ADDENDUM TO ADMINISTRATIVE PLAN

TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

DREW COUNTY JUVENILE DRUG COURT JUDGE TERESA FRENCH, PRESIDING

A. Type of Program and Description of Operations

The Drew County Juvenile Drug Court will begin operation in January 2025 as a post-adjudication program serving medium to high-risk youth between the ages of 14 and 17, excluding violent offenders and sex offenders. The program is a four-phase drug treatment program designed to be completed in approximately one year, depending on participants' progress. Each participant's treatment needs will be assessed by the coordinator and treatment staff upon referral to the program and repeated throughout the program based on that participant's changing circumstances and compliance with court orders. Intensive supervision will be provided by juvenile probation staff and the juvenile drug court coordinator. The drug court team will meet prior to court to go over what has transpired with the juvenile since the last team meeting and to vote on recommendations concerning incentives or sanctions for the judge to consider. The juvenile drug court coordinator or their designee is responsible for entering data on performance measures for each juvenile drug court participant into the AOC-provided case management system.

Team members have attended training programs offered by the Administrative Office of the Courts and will operate according to nationally recognized, evidence-based best practice standards.

B. Statutory Authority

A.C.A. §16-98-301 et seq. (The Arkansas Drug Court Act)

C. Compliance with Sentencing Laws

The program will conform to all applicable sentencing laws, including fines, fees, court costs and probation assessments.

D. Description of the Program's Use of Court Resources

The Prosecutor, Public Defender, school counselors, treatment professionals, staff from Phoenix Youth & Family Services, and juvenile officers are all part of the juvenile drug court team. A dedicated juvenile drug court coordinator, provided by the AOC, will coordinate treatment and supervision efforts. Team members will participate in staffing meetings and hearings to ensure that all available resources are utilized to effectively meet a juvenile's individualized needs. Treatment will be provided through the Department of Human Services, Behavioral Health Division, through a contract with a local provider.

E. Source of Funding

The program will rely on existing funding provided through team members' respective agencies. Additionally, juvenile participants will pay fees to the court to defray the costs for drug testing kits and other supplies.

BRADLEY COUNTY JUVENILE DRUG COURT JUDGE TERESA FRENCH, PRESIDING

B. Type of Program and Description of Operations

The Bradley County Juvenile Drug Court will begin operation in January 2025 as a post-adjudication program serving medium to high-risk youth between the ages of 14 and 17, excluding violent offenders and sex offenders. The program is a four-phase drug treatment program designed to be completed in approximately one year, depending on participants' progress. Each participant's treatment needs will be assessed by the coordinator and treatment staff upon referral to the program and repeated throughout the program based on that participant's changing circumstances and compliance with court orders. Intensive supervision will be provided by juvenile probation staff and the juvenile drug court coordinator. The drug court team will meet prior to court to go over what has transpired with the juvenile since the last team meeting and to vote on recommendations concerning incentives or sanctions for the judge to consider. The juvenile drug court coordinator or their designee is responsible for entering data on performance measures for each juvenile drug court participant into the AOC-provided case management system.

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The program will conform to all applicable sentencing laws, including fines, fees, court costs and probation assessments.

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The Prosecutor, Public Defender, school counselors, treatment professionals, staff from Phoenix Youth & Family Services, and juvenile officers are all part of the juvenile drug court team. A dedicated juvenile drug court coordinator, provided by the AOC, will coordinate treatment and supervision efforts. Team members will participate in staffing meetings and hearings to ensure that all available resources are utilized to effectively meet a juvenile's individualized needs. Treatment will be provided through the Department of Human Services, Behavioral Health Division, through a contract with a local provider.

E. Source of Funding

The program will rely on existing funding provided through team members' respective agencies. Additionally, juvenile participants will pay fees to the court to defray the costs for drug testing kits and other supplies.

The addendum to the Administrative Plan was adopted by a majority of the circuit judges of the Tenth Judicial Circuit.

Judge Robert Gibson, III

Administrative Circuit Judge

Tenth Judicial Circuit

12/4/2024

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Judge Teresa French

Circuit Judge

Tenth Judicial Circuit

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