**Veterans Treatment Court** is a 24 month intensive program that addresses behavioral health and criminal behavior utilizing a collaborative problem solving court model specifically for veterans.

The program is voluntary. We want you to have as much information as possible prior to entering the program.

You can find the ***complete participant handbook*** on our webpage: <https://www.courts.state.co.us/Courts/District/Custom.cfm?District_ID=1&Page_ID=673>

**Here are a few things to know about Veterans Treatment Court before agreeing to enter the program:**

\_\_\_\_\_\_ You will **not** be able to use medical marijuana in Veterans Treatment Court.

\_\_\_\_\_\_ You will be responsible to get to your Veterans Treatment Court services which are all in the Jefferson County/metro Denver area. We have some bus tickets, but you are responsible for your transportation. You will be held accountable for all missed services.

\_\_\_\_\_\_ You will be required to submit multiple drug tests per week. We do not allow any other form of testing than urine tests.

\_\_\_\_\_\_ You will be required to attend probation appointments weekly in the first phase of the program.

\_\_\_\_\_\_ You will be required to attend court reviews weekly in the first phase of the program.

\_\_\_\_\_\_You will be required to attend treatment groups and individual sessions multiple times per week.

\_\_\_\_\_\_ You **may** be required to live at a sober living home as part of your program.

\_\_\_\_\_\_ You **may** be required to complete an inpatient treatment program as part of your program. This can be 21 days or longer where you will live at the facility. Some programs do not let you leave the facility until you have completed.

\_\_\_\_\_\_ You must provide proof of all prescriptions to your Veterans Treatment Court probation officer. You will not be allowed to use medication that may be addictive in nature if there are alternatives your doctor agrees to prescribe.

\_\_\_\_\_\_ You will receive responses to your behavior from the court each review. These may be incentives for positive behaviors or sanctions for negative behaviors or therapeutic adjustments for treatment progress or lack of progress.

\_\_\_\_\_\_ The program does not tolerate tampering with drug tests-including dilute samples.

\_\_\_\_\_\_ If you get out of custody and run from the program and/or commit another crime -you may not get another chance at Veterans Treatment Court. There is no guaranteed second chance with this program.

\_\_\_\_ You are not able to participate in 2 problem solving courts at the same time. If you are in a family treatment court when accepted to Veterans Treatment Court-you will have to choose which program to be in. If you are offered another problem solving court on another case while in Veterans Treatment Court-you will have to choose one program.

\_\_\_\_\_\_ You will be provided resources to help you succeed, potentially including housing, treatment, peer mentoring and support, transportation assistance.

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|  | PHASE 1 | PHASE 2 | PHASE 3 | PHASE 4 |
| Timeframe | Minimum 30 days | Minimum 120 days | Minimum 180 days | Minimum 90 days |
| Sobriety | * 14 days of sobriety * Submit 100% negative UAs for 14 days in a row | * 60 days of sobriety * Submit 100% negative UAs for 60 days in a row | * 90 days of sobriety * Submit 100% negative UAs for 90 days in a row | * 90 days of sobriety * Submit 100% of UAs for 90 days in a row |
| Paperwork | * Create a goal sheet with your probation officer | * Work towards goals established with probation. | * Work towards goals established with probation. * Create an aftercare plan and present to team and court. | * Petition team for graduation and have approved at least 2 weeks prior to graduation. |
| Treatment | * Establish contact with VA and/or community providers | * Attend treatment services * Follow individualized treatment plan | * Attend treatment services * Follow individualized treatment plan | * Implement aftercare plan with therapist * Attend treatment services |
| Housing |  | * Obtain safe and stable housing | * Maintain sober and supportive housing with verification | * Maintain sober and supportive housing with verification |
| Support | * Work with veteran mentors | Work with veteran mentors | * Establish pro-social supports and activities * Work with veteran peer mentors | * Maintain a schedule as approved by your probation officer. * Maintain pro-social supports/activities |
| Court and Probation | * Complete Court Responses * Maintain Contact with your probation officer | * Complete Court Responses * Develop a schedule with PO, employment, school, or volunteering | * Complete Court Responses * Meet goals of probation case plan | * Complete Court Responses * Meet goals of probation case plan |
| Other | * Must be strong performer for 2 weeks consecutively with no program violations. | * Must be strong performer for 4 weeks consecutively with no program violations | * Must be strong performer for 6 weeks consecutively with no program violations | * Must be strong performer for 8 weeks consecutively with no program violations * Pay all court costs and restitution or comply with payment plan |