



**TRI-COUNTY**  
MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

*We offer hope.*

# **DRUG COURT**

The **Maine Drug Court** system is designed to reduce substance abuse by offenders and to promote participant rehabilitation. Drug court participants agree to a contract with the court and adhere to expectations including:

- **daily phone call check-ins,**
- **weekly case management meetings,**
- **probation meetings, random drug testing,**
- **DSAT (Differential Substance Abuse Treatment)- an evidence-based practice,**
- **weekly court sessions with a judge,**
- **and other conditions as agreed upon.**

Participants are rewarded for adhering to expectations and are sanctioned accordingly for violating them. The stages of Maine Drug Court include:

- I. Motivational Phase– 6 Weeks
- II. Intensive Phase– 13 Weeks
- III. Maintenance Phase– 12 Weeks
- IV. Aftercare

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## **Benefits of Drug Court-**

- Rehabilitation services such as Drug Court are less expensive and more effective than time in correctional facilities [John D. & Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation].
- Drug Court completion lessens the chance for future arrests and continued drug use.
- Drug Court holds individuals responsible for coping with and recovering from substance addiction.
- Drug Court offers offenders the chance for recovery before being forced to do jail time.

*“This program saved my life. I am responsible today and very, very happy. Thank you for the chance to change my life.”* -Anonymous Drug Court graduate

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