

***VETERANS COURT MENTORS
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING***

VETERANS COURT MENTOR PROGRAM MISSION

To ensure that every participating Veteran receives the services they require by helping them navigate the system and to act as a mentor, advocate, and ally.

VETERANS COURT PURPOSE

The Veterans Court is a collaborative, proactive effort between the court system and the veterans' assistance and treatment community to create a structured environment of treatment and close court supervision aimed at improving outcomes of veterans involved in the court system who have substance dependency and/or mental illness and increasing their opportunities for success after military service.

VETERANS COURT PROGRAM GOALS

The primary goals of the Veterans Court are to:

- Help our fellow Veterans receive the services they need to reach their full potential as productive members of society.
- Help them navigate the court system, treatment system, and the VA system.
- Assess their needs and help them adjust back to civilian life.

MENTOR'S DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Attend scheduled court sessions.
- Participate in and lead mentoring sessions lasting between 10 – 15 minutes when assigned by the judge.
- Be Supportive and understanding of the difficulties the Veteran clients are facing and supportive of fellow mentors.
- Assist the Veterans as much as possible to resolve their concerns around the court.

- Assist the Veteran on how to access and navigate the Veteran's Affairs System.
- Communicate and stay close to the court coordinator and judge.
- Comply with the court's HIPAA Order of Limited Release of Specific Substance Abuse Treatment Records and shall not re-disclose information received pursuant to this Order, except as may be provided by law.

I do hereby agree and acknowledge under penalties for perjury that the foregoing representations are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief.

MENTOR

Printed Name

Signature

Date