

Treatment Oversight Committee Meeting
05/02/2023 Minutes

In-person Appearances – Judge Patricia Baker, Taylor Soule, Zach Bishop, Jamie Kiener, Josh Ostrowski, Andrea Starr, Kasie Borchardt, John Pavelski, Destiny Lloyd

Virtual Appearances - None

Judge Baker called the meeting to order at 2:31 p.m. in Branch III Courtroom

1. Approval of the Minutes from November 8, 2022, Meeting

Baker asked for comments or edits related to the 11/08/2022 minutes and hearing none, declared the minutes approved by consensus.

2. Treatment Court Stats for 2022 and 2023

Starr provided the following Treatment Court (TC) stats for 2022:

- Graduated: 4
- Terminated: 7
- Ineligible: 16
 - Violent Offense: 9
 - Lower Risk: 5
 - Not a Portage County resident: 1
 - Prior/Current Manufacturing/Delivery: 1
- Declined Participation: 4
- Administrative Discharge: 1

Starr provided the following Treatment Court stats from 01/01/2023 – 05/02/2023:

- Graduated: 1
- Current: 11
- Pending Termination: 1
- Pending Admission: 3
- Ineligible: 3
 - Prior Violent Offense: 1
 - Was eligible but sentencing Judge did not order: 1
 - Not a Portage County Resident: 1

Captain Ostrowski asked about long-term statistics on graduates. Starr indicated that a formula does exist on determining post-graduation/termination recidivism; however, the professor that agreed to work on that study has backed out.

3. Change in Sheriff's Department Representative:

Judge Baker stated that Travis Morgan has replaced Nick Greisbach as the Sheriff's Department representative.

4. Change in Treatment Court Curriculum:

Starr indicated that Traci Kozickowski will start facilitating treatment groups on May 29, 2023. Traci has asked to change the curriculum from MRT to the Matrix Model. Information on the Matrix Model was provided in the agenda packet. No objections were made about the change.

5. Peer Support Specialist Addition to Treatment Team:

Starr indicated that Rebecca Haddon will be starting as the .3 LTE Certified Peer Support Specialist contracted through JusticePoint. Participants will be required to have contact with Rebecca in every phase, but the frequency will be different for each participant. Contact with Rebecca will not replace getting a sponsor.

6. Change in Incentive Policy:

Starr informed the committee on the changes to the incentive policy required by the federal government and has been passed down through the TAD grant. Program income spent on incentives must be spent and given to the participants within the same calendar year.

7. Explanation Differentiating Sanctions & Therapeutic Adjustments

One of the recommendations of the site visit conducted last year was that the Policy and Procedure Manual and the Participant Handbook differentiate the difference between sanctions and therapeutic adjustments. The committee was shown the changes made and there was no objection.

8. Explanation of Judges Authority Over Termination Process

One of the recommendations of the site visit conducted last year was that the Policy and Procedure Manual and the Participant Handbook explain the Judges authority over the termination process. The committee was shown the additional language of the termination process and there was no objection.

9. Explanation of Confidentiality in Participant Handbook

One of the recommendations of the site visit conducted last year was that the Participant Handbook include an explanation of confidentiality. The committee was shown the additional language of confidentiality and there was no objection.

10. Update to Sweat Patch Protocol for Phase 5 Participants

Starr indicated that now sweat patches have been used with several different participants, it has been determined that some changes need to be made with the protocol. Changes include having the participants calling the test line every day to determine when they will be testing twice monthly and having the sweat patch sent in for testing the day they are removed or the next business day depending on the day of removal. The committee approved the changes.

11. Future Considerations:

None.

10. Adjourn.