

MONTGOMERY COUNTY ADULT DRUG COURT INTERVENTION TRACK

Drug Court is offering an Intervention Track for lower level offenders, diagnosed with a substance use disorder, who would not normally qualify for Drug Court due to minimal backup time.

Eligibility: Cases will originate in District Court with 18 months or less of incarcerable time. Participants must be deemed high risk/high need, clinically appropriate, and have less than seven prior convictions. DWI offenders with four convictions or less will be eligible for the Intervention Track. Any DWI offender with five or more convictions will need to complete the traditional Drug Court track.

Referrals: All referral forms should be emailed to Jenna Davis at jenna.davis@mdcourts.gov or faxed to (240) 773-3913.

Admission: Participants will enter a guilty plea or admit to a violation of probation in order to enroll in the program. All cases will need to transfer to Circuit Court by way of jury demand or appeal. Upon admission, the participant will be placed on three years of supervised probation with a special condition of completing the Drug Court Intervention track.

Program Length: The program is a minimum of 12 months in duration.

Housing: Participants will reside in a sober house or other court-approved residence. PRRS will not be utilized upon admission.

Treatment: Second Chance will be the primary treatment provider. Outpatient Addiction Services and other providers will be utilized as needed.

Phase Structure: The program has three phases with the length of time in each phase being a minimum of four months.

Incentives/Sanctions: Responses to behavior will coincide with the standard set of incentives and sanctions associated with the traditional Drug Court track. This includes the use of PRRS if housing concerns arise during program participation.

Graduation: Probation will be closed satisfactorily upon successful completion of the Drug Court Intervention Track. Participants will be eligible for reconsideration of sentence six months after Graduation if they participate in alumni activities and submit one to two random urinalyses each month.