



## **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 in development, existing with team turn-over, or a team with limited training and has not participated in an NCDC or NADCP program in the past.

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

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

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

The whole team must attend because discussions will be done during jurisdiction breakouts, resulting in an action plan for the next six months following the training.

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

This interactive training for the whole team addresses 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. 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 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 with attending the training?**

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

### **What is the cost to participate?**

Free! NCDC, through its cooperative agreement with NHSTA, will travel to jurisdictions to provide onsite facilitation, using a multimedia training format.

### **What are the requirements for the training?**

1. Training space with adequate room to accommodate your team and two facilitators. A courtroom, jury room, or conference room are examples of spaces that could be used.
2. Training space equipped with high-speed internet/reliable wi-fi and AV equipment such as a projector, Polycom, or similar equipment to log in and view plenary sessions, and sufficient audio.

### **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, a folder of essential information, a 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 (required disciplines are identified).

Jurisdictions selected for the training will be notified by NCDC staff via email.

