



WARREN COUNTY COMMON PLEAS COURT
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WCMAT DRUG COURT

The Warren County Medication Assisted Treatment (WCMAT) Program is a specialized docket of the Warren County Common Pleas Court that held its first session on Wednesday, February 3, 2016.

Through the efforts of numerous staff from the Warren County Common Pleas Court and the local community, an Advisory Committee was established in the summer of 2015 and initial certification was received on December 31, 2015.

The WCMAT Drug Court Program is a Vivitrol medication program that will target the growing heroin epidemic in Warren County. Defendants that qualify for the WCMAT Drug Court will engage in a high level of treatment and accountability. They will participate in the WCMAT Court from twelve to eighteen months. An emphasis is placed on obtaining employment, participating in sober support, housing and driver's license.

Warren County is privileged to have the WCMAT Drug Court to assist in curbing the epidemic heroin problem in our county.

Judge Robert W. Peeler is the WCMAT Drug Court Judge.

Mission Statement

The mission of WCMAT is to enhance community safety and restore productive law abiding citizens by breaking the cycle of drug and alcohol addiction. WCMAT will provide a court-managed, medically assisted drug intervention treatment and monitoring Program, that assists Participants with opioid dependency diagnosis in developing a sober lifestyle through evidence based intervention and treatment in a non-adversarial approach, as an alternative to traditional case processing. WCMAT will strive to transform these offenders into positive, contributing members of the community thereby closing the "revolving door" to the criminal justice system.

The Ten Key Components

The National Association of Drug Court Professionals has identified ten key components for successful Drug Courts. These elements, as set forth below, are considered essential to a Drug Court's success and WCMAT strives to incorporate all of them:

- 1) Drug Courts integrate alcohol and other drug treatment services with justice system case processing.
- 2) Using a non-adversarial approach, prosecution and defense counsel promote public safety while protecting Participants' due process rights.
- 3) Eligible Participants are identified early and promptly placed in the Program.
- 4) Drug Courts provide access to a continuum of alcohol, drug and other related treatment and rehabilitation services.
- 5) Abstinence is monitored by frequent alcohol and other drug testing.
- 6) A coordinated strategy governs Drug Court responses to Participants' compliance.
- 7) Ongoing judicial interaction with each Program Participant is essential.
- 8) Monitoring and evaluation measure the achievement of Program goals and gauge effectiveness.
- 9) Continuing interdisciplinary education promotes effective Program planning, implementation and operations.
- 10) Forging partnerships among Drug Courts, public agencies, and community-based organizations generates local support and enhances WCMAT effectiveness.

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WCMAT Application

Entry Ordering Assessment for WCMAT

WCMAT Participation Agreement

WCMAT Participant Handbook

WCMAT Program Description

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