

To participate in adult drug court you must:

- Be a Dakota County resident or live in close proximity to allow for supervision.
- Be charged with a controlled substance crime
- Be diagnosed as substance dependent
- Be a serious and repeat drug offender
- Plead guilty to your offense
- Meet additional assessment criteria*

*Other factors such as having other felony convictions on your record will also be used to determine eligibility for adult drug court. Ask the adult drug court PO or your attorney whether there is anything that may prevent your participation in the program. Admission into the program is dependent upon review and acceptance by the drug court team.

Length of adult drug court:

Adult drug court takes on average 1+ years to complete, but length may vary depending upon your progress in the program.

Transportation to adult drug court:

Participants are responsible for their own transportation to treatment programs, meetings and adult drug court in Hastings. The adult drug court PO or your attorney may be able to provide a list of transportation resources.

Additional information or program details:

Adult Drug Court Coordinator
Suzanne Kruger
952-891-7204

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Become drug and alcohol free:

Get treatment to help you live sober.

Live crime free:

Use local resources to help you remain law abiding.

Minimize jail time:

Commit to treatment and reduce the time you spend in jail.

Dakota County adult drug court is a voluntary program that helps serious and repeat drug offenders get the treatment they need to overcome addiction and live drug and crime free. The intensive program brings together chemical dependency and mental health specialists with professionals from the courts, social services and community corrections to treat addiction and mental health issues along with the criminal behavior.

To apply for adult drug court you must:

After your initial court appearance, if you have **any** interest in entering drug court, you have **seven** days to contact the Adult Drug Court Coordinator, Suzanne Kruger, 952-891-7204. Contact Dakota County social services chemical health unit at 651-554-6000 within three days of your first court appearance to see if you qualify for a Rule 25 evaluation. If you qualify, you must set up an evaluation within one week of qualification. If you do not qualify, you must complete an evaluation with a licensed provider within 10 days of your first court appearance. If you have been appointed a public defender, please contact the public defender's office at 651-480-0122 before your next court date.

To graduate from adult drug court you must:

- Complete a chemical dependency treatment program, aftercare and all recommendations
- Provide random urine screens
- Participate in a 25-session cognitive thinking skills group
- Remain law abiding
- Attend adult drug court meetings
- Attend regularly scheduled court appearances
- Attend scheduled meetings with your PO

In Dakota County the following places can provide an evaluation:

African American Wellness Institute 651-332-5500
Avalon, Egan1-877-367-1715
Create, Apple Valley & Minneapolis 612-874-9811
Fairview Recovery Services, Burnsville... 612-672-2736
Faith Family Recovery Ctr., Hastings 651-437-1628

Haven, Shakopee 952-496-3366
Nystrom & Assoc., Apple Valley 952-997-3020
Regions Hospital, St. Paul 651-254-4804
River Ridge, Burnsville 952-894-7722