

# What is Drug Treatment Court?

The Drug Treatment Court (DTC) system provides and combines intensive treatment with strict supervision, giving individuals with Substance Use Disorder (SUD) the opportunity to pursue SUD treatment and recovery over a lengthy prison sentence.

The New Hampshire Judicial Branch provides oversight to the drug court team that delivers comprehensive services.

## The drug court team is made up of:

- a judge
- prosecuting attorney
- public defender
- probation and parole officer
- local law enforcement
- treatment representative
- a DTC program manager and case manager

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# Grafton County Drug Treatment Court (DTC)



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## Why We Should Work Together

The Drug Treatment Court of Grafton County oversees individuals who are charged with crimes that are generally non-violent in nature. The participants must have a Substance Use Disorder and be accessed as “high risk and high need.”

The participants receive intensive supervision and treatment rather than a lengthy prison term. The program is voluntary and gives the participants the opportunity to live a productive substance-free life.

### Each participant is required to:

- attend weekly meetings and court sessions
- community supervision and home visits
- have designated curfews
- provide random drug testing
- comply with their treatment plan
- achieve and maintain employment
- create a healthy recovery network

## Drug Treatment Court Facts

01

Drug courts are **6** times more likely to keep offenders in treatment long enough for them **to get better**.

02

Drug courts significantly reduce crime as much as **35%** compared to the alternatives.

03

Drug courts save taxpayers considerable money. Studies show that average cost savings per client range from over **\$4,000** to more than **\$12,000**.

04

Drug court's effects on crime can last for years, if not decades. Rigorous experimental studies found that crime reduction persisted for at least **3 years**, with researchers continuing to evaluate the longer-term effects.

## Testimonial from a Grafton County Drug Court Participant

*“I started drinking alcohol as a young teenager and realized that alcohol was the first thing to ever quiet the anxiety and fear that seemed to be my constant companion... ‘it was the glue that held me together’...”*

*“...From the start, I realized that I could look at all of this in one of two ways. I could look at this 18 months (in Drug Treatment Court) as a punishment for all of the “bad” things I have ever done and the drug court team as my watch dog; or I could look at these 18 months as an opportunity to learn how to live life clean and sober, and know that the drug court team is made up of some pretty phenomenal people who want to see me succeed and are willing to help me as much as I am willing to help myself...”*

*“...This is not an easy path, but it is not nearly as difficult as the alternative. This is a vital program, this is a program that not only saves lives, but encourages lives to be lived well.”*