DUI/Drug Court Participant Agreement that are signed on the day of orientation and all rules in this handbook are conditions of a probationary sentence. Failure to comply with those conditions may subject a person to probation revocation. Sanctionable offenses include but are not limited to:

- Dilute urine sample
- Tampered-with urine sample
- Positive drug screen on urine sample
- Missed random drug screen
- Attempt to falsify drug screen
- Missed group meeting
- Missed appointment
- Missed status conference
- Failure to notify cancellation of appointment with a counselor at least 24 hours in advance.
- Late for group meeting
- Late for status conference
- Failing to document 12-step meeting
- Failing to report as directed
- Traffic citation
- Arrest for a new offense
- Leaving the jurisdiction of court without permission
- Moving residence without permission
- Absconding
- Failure to make payments as directed
- Incorrect contact information (must have a working phone number with voicemail set-up)

The Judge will impose appropriate sanctions if there are violations of the DUI/Drug Court guidelines. Sanctions can include but are not limited to:

- a verbal or written reprimand from the Judge
- additional community service hours

- increased reporting to Probation and/or the DUI/Drug Court Office
- loss of driving privileges
- home confinement
- curfew
- increased testing – at participant’s expense
- electronic monitoring – at participant’s expense
- jail time
- increased level of treatment (see below)
- removal from DUI/Drug Court program

The goal in administering sanctions is to encourage compliance and accountability with the conditions of the Program and to assist a participant in progressing to their recovery. As part of this goal, if a sanction is imposed, a Counselor may increase or alter a participant’s accountability, structure, and/or counseling by submitting a Revised Treatment Plan. This plan will be presented to the participant at the time of their hearing. A Revised Treatment Plan may include additional drug/alcohol screens (at participant’s expense), an increase in individual counseling, increased 12-Step meetings, phase regression, and/or residing at a recovery residence or being referred to a higher level of treatment.

C. Removal from DUI/Drug Court Program

The Athens DUI/Drug Court is committed to providing each participant an opportunity to maintain a sober and drug free lifestyle in an environment conducive to achieving this goal. **The Athens DUI/Drug Court wants each participant to succeed, and considers removal only as a last resort.** The goal is to help a participant help themselves. Continued inclusion in this Program is contingent on compliance with the guidelines and regulations. Nevertheless, not everyone who enters the Athens DUI/Drug Court will be committed to maintaining sobriety and compliance with Program conditions. The Team may determine that removal of a participant for non-compliance is the most appropriate action for the success of all other participants. Serious violations or continuous violations will subject a participant to being terminated from the Program.

Following are a few examples of non-compliance that could result in removal:

- Threats of, or violence towards, peers, Counselors or DUI/Drug Court staff
- Committing a new criminal offense
- Altering or tampering with a drug screen
- An accumulation of violations and continuance of non-compliance with Program guidelines
- An inability or unwillingness to remain clean and sober
- Victimizing other participants in the program

D. Absconding

If a participant absconds (quits; runs away; flees; or stops reporting as required) for any reason, the participant will be subject to serious sanctions. Instead of running when a problem arises, the participant should bring the problem to the attention of a member of the DUI/ Drug Court Team who will work with them in an attempt to find a solution. Absconding only complicates the situation and may lead to removal from this Program and the possible revocation of the balance of probation.

E. Employment in retail alcohol sales and service industry

Program participants shall not enter nor frequent bars or any other business whose primary purpose in sales is alcoholic beverages; however, employment in restaurants and bars may be permitted, provided participant maintains sobriety and program compliance. Failure to maintain sobriety and program compliance will result in the Court considering whether the participant can continue to work at the site.

IV. ROLES OF THE TEAM MEMBERS

A. The Judges

The DUI/Drug Court Judges are aware of the significant impact of substance abuse on the Court system, the lives of participants and their families, victims of criminal behavior, and the entire community. The Judges are committed to the overall DUI/Drug Court concept and program goals and work as the Team leaders to encourage participant success. One of the roles of the DUI/Drug Court Judge is to work with the Treatment Team in developing protocols and procedures for participant success.

During Status Conferences in the Courtroom, the Judge will personally address and interact with each participant while monitoring their progress and accountability with program requirements.

The Judge has many other daily responsibilities which require judicial attention. Direct contact with the Judge or his office staff is not permitted. **The Judge cannot give legal advice. Information from the participant or a family member or friend must go through a Counselor, Probation Officer or the DUI/Drug Court Coordinator.** The Judge attends non-Court meetings with other Team members not only to review and evaluate participant progress, but also to evaluate appropriate alternatives. In addition, the Judge is an advocate for the Program by creating community interest and identifying community resources of value to participants to enable them to achieve their goal of improving the quality of their life.

B. The Solicitor-General

The Solicitor-General's Office determines each person's eligibility for the DUI/Drug Court, and without their cooperation, consent and agreement a person is not afforded the opportunity to participate in the DUI/Drug Court. This office, along with the person involved and their attorney, must agree that the DUI/Drug Court is a suitable component for any negotiated plea agreement accepted as a part of the sentence imposed by the Judge. Someone from the Solicitor-General's office attends Team sessions (Staffing) to monitor participant progress through the Program and to recommend appropriate sanctions, incentives and rewards for participants.

During participation in this Program, it is not appropriate to seek advice or legal counsel from the Solicitor-General's office. In the event of a probation revocation hearing, the Solicitor-General's office will advocate the State's position which may be adverse to the participant's position. The Solicitor-General will make recommendations to the Court regarding any sanctions that may be imposed and/or to the person's continued participation in the Program.

C. The Defense Attorney

The role of the Defense Attorney is to evaluate the participant's legal situation and protect his/her legal rights and to ensure that the program meets all due process requirements. Additionally, the Defense Attorney should provide advice to assist in determining legal options, treatment options, program conditions and potential sentencing outcomes.

When a person agrees, at the time of their sentencing, to enter the DUI/Drug Court, they have the right to legal counsel and to assist with such. If, for any reason, a person is brought before the Court for violating the terms of the DUI/Drug Court Agreement or Court Sentence, they will be informed of the right to legal counsel and a hearing. Like the Solicitor-General, the Defense Attorney also contributes by informing clients, peers, colleagues and other members of the legal community about the multiple benefits attributable to the DUI/Drug Court.

D. The DUI/Drug Court Coordinator

The DUI/Drug Court Coordinator, referred to in this document as the Coordinator, is the administrator of the Athens DUI/ Drug Court, and along with the Solicitor-General's office reviews each case to determine who is eligible for the DUI/Drug Court. The Coordinator also facilitates the communication and contact between all members of the DUI/Drug Court Team.

The Coordinator will meet with a participant when necessary involving any aspect of their DUI/Drug Court participation. The Coordinator is also the contact regarding any fine and/or fee issues and will monitor the financial obligation to the Court. Attending weekly Team conferences (Staffing) with the Counselors and with the rest of the DUI/Drug Court Team is another important aspect of this role. The Coordinator also keeps the Judges informed on the most updated information regarding each participant. In addition, the Coordinator' role is to inform, update and educate the public about the Athens DUI/Drug Court.

E. The Case Manager

The Case Manager assists with Maintaining Participant's information in the Case Management database, creating and revising any forms, organizing any necessary paperwork, and other general office management. The Case Manager also records and distributes messages to the Team, and assists the general public with any issues related to the Athens-Clarke County DUI/Drug Court.

F. The Probation Officer

The Probation Officer's primary responsibility is supervising and monitoring a participant's accountability in the DUI/Drug Court. Each participant is required to meet with the Probation Officer a minimum of once a month. If warranted, the Probation Officer can at any time increase the frequency of these monthly meetings. As a condition of participation in the DUI/ Drug Court, the Probation Officer has the authority to visit a participant anytime, day or night, at home, at school or at work. During these visits that person may be subject to drug and alcohol screens. The probation officer attends Staffing to inform the Judges and other Team members of the person's progress in the Program.

G. Law Enforcement

The DUI/Drug Court would not be possible without the support of law enforcement. Local law enforcement accepts the concept of Accountability Courts as being the best alternative to reducing repeat DUI and drug offenses. Participant supervision and monitored compliance with program conditions is essential to continued law enforcement support. Law enforcement may

be utilized to provide surveillance to ensure participant accountability with Program conditions. A designated law enforcement officer attends Staffing.

H. Counselors

A Counselor meets with each participant after their orientation at the courthouse to complete a clinical assessment of the participant to develop an individualized and comprehensive Treatment Plan. The participant is also assigned a group day and time and a Counselor at this time. The Counselor will review any medications, health issues, or concerns with the participant and help them to understand the requirements of the program. The assigned Counselor is responsible for recommending Treatment Plan modifications as needed. Each Counselor reports necessary information to the DUI/Drug Court Team during staffing to keep everyone on the team informed of each client's progress in the program (participation in group, attitude, up to date on 12-step meetings, etc.)

Honesty and Confidentiality: In order for the Counselors to really help you in your exploration of your relationship to substance use, it's important that you be open and honest to the best of your ability. **YOUR COUNSELOR IS HERE TO HELP!** All use of any substances or any "incidental exposure" to alcohol or other prohibited substances should be reported to your counselor and "admitted" on your Urine Drug Screen Form. Be ensured that your counselor will work hard to protect your confidential information while at the same time, trying to keep the DUI/Drug Court Team informed about the appropriate clinical level of care and treatment plan needs.

I. Drug Testing Advisor

The Drug Testing Advisor answers questions from the DUI/Drug Court Team concerning drug testing and the effects of drugs and other medications on test results. The Drug Testing Advisor reviews drug screen results and data collected and provides an expert opinion and analysis as to interpretation of drug test results and testing protocol.

J. Drug Lab Technician

The Drug Lab Technician observes and processes the urine drug and alcohol screens. The lab technician informs the Team of any relevant screen results and keeps the team up to date on research and testing methods.

V. COMMUNITY RESOURCES

A. TREATMENT COMMUNITY

Athens-Clarke County is very fortunate to have a strong recovery community. The following is a list of local Resources. For current telephone numbers, e-mail or addresses consult the telephone book or internet. See your Treatment Clinician or the Court Coordinator for complete listings

AA

Athens Area Central Office 706.389.4164
<http://www.athensaa.org/>

NA

General Information
<http://www.negana.org/> 1.800.837.4239

B. HOSPITALS

Athens Regional Medical Center 706.475.7000
Barrow Community Hospital 706.867.3400
St. Mary's Hospital 706.389.3000

C. BASIC NEEDS

Consumer Credit Counseling 706.613.1847
DFCS 706.227.7000
Athens Housing Authority 706.425.5300
Salvation Army 706.543.5350
United Way 706.543.5254

D. CRISIS LINES

The Cottage (Sexual Assault Center) 706.546.1133
Project Safe (Domestic Violence) 706.549.0922
GA Council on Child Abuse 800.546.9713
National Suicide Prevention Hotline 800-273-8255

E. SUBSTANCE ABUSE

Alcoholics Anonymous Georgia 706-543-0436
Cocaine Hotline 1.800.905.8666
Drug Helpline 1.800.378.4435
Center 24 Hour Helpline 1.800.950.7226
Narcotics Anonymous Atlanta 404.362.8484

VI. REFERRALS FOR ASSISTANCE

EMPLOYMENT

Make an appointment with your Counselor for assistance with employment.

HEALTHCARE

Clarke County Health Department 706.389.6921
Athens Nurses Clinic 706.613.6976
Athens Neighborhood Health Center
College Avenue 706.546.5526
McKinley Street 706.543.1145

HOUSING AND SHELTER

Beech Haven Church 706.548.2246
<http://www.beechhaven.org/>
Ebenezer Baptist Church 706.543.9644
<http://ebcw.org/site/>
Salvation Army 706.543.5350
<http://www.salvationarmy.org/>

St. Joseph Charity	706.549.4208
http://stjosephathens.org/st-joseph-charities	
Sparrows Nest Church	706.549.6693
http://sparrowsnestmission.org/	
Timothy Baptist	706.549.1435
http://www.timothybaptist.org/	

This is a list of some of the ancillary social services available in Athens-Clarke County. For more information call the United Way or Community Connection at 211 – the clearing house for programs and services in Northeast Georgia.

VII. MEDICATIONS TO AVOID (Do not take these medications)

**THIS LIST IS NOT INTENDED TO BE ALL INCLUSIVE.
ALL MEDICATIONS MUST BE CLEARED THROUGH YOUR COUNSELOR
PRIOR TO TAKING.**

Note: Drug Name® = Brand Name

A

Actiq® (fentanyl)

Adipex-P® (phentermine)

Adderall® (dextroamphetamine + amphetamine)

alcohol (ethanol, ethyl alcohol) or anything containing ethyl alcohol including

“Alcohol-Free” beer. Many over-the-counter liquid preparations such as cough syrups, cold medications, mouthwash, body washes or gels, etc. may contain alcohol and may produce a positive EtG (alcohol) urine drug screen. It is **YOUR** responsibility to read the labels on these preparations, or ask a pharmacist to make sure the products you use do not contain alcohol.

alprazolam (Xanax®)

Ambien® (zolpidem)

amphetamine or any product containing amphetamine or any of its derivatives, such as dextroamphetamine (Dexedrine®), benzphetamine (Didrex®), methamphetamine (Desoxyn®, speed, meth, ice, crystal, etc.), DOM, de- or di-methoxyamphetamine and others.

Ativan® (lorazepam)

atropine or any product containing atropine

AtroPen® or any other product containing atropine

B

barbiturates, including but not limited to butabarbital (Butisol®), butalbital (Fiorinal® and others), mephobarbital (Mebaral®), phenobarbital (Nembutal®, yellow jackets, (Donnatal®), secobarbital (Seconal®, red devils, Xmas trees, rainbows), thiopental (Pentothal®) and any other barbiturate.

Bontrill® or Prelu-2® (phendimetrazine tartrate)

bufotenin (dimethylserotonin)

buprenorphine (Suboxone®, Zubsolv®)

bupirone

Butisol® (butabarbital)

C

carbamazepine (Carbatrol®)

Carbatrol® (carbamazepine)

carisoprodol (Soma®)

chloral hydrate

chlorazepate (Tranxene®)

chlordiazepoxide (Limbitrol®, Librax®)

chlorzoxazone (Parafon Forte®)

clonazepam (Klonopin®)

cocaine

codeine or any medication containing codeine, such as cough syrups (Robitussin A-C®, Tussin A-C®, and others.)

D

Demerol® (meperidine)

Desoxyn® speed, meth, ice, crystal, etc. (methamphetamine)

Dexedrine® (dexies or hearts; dextroamphetamine, or any product containing dextroamphetamine)

DET (diethyltryptamine, and all other tryptamine derivatives, such as DMT dimethyltryptamine and others)

dextromethorphan (DM) and any product containing this substance

diazepam (Valium®)

Didrex® (benzphetamine)

diethylpropion

Dilaudid® (hydromorphone)

diphenoxylate (Lomotil®)

DMT (dimethyltryptamine)

Dolophine® (methadone)

Donnatal® (phenobarbital + atropine + hyoscyamine + scopolamine)

droperidol (Inapsine®)

Duragesic® (fentanyl)

Duramorph® (morphine)

E

Empirin® with any amount of codeine

Empracet® with any amount of codeine

ephedrine and any product containing this substance, including ephedra products

Equagesic® (meprobamate + aspirin)

eszopiclone (Lunestra®)

F

fentanyl (Sublimaze®, Actiq®, Durogesic®, Duragesic®, Fentora®, Onsolis®, Instanyl®)

and others)

Fentora® (fentanyl)

Fiorinal® (butalbital, aspirin, caffeine) and any with codeine.

flurazepam

G

GHB (gammahydroxybutyric acid)

H

Halcion® (triazolam)

hashish or hashies

heroin (diacetyl morphine, E, horse, dope, smack, junk)

hydrocodone and any products containing hydrocodone (Vicodin®, Lorcet®, Lortab®, Tussionex®, Zydone® as examples, and many others)

hyrdomorphone (Dilaudid)

hydroxyzine (Vistaril®)

hyoscine

I

ibogaine

Inapsine® (droperidol)

inhalants, such as paint, glue, Freon, or any substance under pressure not for medicinal use.

Instanyl® (fentanyl)

Ionamin® (phentermine)

K

Ketalar® (ketamine)

ketamine (Ketalar®)

Klonopin® (clonazepam)

L

laudanum (tincture of opium)

levorphanol

Librax® (chlordiazepoxide + clidinium)

Limbitrol® (chlordiazepoxide + amitryptiline)

Lomotil® (diphenoxylate + atropine)

Lorazepam (Ativan®)

Lorcet®, Lortab® (hydrocodone + acetaminophen)

LSD (lysergic acid diethylamide, "acid")

Lunesta® (eszopiclone)

M

marijuana (pot, grass, Mary Jane, etc.)

Mebaral® (mephobarbital)

Melfiat® (phendimetrazine)

meperidine and any other drug products containing meperidine

meprobamate (Miltown®, Pathibamate®, Equagesic®, Equanil® and others)

methadone (Dolophine[®], Methadose[®])
Methadose[®] (methadone)
methocarbamol (Robaxin[®], Robaxisal[®])
methylphenidate (Ritalin[®])
midazolam (Versed[®])
Miltown[®] (meprobamate)
mescaline
MDMA (methylenedioxyamphetamine)
morphine and any other drug products containing morphine or its derivatives and combinations (Duramorph[®], Roxanol[®] and others)

N

naloxone (Suboxone)
nalbuphine (Nubain[®])
Nembutal[®] (pentobarbital, yellow jackets)
Norflex[®] (orphenadrine)
Nubain[®] (nalbuphine)

O

Onsolis[®] (fentanyl)
Opana ER[®] (oxymorphone)
opium or any of its constituents
orphenadrine (Norflex[®])
oxazepam
oxycodone (Oxycontin[®] and other products containing oxycodone such Percobarb[®], Percocet[®], Percodan[®])
Oxycontin[®] (oxycodone and other products containing oxycodone)
oxymorphone (Opana ER[®])

P

Parafon Forte[®] (chlorzoxazone)
Pathibamate[®] (Meprobamate)
PCP (phencyclidine)
pentazocine (Talwin[®])
Pentothal[®] (thiopental)
Percobarb[®], Percocet[®], Percodan[®] (oxycodone)
peyote
phendimetrazine (Bontril[®], Melfiat[®], Prelu-2[®], Plegine[®])
Phenergan[®] (promethazine)
Plegine[®] (phendimetrazine)
Prelu-2[®] (phendimetrazine)
paregoric (camphorated tincture of opium)
propantheline
prochlorperazine
promethazine (Phenergan[®])
psilocybin, psilocin
pseudoephedrine (Sudafed[®])

R

Restoril® (Temazepam)
Ritalin® (methylphenidate)
Robaxin®, Robaxisal® (methocarbamol)
Robitussin A-C®, Tussin A-C® or any cough syrup containing codeine
Roxanol® (morphine)
Roxicet® (oxycodone + acetaminophen)
Roxicodone® (oxycodone)
Ryzolt® (tramadol)

S

Seconal® (secobarbital, red devils, XMAS trees, rainbow)
scopolamine
Sonata® (zalepon)
Soma® (carisoprodol)
Stadol® (butorphanol)
Sublimaze® (fentanyl)
Suboxone® (buprenorphine + naloxone)

T

Talwin® (pentazocine)
temazepam (Restoril®)
tramadol (Ryzolt®, Ultram®)
trazadone (Desyrel®)
triazolam (Halcion®)
Tranxene® (chlorazepate)
Trazadone® (desyrel)
Tussionex® (hydrocodone)
Tylox® (oxycodone)

U

Ultram® (tramadol)

V

Valium® (diazepam)
Versed® (midazolam)
Vicodin®, Vicoprofen® (hydrocodone)
Vistaril® (hydroxyzine)

X

Xanax® (alprazolam)

Z

zalepon (Sonata®)
zolpidem (Ambien®)
Zubsolv® (buprenorphine + naloxone)
Zydone® (hydrocodone)

Also prohibited is any product labeled “not intended for human consumption,” intended to be smoked, ingested or injected for the purposes of “getting high.” Spice and K2 are examples of these products. There are different kinds of Spice such as K2 Summit, K2 Ultra, and K2 Blonde and others. There are even newer versions of Spice named K2 Sky Herb, K2 Orisha, and K2 Thai. These products contain herbal mixtures with cannabinomimetic compounds added to the mixture.

Another group of products known as ‘Bath salts’, but not intended for bathing, is also prohibited. Such products contain chemicals similar to amphetamines. They are often called “bath salts” but are also sold under names such as Ivory Wave, Purple Wave, Red Dove, White Dove, Blue Silk, and Zoom. Some have also been labeled as plant food.

All of these products are prohibited from human use by DUI/Drug Court participants and are classified by DEA and GBND as class I, not for human use. These products are found in head shops, gas stations, smoke shops and other convenience stores.

Also included: any controlled substance listed in the official code of Georgia annotated § 16-13-25 SCHEDULE I, § 16-13-26 SCHEDULE II, § 16-13-27 SCHEDULE III, and § 16-13-28 SCHEDULE IV.

In addition, possession of any dangerous drug in § 16-13-71(b) is prohibited unless authorized by a valid prescription written by a licensed medical practitioner.

[The use of any product that attempts to simulate the effect or activity of any illegal or controlled substance is also prohibited for use by a participant in this program.](#)

VIII. MEDICATIONS THAT MAY BE TAKEN

OVER-THE-COUNTER (OTC) MEDICATIONS THAT MAY BE TAKEN TO RELIEVE PAIN:

acetylsalicylic acid (Aspirin[®], Ecotrin[®], Bufferin[®])
acetaminophen (Tylenol[®])
ibuprofen (Motrin[®], Advil[®], Medipren[®])
naproxen (Aleve[®])

There are many other products that contain combinations of the above ingredients, and some of those combinations contain ingredients that you are not allowed to take. You must read the ingredient list of all drugs that you may take to be sure that you are not taking a drug that is not allowed. If in doubt, ask your counselor or a pharmacist.

OTC MEDICATIONS THAT MAY BE TAKEN TO RELIEVE ALLERGY SYMPTOMS:

cetirizine (Zyrtec[®])

chlorpheniramine (Chlor-Trimeton®)
clemastine (Tavist®)
diphenhydramine (Benadryl®)
fexofenadine (Allegra®)
loratidine (Claritin®)

These drugs are also available in many combinations with other drugs, some of which should not be taken. You must read the ingredient list of all drugs that you may take to be sure that you are not taking a drug that is not allowed.

INGREDIENTS IN OTC DRUGS THAT MUST BE AVOIDED:

dextromethorphan, (DM)
pseudoephedrine
ephedrine

Abuse of any drug, that is, taking a drug in higher quantities or more often than listed on the dosing information supplied with the drug, is strictly prohibited.

Other medications may be appropriate to take, but you must check with your Counselor prior to taking them. You must notify your Counselor of all medications taken and a copy of all prescriptions must be provided to your Counselor before they are filled.

ANY MEDICATION USED MUST BE TAKEN ONLY ACCORDING TO THE DIRECTIONS GIVEN IN THE DRUG PACKAGE INSERT OR BY A PHYSICIAN'S WRITTEN ORDER.

IX. CONTACT INFORMATION

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Charles E. Auslander, III, Athens-Clarke County State Court Judge

Ben Makin, Magistrate

N. Kent Lawrence, Senior Judge

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Ryan Hope

DUI/Drug Court Coordinator: Lee Rushton

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Rebecca Coates Keane, LCSW– Counselor

Dennis Cain, LMFT, Clinical Evaluator – Counselor

Notes:

I HAVE READ, UNDERSTAND AND AGREE TO ALL THE CONDITIONS SET FORTH IN THIS MANUAL.

Name (Printed)

Signature

Date