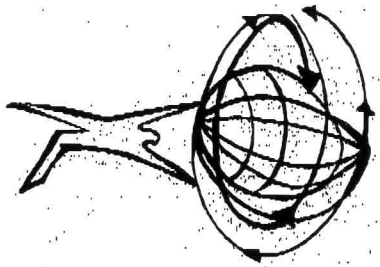
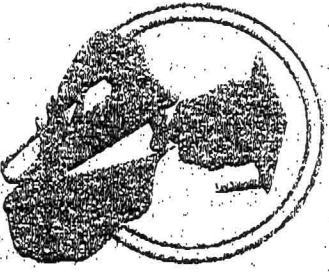


Mission

The ADTC has three goals: (1) to reduce repeated criminal activity among defendants addicted to alcohol and/or other drugs; (2) to give selected clients the opportunity to successfully complete this demanding, year-long, out-patient, rehabilitation program instead of incarceration; (3) to provide clients with the skills and commitment necessary to maintain their recovery after graduation from this program so that they become responsible and productive members of the community.

Achieving these goals will decrease crime and increase community health and safety.



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Hancock County Adult Drug Treatment Court

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“This program has given me the freedom to choose — I have a choice on how I live my life.”

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Purpose

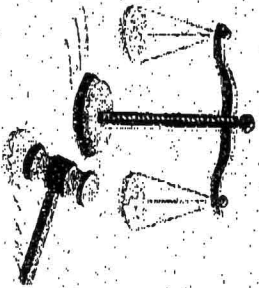
Maine operates Adult Drug Treatment Courts (ADTC) in six counties: Androscoggin, Cumberland, York, Penobscot, Washington, and Hancock counties. Each ADTC is a special, Court-supervised program for selected, non-violent, defendants with significant substance abuse problems. Following a plea agreement, sentencing is deferred and defendants are diverted from incarceration while a multi-disciplinary Team provides strict, continual supervision and oversees demanding, out-patient treatment in the community for at least one year. Thus, the program allows clients to receive treatment while living and working in the community and avoid lengthy prison sentences as long as they comply with the program's strict requirements and guidelines.



Referral and Expectations

Referral to the ADTC Case Manager will be followed by an intake interview and background check to determine if the individual is an appropriate candidate for further assessment. If so, the ADTC Team will refer the applicant to its Treatment Provider for comprehensive clinical assessment of his or her addiction, motivation and treatment needs. If recommended for admission by the Team, a plea agreement will be negotiated by the defense and prosecuting attorneys. Applicants must be prepared to enter a plea of guilty as part of the plea agreement.

If the plea agreement is accepted by the Court, the client will be admitted to the program, and sentencing will be deferred pending the results of the client's participation in the program.



Eligibility

The following is a partial list of eligibility requirements:

- *Moderate or moderately severe substance abuse;
- *Criminal charges likely to result in a significant prison sentence;
- *Hancock County residency;
- *Individuals with a pending charge or prior conviction of sexual assault or most class A violent offenses are ineligible;
- *Other violent offenses will be considered by the Team with heightened scrutiny.

Benefit to the Community

- *Decreased crime and increased public safety;
- *Recovery from drug addiction among former criminal defendants;
- *Increased productivity of former criminal defendants in recovery;
- *Significant decrease in number of expensive prison sentences.