

## **THE PHASES**

### ***Phase I: (90 Days)***

- Report to PO 1x/week
- Random Drug Testing System
- Appear at Drug Court Review Session every 2 weeks.
- Comply with treatment plan.
- Actively participate in AA/NA.

### ***Phase II: (90 Days)***

- Report PO 1 time every other week.
- Random Drug Testing System
- Appear at Drug Court Review Session every 4 weeks.
- Comply with treatment plan.
- Actively participate in AA/NA.

### ***Phase III: (90 Days)***

- Report to PO 1x/month.
- Random Drug Testing System
- Appear at Drug Court Review Session every 6 weeks.
- Phase III Project.
- Actively participate in AA/NA.
- Maintain employment or approved use of time.

### ***Phase IV: (90 Days)***

- Remain under the supervision with the PO deciding the method and number of contacts.
- Random Drug Testing System
- Appear at Drug Court Review Session only if required by the Drug Court Judge.
- Participate in the Drug Court Support Group
- Actively participate in AA/NA.
- Maintain employment or approved use of time.

## **REMEMBER**

- Contact your attorney or the Public Defender's office for advice.
- Contact **Pretrial Services** at **610-344-6886**.
- Complete a substance use evaluation & start treatment

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### **A cooperative effort between:**

- Chester County Courts
- District Attorney's Office  
610-344-6801
- Public Defender's Office  
610-344-6940
- Adult Probation/Parole & Pretrial Services  
610-344-6290
- Department of Drug & Alcohol Services  
610-344-5630

## **CHESTER COUNTY**

# **DRUG COURT PROGRAM**



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Chester County Drug Court

Adult Probation/Parole & Pretrial  
Services  
201 West Market Street, Suite 2100  
West Chester, PA 19380

Application available at:  
[www.chesco.org/da](http://www.chesco.org/da)

## **THE PROGRAM**

The Chester County Drug Court Program supports individuals with substance use problems in breaking the cycle of addiction and the crimes that accompany it, by combining prompt and effective treatment with intensive judicial supervision.

The Drug Court Program is a pre-trial disposition program that provides eligible offenders the opportunity to receive drug treatment and upon successful completion of the program, dismissal of their charges.

The Drug Court Program has four phases. Some of the minimum requirements of those phases are listed in this brochure. You will come to Court regularly for reviews with the Judge. To move to each new phase you must be in compliance with the requirements of Drug Court and must remain clean for a period of 90 days. Expect to participate in the program for a minimum of twelve months. The length of time in the program will depend upon how well you progress.

The Drug Court Judge awards incentives for compliant behavior and imposes sanctions for negative behavior.



The Drug Court program is very demanding, but there can be a major change in your life. You can avoid having a criminal record and you can avoid serving a prison sentence.

### **TO QUALIFY**

1. You must currently be charged with a drug offense, a nonviolent offense, or a first offense DUI. A first offense DUI will also need to apply for ARD.
2. You must have a substance use problem.
3. You may have a prior criminal record, but may not have a record for a crime of violence.
4. You cannot currently be under probation or parole supervision.
5. You must agree to waive your preliminary hearing & your right to a speedy trial.
6. You must follow the instructions of the Pretrial Officer which includes scheduling a drug & alcohol evaluation and following all treatment recommendations

## **ACT QUICKLY**

- ➔ **Submit an application to the District Attorney's Office.**
- ➔ **Contact Pretrial Services at 610-344-6886 to schedule an evaluation.**
- ➔ **You will have a drug & alcohol evaluation within 3 business days of your referral**
- ➔ **Contact your attorney or the Public Defender's Office (610-344-6940) to discuss your participation in the program.**

*Prior to your admission into Drug Court, you must begin and fully participate in treatment recommended at your evaluation.*