



Centre County District Attorney's Veteran's Treatment Track Initiative (VTTI)

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I. OBJECTIVES OF THE PROGRAM

Identify eligible veterans who are involved with the criminal justice system and redirect them from traditional criminal justice pathways to treatment and rehabilitation systems. By connecting these individuals to Veterans Administration and/or community-based treatment services, it is the goal of the program to ensure veterans receive the resources and treatment they need as they transition back to civilian life.

II. CRITERIA

- A. Veteran of the United States Armed Forces
- B. Initial screening and case approval by the Centre County District Attorney's Office;
- C. Non-violent criminal offenses;
- D. Meets one of the following clinical criteria:
 - a. TBI (Traumatic Brain Injury),
 - b. MST (Military Sexual Trauma),
 - c. Drug/Alcohol Addiction,
 - d. A DSM-V diagnosis.
- E. Amenable to treatment;
- F. Willing to execute releases with treatment providers for Centre County Probation & Parole and Centre County Mental Health / Intellectual Disabilities / Early Intervention (for mental health-related cases when appropriate), or Veterans Administration; and
- G. Violent crimes to be evaluated by the District Attorney's Office on a case-by-case basis.

Participant **does not need** to be eligible for VA benefits to be accepted into the Veterans Treatment Track Initiative.

III. STANDARD CONDITIONS OF THE PROGRAM

The following conditions shall be used to determine what supervision and requirements an individual will undergo as part of the Program. These standard conditions will be determined by the District Attorney's Office upon review of the individual's case, supporting materials, and application. Not all individuals applying for, and being accepted to, the Program will have the same conditions.

- A.** Provide proof of one of the listed criteria in Section II (D).
- B.** Provide proof that the individual has applied for and is receiving services through an appropriate agency or treatment provider, depending on what the individual's needs may be. This can be done through Veteran's Administration services, Centre County Mental Health's administrative case management and blended case management programs or through another provider/program.
- C.** Comply with treatment recommendations of the provider, Centre County Mental Health, psychologist and/or psychiatrist in the case of mental health; or a certified provider and/or doctor for other types of needs.
- D.** Execute releases from the treatment provider, authorizing release of information between Centre County Probation and Parole and appropriate Centre County agencies.
- E.** For those individuals receiving services through Centre County Mental Health, comply with all requirements of the administrative case management and blended case management treatment plans.
- F.** Submit to any requested bloodwork and testing to ensure compliance with prescribed medications and prohibitions against non-prescribed drugs.
- G.** No possession or use of non-prescribed drugs or controlled substances.
- H.** (Optional if alcohol is involved in the offense) No possession or use of alcohol during the term of supervision.
- I.** Individuals shall pay any and all restitution at the time of placement or as a condition of supervision, as determined by the Centre County District Attorney's Office.

IV. TRACK 1

ARD OR RULE 586 DISMISSAL AFTER THE COMPLETION OF TREATMENT

CRITERIA AND EXPECTATIONS

- 1) Primarily non-violent criminal offenses.
- 2) Individual has been engaged in treatment and is in compliance with the treatment plan.
- 3) Term of supervision or treatment is sufficient to address mental health and substance use issues raised.
- 4) Expected minimum period of mental health treatment is 6 months.
- 5) Expected ARD supervision is 6 – 12 months depending on the recommended length of treatment.
- 6) Co-occurring conditions - term of supervision sufficient to ensure treatment is 12 – 24 months of treatment.

V. TRACK 2**CRIMES OF A SERIOUS NATURE AND INDIVIDUALS REQUIRING
STRUCTURED SUPERVISION****CRITERIA AND EXPECTATIONS**

- 1) Requires a guilty plea to negotiated charges.
- 2) Individual has been engaged in and in compliance with treatment for a minimum of six months prior to the guilty plea.
- 3) Provide proof that the individual is receiving services through Veteran's Administration Services, a case manager or blended case manager at Centre County Mental Health or other approved treatment provider.
- 4) Individuals must complete the standard terms and conditions of the program as indicated above in Section III.
- 5) Restitution shall be paid at the time of sentencing or pursuant to a payment plan.

VI. RESOURCES

Centre County District Attorney's Office

- ❖ Centre County Courthouse Annex
106 East High Street, Room 302
Bellefonte, PA 16823
- ❖ **814-355-6735**

<https://centrecountypa.gov/366/District-Attorney>

Centre County Veterans' Affairs

- ❖ Willowbank Office Building
420 Holmes Street (Room 333)
Bellefonte, PA 16823
- ❖ **814-355-6812**

<https://centrecountypa.gov/351/Veterans-Affairs>

Center for Community Resources (CCR)

- ❖ 2100 East College Avenue, Suite A
State College, PA 16801

Crisis Intervention Services: **1-800-643-5432**
(walk-in / in-person, phone, mobile)

Mount Nittany Medical Center (MNMCI)

- ❖ **Emergency Department**
 - 1800 East Park Avenue
State college, PA 16803

Emergency Department Psychiatric Case Management: **814- 234-6734**

Main Hospital Line: **814-231-7000**

Mental Health Resource Book:

Hard Copy or <https://centrecountypa.gov/DocumentCenter/View/2100>

Centre County Case Management Services

Strawberry Fields, Inc:

- ❖ 3054 Enterprise Dr, State College, PA 16801
- ❖ **814-234-6023**

Centre County Mental Health:

- ❖ 3500 E College Ave #1200, State College, PA 16801
- ❖ **814-355-6786**