



Mission Statement

The goal of the Augusta Judicial Circuit Adult Felony Drug Court Program is to advance public safety, reduce crime, reduce costs to our community, and improve individual and community health by providing intensive, integrated, evidence-based court supervision and comprehensive treatment services for drug dependent offenders.

AJC Adult Felony Drug Court Staff



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If you would like to be considered as a candidate to participate in the Augusta Judicial Circuit Adult Felony Drug Court program, complete the information below and return to:

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Augusta Judicial Circuit Adult Felony Drug Court Program

The goal of the Augusta Judicial Circuit Adult Felony Drug Court Program is to reduce or stop 1) the abuse of drugs/alcohol and 2) criminal activity related to the abuse of these substances. The Adult Felony Drug Court Program is a minimum two-year [maximum 3 years], five phase, and intensive outpatient substance abuse treatment program offered to individuals whose criminal justice involvement stems primarily from drug and alcohol abuse.



All legal questions/advice are to be directed to your attorney. This brochure is designed to outline the AJCDC program ONLY and is not intended to be regarded as legal advice.

WHAT IS DRUG COURT?

The Augusta Judicial Circuit Adult Felony Drug Court Program operates under the directive of the National Association of Drug Court Professionals' Drug Court Standards Committee and the Council of Accountability Court Judges of Georgia's Ten Key Components of Drug Court Programs. Rules are well defined and easy to understand. Adherence to the Augusta Judicial Circuit Adult Felony Drug Court Program rules is within the individual's ability to control and comply. Success or failure is based on the participant's performance. The participant's performance is communicated directly to the Judge, who rewards progress or penalizes poor performance and noncompliance. Participants are encouraged to take control of their own recovery.

DRUG COURT OVERVIEW

Participants in the Augusta Judicial Circuit Adult Felony Drug Court Program are individuals who have committed non-violent drug related crimes and have no history of drug distribution offenses. Participants can complete the program in a minimum of 24 months (12 months of continuous sobriety is required in order to graduate from the program and a participant cannot exceed 36 months). Participants are required to attend outpatient treatment sessions as directed, AA/NA meetings as directed by the Court, weekly court sessions, submit to random/frequent alcohol/drug testing, maintain full time employment or attend school full time, maintain regular Drug Court fee payments, and complete community service or work detail, as directed by the court.

REQUESTS FOR ENTRY

Referrals

By counsel (i.e., the Assistant District Attorney, Defense Attorney, Private Attorney or Public Defender).

Eligibility Criteria Include

Defendants who are convicted of, but not limited to:

- Attempted possession or possession of a controlled substance;
- 1st/2nd degree forgery (low monetary amounts), deposit account fraud, theft, financial transaction theft or fraud.

Excluding Factors Include

- Violent felony offense(s) & history; and
- Offenses committed in a different jurisdiction.

Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	Phase 4	Phase 5
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Individual Treatment Session • 3-1 ½ Hour Group Sessions per week • Urine Drug Screens • Community Service • Court Sessions <p>Curfew 9 pm – 5 am UNLESS not Employed – 6 pm – 5 am</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Individual Treatment Session • 3-1 ½ Hour Group Sessions per week • Urine Drug Screens • Community Sponsored Sobriety Recovery Meetings • School Attendance, employment or Work Searches • Court Sessions <p>Curfew 9 pm – 5 am UNLESS not Employed – 6 pm – 5 am</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Individual Treatment Session • 2-1 ½ Hour Group Sessions per week • Urine Drug Screens • Community Sponsored Sobriety Recovery Meetings • School Attendance, employment or Work Searches • Court Sessions <p>Curfew 9 pm – 5 am UNLESS not Employed – 6 pm – 5 am</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Individual Treatment Session bi-weekly • 1 ½ Hour Group Sessions bi-weekly • Urine Drug Screens • Community Sponsored Sobriety Recovery Meetings • School Attendance, employment or Work Searches • Court Sessions bi-weekly <p>Curfew 10 pm – 5 am UNLESS not Employed – 6 pm – 5 am</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Individual Treatment Session monthly • 1 ½ Hour Group Sessions monthly • Urine Drug Screens • Community Sponsored Sobriety Recovery Meetings • School Attendance, employment or Work Searches • Court Sessions monthly <p>Curfew 10 pm – 5 am UNLESS not Employed – 6 pm – 5 am</p>