

FAYETTE COUNTY PROBLEM-SOLVING COURTS

VETERAN’S COURT MANUAL

ACKNOWLEDGMENT FORM

I, \_\_\_\_\_ acknowledge that I have received a copy of the Fayette County Problem Solving Courts, Veteran’s Court, Manual. I understand all policies and procedures contained in the manual. I agree to abide by all policies and procedures listed in the manual. I understand that failure to abide by all of the policies and procedures may result in my termination from the program and possible incarceration.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Witness: \_\_\_\_\_

# FAYETTE COUNTY VETERAN'S TREATMENT COURT MANUAL

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## Mission Statement

The mission of the Fayette County Veteran's Treatment Court is to provide our Veteran's with the opportunity to participate in rehabilitative services in order to address any mental health, substance abuse, or lifestyle issue that has occurred in correlation with their military service.

## Program Description

The Fayette County Veteran's Treatment Court is a pretrial diversionary program for offenders diagnosed with a legitimate mental illness. Offenders are referred to the program by, but not limited to, Police Officers, District Justices, Attorneys, Probation Officers, Case Workers, Treatment Providers, The Fayette County Behavioral Health Administration, and Judges. The treatment team consisting of the Fayette County Veteran's Treatment Court Coordinator, a Veterans Affairs Justice Outreach (VAJO) Specialist, Veterans Affairs, local providers, a representative from the District Attorney's office, Case Managers, and The Fayette County Behavioral Health Administration evaluates the appropriateness of the referrals and then the offenders are either accepted into Veteran's Treatment Court or referred back to the criminal justice system. In order for an offender to participate in Veteran's Treatment Court they will be required to enter a guilty plea to the offense(s) with which they are charged.

Once an offender is placed into the Veteran's Treatment Court they will be linked with all necessary services and assigned a specialized mental health Probation Officer through Fayette County Adult Probation. The Adult Probation Officer is responsible for monitoring offender compliance with the court system while the VJOS is responsible for assisting offenders in accessing necessary services and providing advocacy as needed.

Participants in the program will be expected to honor an approximate 12-18 month commitment. The program consists of three phases. Phase I begins with weekly appointments with the Veteran's Treatment Court Coordinator (as deemed necessary by treatment team), bi-monthly appointments with their probation officer (as deemed necessary by treatment team) and bi-monthly reinforcement hearings. If the offender is able to demonstrate compliance with their treatment plans for approximately 3-6 months they will be promoted to the next phase. Phase II consists of bimonthly appointments with the Veteran's Treatment Court coordinator, monthly appointments with their probation officer, and monthly reinforcement hearings. If the offender continues to comply for 6 months they will progress to the final phase which includes monthly appointments with the Veteran's Treatment Court Coordinator, monthly appointments with their probation officer and monthly reinforcement hearings for the final 3-6 months. Sanctions are ordered by the presiding Judge in the event of non-compliance. Clients will be issued certificates of completion of the program.

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## 10 Key Components of Veteran's Treatment Court

WHEREAS, there are ten key components\* which basically define Veteran's Treatment Court and under which the respective agencies will work cooperatively, and they are:

**Key Component #1:** Veterans Treatment Court integrate alcohol, drug treatment, and mental health services with justice system case processing.

Fayette County Veteran's Treatment Court promotes sobriety and assistance in receiving the necessary substance abuse services and mental health services. The Court will work with the local Veteran's Outpatient Clinic in regards to assessing and receiving the necessary substance abuse and mental health services, as well as case management services if deemed necessary.

**Key Component #2:** Using a nonadversarial approach, prosecution and defense counsel promote public safety while protecting participants' due process rights.

Fayette County's legal community will work in conjunction with one another to assist our Veteran's in progressing through the court process as well as impacting the likelihood for consistent and long term legal compliance.

**Key Component #3:** Eligible participants are identified early and promptly placed in the Veterans Treatment Court program.

Early identification of veterans entering the criminal justice system is an integral part of the process of placement in the Veterans Treatment Court program. Individuals ranging from our local police force to our defense attorneys will screen for military experience in order refer eligible individuals to the Veteran's Treatment Court.

**Key Component #4:** Veterans Treatment Court provides access to a continuum of alcohol, drug, mental health and other related treatment and rehabilitation services.

While initial focus is on mental illness and substance abuse, the Veteran's Treatment Court Treatment Team will assist participants in obtaining all services necessary and addressing any other needs. These include, but are not limited to; employment, education, medical needs, financial needs, housing, and social supports.

**Key Component #5:** Abstinence is monitored by frequent alcohol and other drug testing.

Veteran's Treatment Court Participants will be subject to random drug screens throughout the program to ensure compliance with program rules and assist in rehabilitation.

**Key Component #6:** A coordinated strategy governs Veterans Treatment Court responses to participants' compliance.

A veteran's progress through the treatment court experience is measured by his or her compliance with their individualized treatment plan developed by the Veteran's Treatment Court Treatment Team. The Treatment Team will coordinate and communicate regarding participant compliance and / or treatment plan change.

**Key Component #7:** Ongoing judicial interaction with each Veteran is essential.

The judge is the leader of the Veterans Treatment Court team. This active, supervising relationship, maintained throughout treatment, increases the likelihood that a veteran will remain in treatment and improves the chances for sobriety and law-abiding behavior. Ongoing judicial supervision also communicates to veterans that someone in authority cares about them and is closely watching what they do.

**Key Component #8:** Monitoring and evaluation measures the achievement of program goals and gauge effectiveness.

Data will be collected and monitored regarding the Veteran's Treatment Court progress. The Fayette County Treatment Court Planning Committee will hold monthly meetings to assess data and discuss any changes that may need to occur to encourage program success and growth.

**Key Component #9:** Continuing interdisciplinary education promotes effective Veterans Treatment Court planning, implementation, and operations.

All Veterans Treatment Court staff will participate in any available educational opportunities that help them to further provide quality service to the Court participants. These include training opportunities from any accredited institution as well as the local Veteran's Affairs office.

**Key Component #10:** Forging partnerships among Veterans Treatment Court, Veterans Administration, public agencies, and community-based organizations generates local support and enhances Veteran Treatment Court effectiveness.

The Veteran's Treatment Court Coordinator will be responsible for providing community outreach in order to coordinate with other local entities. This includes publishing data, conducting educational presentations, attending local events, and communicating the overall success of the program. Linking with local community based organizations is a vital aspect of the program.

\*Excerpted from "Defining Drug Courts; The Key Components" published by the National Association of Drug Court Professionals; The Drug Court Standards Committee

## Qualifying Factors for Veteran's Treatment Court

The defendant must be a resident of Fayette County, Pennsylvania. Offenders must also have a major Axis I diagnosis verified by a licensed Mental Health Professional within the last 2 years. If an offender does not have a diagnosis verified in the last 2 years they will have to undergo the appropriate assessment.

## Referral Criteria

- Fayette County Resident (At time of offense & throughout program)
- 18 or Older
- History of Mental Illness
- Limited Prior Record

## Disqualification

- Those who have committed the following crimes:
  - Murder
  - Voluntary Manslaughter
  - Assault by Life Prisoner
  - Drug Trafficking
  - Assault by Prisoner
  - Kidnapping
  - Rape
  - Adam Walsh Act
  - Aggravated Indecent Assault
  - Theft by Extortion w/ Threats of Violence
  - Involuntary Deviant Sexual Intercourse
  - Drug Trafficking to Minors
  - Escape

Those who have an out of county or State Detainer

\*Please Note: The District Attorney at his/her discretion may waive charges for those who have committed a crime that is ineligible and make the defendant eligible to participate. The charge of DUI will be at the discretion of the District Attorney and Veteran's Treatment Court Judge.

## Referral Process

### **STEP 1 – REFERRAL**

Defense Counsel/Defendant must obtain an application which is available from the Treatment Court Coordinator at the **Adult Probation Office**, the **Veterans Office**, the **Administrative Office of Fayette County Courts** or the website of the Administrative Office at **www.co.fayette.pa.us** .

The defendant signs the service plan and any questions / concerns are addressed.

Defense Counsel/Defendant forwards the original referral packet along directly to the Treatment Court Coordinator at the Adult Probation Office.

### **STEP 2 – VETERANS ELIGIBILITY**

Treatment Court Coordinator forwards the VA referral form to the Veterans Affairs Justice Outreach (VAJO) Specialist.

VAJO Specialist determines eligibility, enrollment and diagnosis.

The VAJO Specialist may refer the Defendant to services.

### **STEP 3 – CONFIRMATION OF ELIGIBILITY**

If eligibility is not established, the District Attorney and Defense Counsel are notified by the Treatment Court Coordinator. If an individual is ineligible the Treatment Court Coordinator and VAJO will determine whether or not the individual is eligible for any other relevant services and make the appropriate referrals.

Upon confirmation of eligibility, the Treatment Court Coordinator forwards the initial referral packet and service plan to the District Attorney.

### **STEP 4 – PROSECUTOR’S REVIEW**

District Attorney reviews current offense(s).

If approved, District Attorney enters Treatment Court Charge(s) and Plea Offer(s) on route slip.

District Attorney signs and dates the referral and routing slip and forwards initial referral packet and service plan directly to the Treatment Court Coordinator at Adult Probation Office.

If the District Attorney does not approve Treatment Court, the Treatment Court Coordinator forwards a copy of declined referral back to Defense Attorney.

#### **STEP 5 - DEFENDANT'S REVIEW**

If the District Attorney approves Treatment Court, the Treatment Court Coordinator forwards the initial referral packet and service plan to Defense Attorney for review of plea offer.

Defense Attorney/Defendant review plea offer and signs only the route slip.

Defense Attorney sends signed original routing slip and initial referral packet complete with service plan directly to Treatment Court Coordinator at Adult Probation Office.

#### **STEP 6 - TREATMENT TEAM REVIEW**

Treatment team meets to review the charges, previous record and history to determine eligibility into Treatment Court and makes recommendation for the Defendants Treatment Plan.

If the Treatment Team does not agree with entry into Treatment Court, the Treatment Court Coordinator sends letter citing reason for decline to Defense Attorney.

#### **STEP 7 - VICTIM'S REVIEW**

Upon approval of the Treatment Team, the Treatment Court Coordinator forwards the initial referral packet and service plan to the Victim's Advocate for review.

Victim's Advocate enters name of victim(s) on the routing slip, ensures the victim(s) is contacted and is informed of the Defendant being admitted to the Treatment Court and the plea offer.

The Victim's Advocate checks (Y) or (N) line to verify if the victim(s) agrees/disagrees to verify victim(s) was contacted, signs and dates the referral and routing slip and forwards to the Treatment Court Coordinator at Adult Probation Office.

If the victim(s) disagrees, the Treatment Court Coordinator sends initial referral packet and service plan back to the District Attorney's Office so that they may contact the victim(s)

### **STEP 8 – TREATMENT COURT PLEA IS SCHEDULED**

The Treatment Court Coordinator compiles a list of defendants ready for plea along with case numbers and defense counsel and forwards to all parties.

The Court, by court order, schedules the plea dates.

The Treatment Court Coordinator notifies all parties, including the Veterans Mentor, of the scheduled plea date.

The Defendant is introduced to the Veterans Mentor at the plea proceedings.

The Defendant enters a plea before the Presiding Judge.

### **STEP 9 – TREATMENT COURT SENTENCING DATE IS SCHEDULED**

The judge, by court order, schedules sentencing date.

The Treatment Court Coordinator notifies all parties, including Veterans Mentor, of the scheduled sentencing date.

After all signatures are obtained, the original Service Plan is presented to the Presiding Judge at the time of sentencing for signature.

The Service Plan must be signed by the Defendant, Presiding Judge, and VAJO Specialist. (Note: The Victims Advocate signature is obtained on the Referral)

The Defendant is sentenced to Treatment Court.

The Service Plan now becomes a binding document for the defendant to follow.

### **STEP 10 – REINFORCEMENT HEARINGS**

Are scheduled on a bi-monthly basis (both positive and negative hearings are held) and all parties are notified of the date of the review hearings by the Treatment Court Coordinator.

The Treatment Court Treatment Team meets once a month to discuss upcoming review hearings, Service Plans for new referrals and address any problems/issues.

Review Hearing paperwork is sent to Presiding Judge, District Attorney, Defense Counsel and Adult Probation Office approximately two – three days prior to the hearing date by the Treatment Court Coordinator.

### Termination from Veteran's Treatment Court

Warrants, new arrests, or a violation of any aspect of the Veteran's Treatment Court service plan rules and regulations, may result in termination from the Veteran's Treatment Court Program. Specific violations which could result in termination include the following:

- Lack of progress due to failure to cooperate with treatment recommendations from the treatment team or treatment provider.
- Violence or threat of violence directed to the treatment team.
- Missed and/or positive drug tests or tampering with a drug test.
- Absconding from residence / treatment facility.

Participants terminated from Veteran's Treatment Court shall be returned to Court for sentencing on the original charge(s). Sentencing shall be within the sole discretion of the Sentencing Judge, limited only the maximum penalty allowed by law.

### Reconsideration Policy

Fayette County Veteran's Treatment Court will consider all appropriate referrals on a case-by-case basis. During the consideration process, a myriad of factors are considered. Major emphasis is placed upon the offense as charged, nature of the offense, prior record and likelihood of success.

If a relevant party to the offender's case (attorney, judge, treatment provider, etc.) feels the Veteran's Treatment Court Team failed to consider a particularly important factor the Veteran's Treatment Court Treatment Coordinator may be contacted and asked to reconsider the application. Once the request for reconsideration has been made, the Veteran's Treatment Court coordinator will forward the information to the District Attorney's Office. The decision by the District Attorney and the Veteran's Treatment Court Treatment Team will be final.

### Program Length

The expected length of participation in the Veteran's Treatment Court Program is 12-18 months. However, this will depend on the participant's ability to remain drug-free, comply with recommendations, and achieve goals. Some participants will complete the program in 12 months,

while others will exceed 18 months. The Treatment Team reserves the right to review anyone's case that exceeds 24 months and decide if the participant remains appropriate for the program.

### Important Numbers

Treatment Court Coordinator (Kate Vozar)	(724) 430-1251
Veterans Affairs Justice Outreach Specialist (Keather Likins)	(412) 822-1409
Veterans Mentor	(724) 430-1256
Fayette County Adult Probation (Maggie Epley)	(724) 430-1251
District Attorney (Richard Bower)	(724) 430-1245
Fayette County Prison (Brian Miller)	(724) 430-1222
Administrative Office of Fayette County Courts (Karen Kuhn)	(724) 430-1230
Public Defender (Jeff Whiteko)	(724) 430-1220
Crime Victims' Center	(724) 438-1470

## Assessments and Treatment

In order for a Veteran's Treatment Court Applicant to be deemed eligible for the program they or their representation must present a Psychiatric Assessment completed by a licensed Mental Health Professional. The assessment must have been completed in the last 2 years and contain an eligible Axis I major mental health diagnosis as defined by the DSM IV-TR. These include:

- Schizophrenia
- Major Mood Disorder (Bipolar Disorder, Major Depressive Disorder)
- Psychotic Disorder (Schizoaffective Disorder)
- Borderline Personality Disorder

In the event the applicant has received conflicting diagnosis from two licensed Mental Health Professionals the Veteran's Treatment Court Coordinator will designate a third party licensed Mental Health Professional to determine diagnosis.

If the individual is accepted into the Veteran's Treatment Court Program they are referred to a mental health agency for the appropriate services. This may include psychiatry, individual therapy, group therapy, intensive outpatient programs, mobile nursing, peer support services, social rehabilitation, and case management services.

Progress is monitored by the Veteran's Treatment Court probation officer and Veteran's Treatment Court Coordinator and discussed at monthly Treatment Team meetings.

## Prison Services

In the event that a Veteran's Treatment Court participant is incarcerated they are eligible to receive all available services in the prison. These include psychiatric assessments, medication management, and mental health therapy. If an individual appears to be symptomatic of their mental health disorder and prison services are not successful at stabilization an outside party may complete a psychiatric evaluation in the prison via Court Order to determine level of care and treatment recommendations.

**\*Please Note: The same process will be utilized to address any requests for inpatient drug and alcohol or mental health treatment. Level of Care and need must be determined by a licensed mental health or drug and alcohol professional.**

### Veteran's Treatment Court Hearings

Depending on what the phase of the program the participant is in the individual must attend a monthly or bimonthly reinforcement hearing. At this time the Judge will address each participant individually asking them questions related to their recovery and treatment. For those who have not been compliant the Judge will address the issues within the hearing in the presence of the Veteran's Treatment Court Probation Officer and Veteran's Treatment Court Coordinator. Failure to appear to the scheduled hearings may result in a bench warrant and detention in jail until appearance before the Veteran's Treatment Court Judge can be arranged.

## Medication Policy

Participants in the Veteran's Treatment Court Program may be prescribed medications during their involvement as part of their treatment plans issued by their approved mental health treatment provider. While these medications may be necessary and beneficial it is important that the potential for substance abuse is taken into consideration. Medication necessity will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis however the following policies will typically apply:

- Participants must provide copies of all prescriptions to their probation officer and the Veteran's Treatment Court Coordinator.
- Participants may be limited or prohibited from taking narcotic-based or addictive medications.
- Participants may be limited or prohibited from taking certain over-the-counter medications.
- The use of non-prescribed or illegally obtained medications or controlled substances (as defined the Controlled Substance, Drug, Device, and Cosmetic Act), or any use of medications in violation of Veteran's Treatment Court Policy may result in sanctions or removal/termination from the Veteran's Treatment Court Program.

## Prohibited Medications

\*The following list is only the majority of medications not allowed in Veteran's Treatment Court.

Please consult your probation officer before taking any medications.

Alprazolam	D-Tran	Klonopin
Alurate	Dalmane	Loracet
Alzapam	Darvon	Libritabs
Ambien	Carvocet	Libruim
Amobarbital	Demeral	Loraz
Amytal	Desoxyn	Lorazepam
Anafranil	Dexedrine	Lotusatee
Apo-Oxazepam	Diazepam	Loxitane
Aprbarbital	Diazepam Intensol	Luminal
Aquachloral supprettes	Dilaudid	Medililum
Ativan	Diphenhydramine	Mellaril
Atzapam	Dolophine Doral	Meperidine
Barbia	Doriden	Methadone
Benadryl	E-Pam	Methaqaallone
Biphetamine	Fluphenazine	Methidate
Brevital	Flurazepam	Methohexital
Butabarbital	Fluazepam-Dalmane	Methylphenidate
Butisol	Glutethimide	Meval
Centrax	Halazepam	Midazolam
Chloral Hydrate	Halcion	Mitran
Chloridazepoxide	Haldol	Moban
Chlorpromantyl	Haloperidol	Morphine
Chlorpromazine	Hydrocodone	Navane
Clomipramine	Hydromorphone	Nembutral
Clonazepoam	Hydroxyzine	Noctec
Clozaril	Intensol	Nova-Rectal
Codeine		Novochlorhydrate

Novodipam  
Novoflurazine  
Novolorazem  
Novopoxide  
Novoridazine  
Novoxapam  
Ormazine  
Ox-Pam  
Oxazepam

Propoxyphene  
Quazepam  
Responsans  
Restoril  
Roxicodone  
Secobarbital  
Secogen  
Seconal  
Secretin-Ferring

Terfluzine  
Thiopental  
Thioridazane  
Thorazine  
Tramadol  
Tranxene  
Triazolam  
Trifluoperazine  
Triflurin

Oxycodone	Serax	Trilafon
Oxycotin	Serentil	Tylox
Paxipam	Skelaxin	Ultram
Pemoline	Solazine	Valium
Pentazcine	Solfoton	Valrelease
Pentobarbital	Solium	Vazepam
Pentogen	Soma	Vicodin
Pentothal	Somnal	Vistaril
Percocet	Stadol	Vivol
Percodan	Stelazine	Xanax
Permitil	Stress-Pam	Zapax
Perphenazine	Suboxone	Zepex
Pethidine	Supeudol	Zetian
Phenazine	Suprazine	Zetran
Phenobarbital	Talbutal	
Prazepam	Talwin	
Prolixin	Temazepam	

## Chemical Testing

All participants are required to submit to random drug and alcohol screenings. Testing will be done at the Adult Probation Office by the designated Veteran's Treatment Court Probation Officer. Testing may occur during a regular check-in or a participant may be contacted and asked to appear for testing. All positive drug screens will be addressed during the participant's next reinforcement hearing which may result in a sanction by the Presiding Judge.

Phase I (3-6 months)

PARTICIPANT \_\_\_\_\_ ENTRY DATE \_\_\_\_\_

Requirements

Completed

- Report for intake \_\_\_\_\_
- Attend Veteran's Treatment Court bi-monthly \_\_\_\_\_
- Meet with probation officer bi-monthly \_\_\_\_\_
- Meet with Veteran's Treatment Court Coordinator weekly \_\_\_\_\_
- Adhere to approved supervision \_\_\_\_\_
- Attend all scheduled treatment appointments \_\_\_\_\_
- Obtain stable housing \_\_\_\_\_
- Take all medication as prescribed \_\_\_\_\_
- Complete physical health exam (if necessary) \_\_\_\_\_
- Attend approved drug and alcohol treatment if recommended \_\_\_\_\_
- Comply with drug and alcohol testing \_\_\_\_\_
- Remain drug free \_\_\_\_\_
- Pay on all fines \_\_\_\_\_

Participant: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Veteran's Treatment Court Coordinator: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Phase II (3-6 months)

PARTICIPANT \_\_\_\_\_ ENTRYDATE \_\_\_\_\_

<u>Requirements</u>	<u>Completed</u>
• Attend Veteran's Treatment Court monthly	_____
• Meet with probation officer monthly	_____
• Meet with Veteran's Treatment Court Coordinator bi-monthly	_____
• Adhere to approved supervision	_____
• Continue to attend all scheduled treatment appointments	_____
• Maintain stable housing	_____
• Continue to take all medication as prescribed	_____
• Continue drug and alcohol treatment (if recommended)	_____
• Comply with drug and alcohol testing	_____
• Remain drug free	_____
• Continue to pay on all fines	_____

Participant: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Veteran's Treatment Court Coordinator: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Phase III (3-6 months)

PARTICIPANT \_\_\_\_\_ ENTRYDATE \_\_\_\_\_

<u>Requirements</u>	<u>Completed</u>
• Attend Veteran's Treatment Court monthly	_____
• Meet with probation officer monthly	_____
• Adhere to supervision	_____
• Continue all treatment appointments	_____
• Maintain stable housing	_____
• Continue to take all medication as prescribed	_____
• Continue drug and alcohol treatment (if recommended)	_____
• Comply with drug and alcohol testing	_____
• Remain drug free	_____
• Continue to pay on all fines	_____
• Identify and complete a graduation project	_____

Participant: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Veteran's Treatment Court Coordinator: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Problem-Solving Court Application**

Mental Health Court / Veteran's Court  
Kate Vozar, LPC, Problem-Solving Courts Manager  
61. East Main Street  
Uniontown, Pa 15401  
Phone - (724) 430-4845 Fax - (724) 430-1001

Date of Application: \_\_\_\_\_ Housing Needs? Yes No  
Defendant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_  
Gender: M F Race: \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Criminal Charge(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
Case #(s) \_\_\_\_\_  
Trial Status: Preliminary Hearing Formal Arraignment Pre-trial Conference Trial Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Is client currently receiving treatment? Y N If yes, where: \_\_\_\_\_  
Alleged Mental Health Diagnosis: \_\_\_\_\_  
Drug and Alcohol Use: Y N  
Referral Source: \_\_\_\_\_ Referral Source Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Branch of Service (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_ Length of Service: \_\_\_\_\_  
Type of Discharge: \_\_\_\_\_  
History of VA services: \_\_\_\_\_

I wish to be considered or to refer the above individual for the Fayette County Problem-Solving Court Program. The following must be attached: **Criminal or MDJ Docket, Criminal Complaint, Affidavit of Probable Cause.**  
Applicants Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
Or  
Referral Source Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

## Informant Policy

Participants of the Fayette County Veteran's Treatment Court are prohibited from working as a confidential informant (CI) for any law enforcement agency. Agreeing to participate as a CI will deem the individual ineligible to participate in Veteran's Treatment Court.

SERVICE PLAN FOR \_\_\_\_\_

D.O.B.: \_\_\_\_\_

SS#: \_\_\_\_\_

I, \_\_\_\_\_, agree to the following service plan as a condition of my release from prison as well as a Veteran's Court participant. I will abide by these stipulations throughout the course of my bond/parole/probation. I understand that non-compliance with this service plan may result in further legal action to include incarceration. I fully agree to the following stipulations:

1. I will reside at \_\_\_\_\_, I agree to live at a residential program (in the VA) if my treatment team deems it to be appropriate. If I move I will notify my probation officer, Veterans Justice Outreach office, and the court.
2. I will cooperate with Mental Health & Drug and Alcohol Treatment to include, but not limited to participation in Partial Hospital/Intensive Out-Patient, Individual therapy, vocational rehabilitation and inpatient treatment as necessary; the frequency and duration of attendance in these programs will be determined by the involved treatment team.
3. I agree to refrain from any use of illegal substances and/or alcohol and to submit to urine drug screening at the discretion of the psychiatric treatment staff, Case Manager, or my Probation/Parole Officer.
4. I agree to take all medication currently prescribed for me by my psychiatrist and any medication that may be prescribed for me by a psychiatrist during my entire course of treatment. This includes any medication that may be prescribed for me during my entire course of treatment.
5. I will cooperate with Targeted Case Management services.
6. I will cooperate with representative payee services if deemed necessary.
7. I will attend 12 step groups and obtain a sponsor in the community if recommended by treatment team.
8. I will meet with my Probation Officer as specified by the Adult Probation office.
9. I will have no direct or indirect contact with the victim(s), his/her personal belongings, his/her family, and I will not have anyone else contact the victim(s) on my behalf.
10. I will make every effort to obtain and maintain competitive employment in the community.
11. I will attend all reinforcement hearings scheduled by the Fayette County Treatment Court treatment team.

12. I will attend all scheduled / required meetings with the Fayette County Treatment Court Coordinator.

13. I agree to comply with all rules and regulations of the Fayette County Veteran’s Court Manual.

I UNDERSTAND THAT FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THESE CONDITIONS WILL BE REPORTED TO THE COURTS AND/OR PROBATION/PAROLE OFFICE AND MAY RESULT IN REINCARCERATION.

\_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Client

\_\_\_\_\_

Date

\_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Defense Attorney

\_\_\_\_\_

Date

\_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Veteran’s Treatment Court Representative

\_\_\_\_\_

Date

\_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Presiding Judge

\_\_\_\_\_

Date

**FAYETTE COUNTY VETERAN'S TREATMENT COURT**  
**Kate Vozar, MS, LPC**  
**Fayette County Courthouse**  
**61 E. Main Street Suite Uniontown, PA 15401**  
**Ph: 724-430-4845**  
**Fx: 724-430-1001**

Request for Reconsideration Form

**Offender Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DOB:** \_\_\_\_\_

**OTN/Case Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Type of Crime (circle):** **Felony Crime of Violence** **Felony Drug DUI**  
**Non-Violent Felony Violent Misdemeanor Non-Violent Misdemeanor**

**Charges as Filed:** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Person Requesting Reconsideration (Include relationship to the offender):**  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Please Include Supportive Reasoning for Reconsideration (Supportive reasoning is defined as mitigating circumstances pertaining to the crime, psychiatric/psychological reports that may not have been available for the initial consideration, a diagnosis established after initial rejection, past records of treatment previously unavailable, etc.):** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Please attach all supportive documentation that is believed not to have originally been considered. Forward to the Veteran's Treatment Court Coordinator.**