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Marion County Drug Court  
Juvenile Dependency Drug Court  
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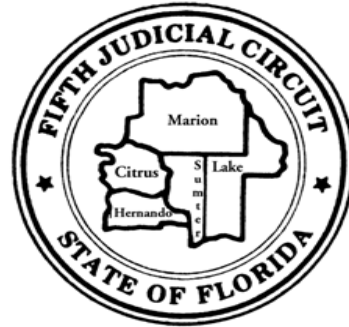
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# MARION COUNTY

## JUVENILE DEPENDENCY DRUG COURT PROGRAM



**THE HONORABLE  
STACEY M. YOUMANS**

**Circuit Judge**

**GENERAL  
MAGISTRATE  
JOSHUA SOILEAU**

**Dependency Drug Court  
Magistrate**

## Marion County Dependency Drug Court

Marion County Dependency Drug Court's main goal is to get you reunited with your children. Every person working with you - your attorney, case manager, and even the magistrate/judge wants you to reunify with your children in a safe and healthy environment. To do this, the team members will work together to get you connected with the services and resources you need to give your children a safe home. This program is a partnership between the Courts, the Department of Children and Families, Guardian Ad Litem Program, Kids Central. Inc., defense attorneys, and other social service programs.

### Eligibility

Because there was an indication of drug involvement in the removal affidavit, drug problems were identified by a case manager in your assessment, it may be in the best interest of you, your child(ren), and the State of Florida that you participate in the Dependency Drug Court Program.

The Program's Participation Agreement outlines additional details and is available for your review.

The Program utilizes a 4-phase plan. The drug court staff is committed to support & assist you throughout your reunification plan by connecting you with a treatment and resources available within the community. Our team monitors your participation and movement through Phases.

Participants in the Program are encouraged to be accountable and can expect to receive incentives to acknowledge success/progress and therapeutic consequences (sanctions) to address areas that need improvement.

## Preserving Families and securing futures



## Incentives &

### Therapeutic Consequences (Sanctions)

#### Incentives may include but not be limited to:

- Decreased court appearances;
- Increased visitation/time sharing;
- Drug Court Team recognition;
- Phase Movement;
- Entry into gift drawings

#### Sanctions may include but not be limited to:

- Increased court appearances;
- Increased drug screens
- Increased attendance at treatment meetings;
- Self-improvement/writing assignments

Some of the topics that are covered in treatment include:

*Anger Management*

*Parenting*

*Healthy Relationships*

*Life Skills*

*Trauma*

*Co-occurring disorders*

## Phase I –III

### (Minimum of 24 weeks)

1. Court appearances as determined by the court.
2. A weekly minimum of two hours of substance abuse counseling or as recommended by treatment provider.
3. Frequent and Random drug screens.
4. A minimum of three peer support group meetings per week or as recommended by treatment provider/peer coach.
5. Comply with any additional treatment as recommended by the treatment provider/team.
6. Attend regular case management appointments as directed by the drug court staff.
7. Work on completing conditions of case plan.

Treatment is offered through a local treatment provider. Funding may be available to assist with cost (please speak with the coordinator to learn more)

## Phase IV

### (Minimum of 4 weeks)

1. Court appearances as determined by the court.
2. A weekly minimum of two hours of substance abuse counseling or as recommended by treatment provider.
3. Frequent and Random drug screens.
4. A minimum of three peer support group meetings per week or as recommended by treatment provider / peer coach.
5. Comply with any additional treatment as recommended by the treatment provider/team.
6. Attend regular case management appointments as directed by the drug court staff.
7. Work on completing conditions of case plan.
8. Parent must maintain a sponsor.
9. Strengthening parent's recovery tools.
10. Develop a Relapse Prevention Plan and Aftercare Plan.

## GRADUATION

Upon successful completion of all required Phases, there will be a graduation for the client that will include the Judge or General Magistrate, your counselor, case worker and other members of the Drug Court Team.

