

The Ten Key Components

Key Component 1: Drug Courts integrate alcohol and other drug treatment services with justice system case processing

Key Component 2: Using a non-adversarial approach, prosecution and defense counsel promote public safety while protecting participants' due process rights

Key Component 3: Eligible participants are identified early and promptly placed in the Drug Court program

Key Component 4: Drug Courts provide access to a continuum of alcohol, drug and other related treatment and rehabilitation services

Key Component 5: Abstinence is monitored by frequent alcohol and other drug testing

Key Component 6: A coordinated strategy governs Drug Court responses to participants' compliance

Key Component 7: Ongoing Judicial interaction with each Drug Court participant is essential

Key Component 8: Monitoring and evaluation measure the achievement of program goals and gauge effectiveness

Key Component 9: Continuing interdisciplinary education promotes effective Drug Court planning, implementation, and operations

Key Component 10: Forging partnerships among Drug Courts, public agencies, and community-based organizations generates local support and enhances Drug Court effectiveness