

SAN DIEGO COLLABORATIVE COURTS

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DEFINING COLLABORATIVE COURTS SAN DIEGO





- Also referred to as "Diversion Courts"
- Team Approach:
 - Judges
 - District Attorney
 - Public Defender
 - City Attorney
 - Sheriff and Law Enforcement (Police Dept.)
 - Probation
 - Treatment provider
- Utilizes both support and law enforcement leverage to encourage recovery and reduce recidivism.
- Approximately 18 months in duration. Phased system of treatment. Sanctions and rewards are utilized.
- Generally includes lower-risk, non-violent participants.

PURPOSE OF DIVERSION COURTS





- To improve lives impacted by substance abuse and/or mental illness and to increase public-safety by reducing the crime associated with these challenges.
- Reduce high incidence of recidivism (re-incarceration).
- Link justice-involved people with the treatment, resources and support they need.

PROGRAM ELEMENTS



- "Phased" Treatment
- Utilizes rewards and sanctions
- Regular contact with Judge and Team
- Group/Individual Counseling, Case Management and Drug Testing
- Education, Job and Health referrals

VARIETIES OF DIVERSION COURTS IN SAN DIEGO COUNTY



- Drug Courts
- Re-Entry Court
- Behavioral Health Court
- Mandatory Supervision Court
- Veterans Treatment Court
- Homeless Court



- FY 16-17 Drug Court Outcomes:
 - 98% of clients that have completed treatment are employed or initiated employment preparation
 - All babies born to program clients were drug-free
 - 100% of clients that have completed treatment have no new criminal activity resulting in a conviction

OTHER DIVERSION PROGRAMS



- Community Justice Initiative
- San Diego Misdemeanants At Risk (SMART)
- **PC** 1000

QUESTIONS



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