

JACKSON COUNTY ADULT TREATMENT COURT
Veterans Treatment Court Track
Information Sheet

The U.S. Department of Veterans' Affairs (VA) reports that there are over 12,000 veterans in Jackson County. While hundreds are still in active service, there is still a need to identify, target and offer support to any veteran that has committed a qualifying offense whether at the District Court (misdemeanor) or Circuit Court (felony) level. The Jackson County Adult Treatment Court Veterans Treatment Court Track is designed to supervise felony and misdemeanor veterans through a comprehensive judicially monitored program of treatment and rehabilitation services.

The mission of the Jackson County Adult Treatment Court Veterans Treatment Court Track is to provide an inter-agency, collaborative, treatment strategy for Veterans in the criminal justice system, who suffer from Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD), Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI), psychological issues, trauma and/or substance abuse problems as a result of having served in the armed forces

Start Date: The Veterans Treatment Court Track commenced operation on January 2, 2014

Location: Jackson County Courthouse 312 S. Jackson, Jackson, MI 49201
Honorable Susan B. Jordan presiding

Days/Times: Veterans Treatment Court Track will be held every other week on Friday afternoons at 1:00p.m

Program Capacity: N/A

Participating Agencies: Jackson County Circuit Court, Jackson County District Court Prosecutors Office, MDOC Probation, VA Healthcare Systems and Department of Mental Health

Treatment Team: Treatment Provider(s), Case Manager, Probation Agent, Mentor

Staff Liaisons: Prosecutor, Defense Counsel, Probation Officer, and representatives from the Veteran's Administration and Department of Mental Health

Eligibility Requirements: United States Military service veterans who: (i) have a criminal case and (ii) qualify for admission under MCL 600.1203

Referral Process: Referrals for participation made by; Judge, Defense Counsel, Prosecutor, Probation Agent, Jail Staff

Admissions Process: Admission will be determined by the Adult Treatment Court team based on eligibility and suitability recommendations from the treatment team and staff liaisons. Primary factors to be considered are the likelihood of success and public safety.

Plea Requirements: Participants must plead guilty. Participants must also be placed on formal probation. Semi-monthly court appearances with Treatment Court Judge will be required.

Treatment Requirements: Participants must agree to a minimum 13-month intensive treatment program (Felonies) or 8-12 months (misdemeanors).

Treatment Components: individual and group counseling, probation, drug and alcohol testing, mental health and SUD treatment, and regular attendance at recovery support/mutual-aid meetings.