

NEWTON COUNTY RESOURCE COURT

Participant Handbook

This handbook belongs to:

Welcome to the Newton County Resource Court!

This handbook was designed to answer your questions and provide specific information about what you must do to successfully complete the requirements of the Newton County Resource Court.

As a participant, you are expected to follow the instructions found in this handbook, as well as the instructions of the Resource Court Judge, Court Coordinator, and Treatment Provider. You will also be expected to comply with the treatment plan developed for you by your Treatment Provider.

You are encouraged to share this handbook with your family and friends.

OVERVIEW

Newton County and the Alcovy Judicial Circuit have instituted a voluntary Resource (mental health) Court based on proven national research and program models. The Resource Court provides the participant with an opportunity to pursue mental health treatment and any related substance abuse treatment while productively addressing associated legal problems.

Once accepted, program participants can expect frequent contact with the Resource Court Judge, Staff (including the Court Coordinator, Sheriff's deputies, and probation officers), and Treatment Provider. Participants will be required to complete a five-phase program, which will culminate in a Graduation Ceremony. The Phase Program is designed to be completed in 18 to 24 months but may take longer depending on each person's individual situation.

Program participants will be expected to complete and participate in numerous treatment-oriented activities. These may include: group and individual therapy, weekly court appearances, 12-step programs, probation appointments, home visits by either probation or the Newton County Sheriff's Office, appointments with the Resource Court Coordinator or the case manager, and urine/breath/chemical drug testing.

Program participants who maintain positive participation in the Resource Court may receive incentives or rewards for their progress and accomplishments. These rewards will be determined by the Resource Court Judge.

On the other hand, program participants who violate program rules or fail to achieve phase requirements can expect to receive sanctions. Possible violations may include but are not limited to: missed appointments, curfew violations, failed or adulterated urine tests, failure to produce a urine sample, dishonesty, and new arrests/charges. Sanctions may include but are not limited to: demotion in phase, community service, incarceration, or termination from Resource Court. The

Resource Court Judge, after consulting with the Court Team, will determine what sanction(s) are appropriate on a case-by-case basis.

As mentioned above, upon successful completion of the four phases of the Resource Court, the participant will be eligible to graduate in a ceremony to which friends and family may be invited. This ceremony will mark the start of the participant's lifelong work to manage his or her mental illness in a state of recovery.

PHASES OF RESOURCE COURT

Resource Court is a four-phase program. A participant must successfully complete each phase before moving up to the next phase. Upon successful completion of a program phase, the Resource Court Judge will award a completion certificate to the participant.

Phase I: Stabilize

- Court every week
- Curfew: 7pm-6am
- Comply with treatment and case management plan
 - Outpatient treatment
 - Complete WRAP and Living in Balance curricula
 - New Rock
 - Complete treatment goals as directed
- Duration – 2 month minimum
- To move to next phase, participant must be
 - Clean for 30 days
 - Medication compliant for 30 days
 - Jail or community service sanction-free for 30 days
 - No hospitalization for mental health reasons for 30 days

Phase II: Engage

- Court every week
- Curfew: 7:30pm-6am
- Comply with treatment and case management plan
 - Outpatient
 - Participate in Thinking for a Change and/or Seeking Safety curricula
 - New Rock
 - Complete treatment goals as directed
- Duration – 4 month minimum
- To move to next phase, participant must be
 - Clean for 60 days
 - Medication compliant for 60 days
 - Jail or community service sanction-free for 60 days
 - No hospitalization for mental health reasons for 60 days

Phase III: Maintain

- Court reporting schedule at the court team's discretion
- Curfew: 8:30-6am
- Comply with treatment and case management plan
 - Outpatient
 - Complete Thinking for a Change and/or Seeking Safety curricula
 - New Rock
 - Complete treatment goals as directed
- Duration – 6 month minimum
- To move to next phase, participant must be
 - Clean for 90-150 days (at the court's discretion)
 - Medication compliant for 90-150 days (at the court's discretion)
 - Jail and community service sanction-free for 90-150 days (at the court's discretion)
 - No hospitalization for mental health reasons for 90-150 days (at the court's discretion)

Phase IV: Seek Independence

- Court reporting schedule at the court team's discretion
- Curfew: 9:30pm-6am
- Comply with treatment and case management plan
 - Outpatient
 - Participate in DBT curriculum
 - New Rock
 - Complete treatment goals as directed
- Duration – 6 month minimum
- To move to graduate, participant must be
 - Clean for 180 days
 - Medication compliant for 180 days
 - Jail and community service sanction-free for 180 days
 - No hospitalization for mental health reasons for 180 days

RESOURCE COURT RULES

1. You must not possess or use drugs, synthetic drugs (Bath Salts, Spice, etc.), and alcohol, as well as drug-related items (including, but not limited to, rolling papers, incense, pipes, etc.).
2. You must not possess or use energy drinks and energy shots, including, but not limited to, Red Bull, Monster, Rockstar, Amp, NOS, Full Throttle, Xyience Xenergy, 5 Hour Energy, Stacker, Tweaker, RhinoRush, Vital 4 U, Fuel in a Bottle, and Street King.
3. You must not use or possess vitamins, supplements, detoxes, or cleanses without permission of the Court, including, but not limited to, creatine powder, Vitapaks, energy supplements, muscle builders, appetite controllers, water pills, and performance and endurance supplements.
4. You must not use or possess electronic cigarettes, vaporizes, hookahs, or other devices intended to be filled with leaves, oils, etc. for the purposes of smoking.
5. You must not use or possess the materials smoked in a vaping device, including, but not limited to, vape juice, e-liquid, and flavored tobacco.
6. You must not use or possess BB guns or any other toy gun intended to look like an actual firearm.
7. You must be familiar with the laws, rules, and regulations governing any location or facility where Resource Court-sanctioned activity will occur (including, but not limited to, View Point Health, State Probation offices, etc.).
8. You must immediately report any drug use to the Resource Court Case Manager.

9. You must seek the Resource Court Case Manager's (or Court Coordinator) and Treatment Provider's approval before ingesting any prescription drug or over-the-counter medication, including cold medicine.
10. You may not go to establishments in which alcoholic beverages are the primary item sold, i.e., bars, clubs, liquor stores.
11. You may not visit any websites related to the distribution of drugs, controlled substances, marijuana, alcohol, or the avoidance of drug detection.
12. You may not associate with people who use or possess drugs or people of disreputable or harmful character, including people on probation or parole, people with felony convictions, drug dealers, and gang members. This restriction includes other family members on probation or parole or with felony convictions, unless specifically approved by the court team. Associating with such a person includes contact with an individual in person, in writing, by phone, or by other electronic communication.
13. You must attend all required court sessions/hearings.
14. You must attend all treatment appointments, 12-step meetings, and any other appointments as directed; timely communication with the treatment provider is required.
15. You must complete any and all inpatient or outpatient counseling and treatment that may be recommended by the Resource Court Team.
16. You must take all medication as directed by your Treatment Provider. Any negative side effects should be reported to your Treatment Provider, but until medications are adjusted, you must continue taking medication as directed unless you are specifically granted permission to discontinue use of the medication.

17. If you are also on probation or parole (in addition to being in Resource Court), you must stay in contact with your probation and/or parole officer and must fulfill all of your probation and/or parole requirements (including but not limited to reporting).
18. You must allot sufficient time to report and meet with the probation officer and should not schedule probation appointments close in time to treatment appointments unless approved by the probation officer and treatment provider.
19. You must be on time for all appointments, treatment sessions, and court appearances. You must contact the Resource Court Case Manager in advance if you will be late or cannot attend any appointment and/or court appearance. If the coordinator is not available, the participant must leave a voicemail message. You must contact the treatment provider if you will be late or cannot attend any treatment session. You must also provide appropriate documentation in order for any absence to be excused.
20. You must return all phone calls from the Resource Court Team in a timely manner. You must also set up the voicemail feature associated with your phone to allow for the Resource Court Team to leave a message. You must notify the Resource Case Manager of any changes in your phone number, if your phone is currently not working, and a number at which you can be contacted until your phone is functional.
21. You must submit to drug screens/chemical tests as directed.
22. You must not provide adulterated drug screens, i.e., no diluted, tampered, or false specimens.
23. You must maintain hair long enough to submit to a hair follicle test.

24. You may not possess any firearms, weapons, instruments of crime, or contraband. "Weapon" means and includes any pistol, revolver, or any weapon designed or intended to propel a missile of any kind, or any dirk, bowie knife, switchblade knife, ballistic knife, any other knife having a blade of two or more inches, straight-edge razor, razor blade, spring stick, knuckles, whether made from metal, thermoplastic, wood, or other similar material, blackjack, any bat, club, or other bludgeon-type weapon, or any flailing instrument consisting of two or more rigid parts connected in such a manner as to allow them to swing freely, which may be known as a nun chahka, nun chuck, nunchaku, shuriken, or fighting chain, or any disc, of whatever configuration, having at least two points or pointed blades which is designed to be thrown or propelled and which may be known as a throwing star or oriental dart, or any weapon of like kind, and any stun gun or taser.
25. If you receive Social Security benefits and you are not your own payee, upon entering the program you must transfer payee status to the Court's representative payee who will ensure that all bills are paid in a timely manner.
26. When the treatment plan demonstrates that it is appropriate for you to seek employment, you must then seek, obtain, and maintain regular employment.
27. You may not accept a job or quit your job without first obtaining the permission of the Resource Court and the Treatment Provider. You must also get permission from the Court for any jobs that are outside of Newton County and/or will last more than one day.

28. You must be honest and must not provide false statements, verbally or in writing, to the Resource Court Staff/Team/Judge, law enforcement, or any court.
29. You must comply with all local, state, and federal laws. Participants must immediately notify the Resource Case Manager of any arrests, detention by law enforcement, or issuance of any traffic tickets, county ordinance violations, or citations.
30. You must obtain a high school diploma, GED, job skills training, literacy training, or other life skills training as directed.
31. You will support any legal dependents to the best of your ability. This condition includes any child support that you may already be paying or may pay in the future.
32. You must behave in a respectful manner towards fellow participants and Resource Court Staff/Team/Judge.
33. You must maintain the confidentiality of other participants and of information disclosed in treatment.
34. You must seek permission from the Resource Court to move to a potential new address prior to moving to that new address. You must also inform the Resource Court of any new phone number or employment status. You may not change your residence without prior consent from the Resource Court Team/Judge.
35. You must dress appropriately for treatment sessions and court appearances, i.e., no shorts, no sunglasses, hats, sleeveless t-shirts, muscle shirts, no bedroom slippers, mini-skirts, sexually suggestive clothing, gang attire, cigarettes behind ears, or clothing bearing offensive, violent, racist, sexist, drug or alcohol-related themes, or promoting/advertising alcohol.

36. You should not bring friends or family to treatment sessions without prior approval from the Treatment Provider.
37. Cell phones should not be used in the courtroom, in treatment, or in any Resource Court-sanctioned activity.
38. Children are not allowed in the courtroom during court sessions or in treatment sessions.
39. No food, drink, or gum is allowed in the courthouse or at meetings with the Court Coordinator and the Case Manager.
40. You must comply with the designated curfew unless you are involved in an emergency, and/or have prior approval from the Resource Court. Extension requests must be received in writing a minimum of 24 hours prior to your next court date for the request to be considered by the court team.
41. You must comply with all instructions and/or requirements imposed upon you by the Resource Court Team/Judge.
42. You must not enter into a romantic relationship with another participant; car rides and/or other means of transportation, regular encounters, and regular electronic communication between participants are subject to being deemed a relationship by the Resource Court Team.
43. If you need to ride with another court participant to court events, you must submit a transportation plan to the court team for approval.
44. You must not live with any other court participants, unless such living arrangement is in a supervised treatment setting and approved by the treatment provider and the court team.
45. You must not enter into any financial arrangements with other court participants. Participants are not allowed to work for each other or borrow money from each other. Participants may work for the same

employer as long as none of the participants are another participant's supervisor.

46. You must complete all phase requirements in the time allotted that is outlined in the handbook and in your treatment plan. Failure to complete all of the requirements and failure to phase up may result in termination from the Resource Court.
47. You must reside in Newton County for the duration of the Resource Court program.
48. You must not have guests after your curfew unless approved by the court.
49. You must receive prior approval from the court before obtaining a pet. Approval will be subject, but not limited to, creating an adequate care, supervision, and budget plan for the animal(s) including a secondary caregiver if you become temporarily or permanently unable to care for the animal(s). All pets will be put up in either a kennel, placed outside in a fenced in area or in another room when the Deputies arrive.

RESOURCE COURT TEAM

The Resource Court Judge will make all decisions regarding your participation in the Resource Court program with input from the Resource Court team. In addition to the Judge, the Resource Court team consists of the following members:

- Defense Attorney
- District Attorney
- Resource Court Coordinator
- Resource Court Case Manager
- Probation Officer
- Treatment Provider

- Law Enforcement Representative

STAFFINGS

Before each Resource Court session, the Resource Court Team will discuss each participant's progress in a private staffing session. This discussion will include drug testing results, attendance, participation, behavior, attitude, and cooperation in the treatment program, employment, or other requirements that may have been imposed. The Team will also discuss and make recommendations to the Judge about possible incentives or sanctions.

COURT APPEARANCES

As a Resource Court participant, you will be required to appear before the Presiding Resource Court Judge (or designated official) for Resource Court reviews on a regular basis. Resource Court will meet every Wednesday at 3:00 p.m. The number of times you must appear in court per month depends on what phase you are in at the time. Upon entry into the Resource Court, you will be given a calendar and informed of your court appearances and treatment appointments. Failure to appear may result in an order for your arrest and detention in jail. If you have questions about your court appearances and appointments, you may contact the Resource Court Coordinator.

If program violations occur, a participant is subject to being required to appear at the next Resource Court session or at a meeting with the Case Manager as directed; notice to appear will be given in the form of a written notice or as a verbal directive from a Resource Court team member.

INCENTIVES

Incentives are used to recognize and reward participation and progress.

Upon the recommendation of the Resource Court Team, participants may be given incentives for compliant behavior. The most frequently used incentive occurs during court reviews when the Judge publicly recognizes a participant's progress and acknowledges the participant's hard work and accomplishments. Other incentives may include items such as gift certificates, food coupons, personal hygiene items, certificates or awards, and advancement to the next phase. Incentives will be determined by the Resource Court Judge and are dependent upon available resources. The following behaviors may result in incentives:

- Honesty in a difficult situation
- Acting as a role model/mentor to another participant
- Achieving a sobriety chip
- Getting a job
- Achieving case management goals

SANCTIONS

Participants may incur sanctions for noncompliance with Resource Court requirements. Sanctions will be imposed by the Resource Court Judge. Sanctions may include but are not limited to: reprimand by the Resource Court Judge, demotion in phase, written or oral reports or apologies, community service, jail, or termination from the Resource Court.

In the event that a participant is given an incarceration sanction, once released from jail, the participant must continue to abide by the calendar previously given to him/her and attend all treatment sessions, court appearances, and other appointments/program requirements.

The Resource Court Judge reserves the right to impose sanctions on a case-by-case basis and to impose sanctions that are appropriate to the participant and the violation.

Flash Incarceration: Certain egregious events may subject the participant to “flash incarceration,” which requires that the participant go into custody immediately. Such egregious events may include, but are not limited to, new charges or probation violations, presence at and/or participation in a party where alcohol or other prohibited substances are being used, safety-related violations, and signs of obvious intoxication. After flash incarceration, a hearing will be held in a timely manner to hear from the participant and determine the nature of the sanction.

DRUG/CHEMICAL TESTING

You will be randomly tested for drug and alcohol use throughout your entire participation in the Resource Court program. You will always be given an opportunity to admit or deny use before the administration of a drug test. If an on-site test is positive and you DENY alcohol and/or drug use and you request a confirmation, YOU will be required to pay for a confirmation test at your expense if the confirmation test is positive. You are responsible for requesting confirmation immediately (if applicable) when the treatment provider and/or Resource Court Staff confront the participant regarding the positive test.

Diluting, contaminating, or substituting a sample are considered program violations and will be sanctioned appropriately.

Alcohol testing will also be conducted periodically; however, if it is suspected you have been consuming alcohol and you are required to submit to an alcohol test, YOU will be required to pay for the cost of this test if the results are positive. These tests must be sent to the lab for results.

MEDICATION REQUIREMENTS

- No medications that have alcohol in them are to be taken.
- No substances that have alcohol in them are to be taken.
- If you are using mouthwash that has alcohol in it and you test positive, it will be considered a positive test.
- It is your responsibility to notify the Resource Court Case Manager or Court Coordinator of any changes of medication. It is your responsibility to notify your physician that you are in the court program and what medications that you can or cannot take.
- All participants will need to bring a signed Medical Provider Advisory form when you go to your doctor that states that you are in active recovery and in our program. The Medical Provider Advisory form will advise the doctor that any narcotic and/or addictive substances must be avoided. Your doctor should fill out the form and you should return the form to court staff as soon as possible.
- When you are prescribed new medication, you are required to either contact the Resource Court Case Manager by phone or text with a complete list of medications you have been prescribed, prior to filling the prescription. If you are unable to reach the Case Manager or Court Coordinator by phone, you should text a photo of the prescription information to the Case Manager.

THE FOLLOWING MEDICATIONS MAY NOT BE TAKEN

A

Adipex-P; generic: Phentermine

Actiq (phentermine)-Abstal, Duragesic, Fentanyl, Ionsys, Sublimaze

Actonel or Restoril; used for osteoporosis

Adderall; generic: Amphetamine Mixed Salts

Alcohol (ethanol, ethyl alcohol) or anything containing ethyl alcohol including “Alcohol-Free” beer. Many over-the-counter liquid preparations such as cough syrups, cold medications, mouthwash, body washes or gels, etc. may contain alcohol and may produce a positive EtG (alcohol) urine drug screen. It is **YOUR** responsibility to read the labels on these preparations or ask a pharmacist to make sure the products you use do not contain alcohol.

Alurate

Ambien- sleep aid

Amphetamine or any product containing amphetamine or any of its derivatives, such as dextroamphetamine (Dexedrine), benzphetamine (Didrex), methamphetamine (Desoxyn, speed, meth, ice, crystal, etc.), DOM, de- or di-methoxyamphetamine, and others.

Amytal; generic: Amobarbital

Atarax or Tracrium; generic: Atracurium Besylate

Ativan; generic: Lorazepam, Xanax

Atropen; generic: Atropine, Lomital, Lonax

B

Barbiturates, including but not limited to butabarbital (Butisol), butalbital (Fiorinal and others), mephobarbital (Mebaral), phenobarbital (Nembutal), yellow jackets (Donnatal), secobarbital (Seconal, red devils, Xmas trees, rainbows), thiopental (Pentothal) and any other barbiturate.

Benzedrine (bennies or whites)
Biphetamine (Black Beauty)
Brevibloc –beta blocker
Brevital; generic: Methohexital
Bromo-quinine- used to treat Malaria
Bontril ; generic: Phendimetrazine Tartrate
Butabarbital
Butalbital
Butisol or Butisol Na
Bufotenine (Dimethylserotonin)

C

Carbamazepine (Carbatrol)
Centrax;
Chloral Hydrate , Somnote, Noctec
Chloprhenramine and Hydorcodone- Tussinex
Claritin D
Clonazapam (Klonopin)
Cocaine
Codeine or any medication containing codeine, such as cough syrups (Robitussin
A-C, Tussin A-C, and others)
Compoz (OTC)- sleep aid

D

Dalmane (Flurazepam)

Demerol (meperidine)

Deprol or Diproline; generic: Betamethasone Dipropionate

Desoxyn or Methamphetamine- Hydrochloride- weight loss

DET (Diethyltryptamine and all other tryptamine derivatives, such as DMT, dimethyltryptamine and others)

Dexatrim- weight loss

Dexaspan

Dexedrine (dexies or hearts; dextroamphetamine, or any product containing dextroamphetamine)

Dextromethorphan (DM or DXM and any product containing the substance, including most cold and cough medications)

Didrex; generic: Benzphetamine HCl

Dilaudid

DMT (dimethyltryptamine)

Dolophine or Methadone

DOM (Demethoxyamphetamine)

Donnatal or Belladonna (phenobarbital + atropine + hyoscyamine + scopolamine)

Doriden or Doridanm;

Duragesic (fentanyl)

Duramorph (morphine)

E

Ephedra products

Efed

Equagesic (meprobamate + aspirin)

Epzicon; generic: Limbitrol, Abacaviar, Lamivudine,

Eskatrol

Escobarb

Esmolol- Beta Blocker

F

Fastin; generic: Phentermine HCl, Adipex, Suprenza, T-Diet, Zantryl

Fentanyl (Sublimaze, Actiq, Durogesic, Duragesic, Fentora, Onsolis, Instanyl and others)

Fiorinal-Fiorcet (butalbital, aspirin, caffeine) and any with codeine

Four Loko

G

GHB (Gamma-Hydroxybutyrate)

H

Halcion; generic: Triazolam

Hashish or Hashies

Heroin (diacetyl morphine, E, Horse, Dope, Smack, Junk)

Hydrocodone and any products containing hydrocodone (Vicodin, Lorcet, Lortab, Tussionex, Zydone as examples, and many others)

Hyoscine- Bucopan, Scolamine, Maldemar

I

Ibogaine- Ketamine, Mematine, Amantadine

Ionamin; generic: Phentermine Resin Sa

Innovar; generic: Fentanyl with Droperidol

K

Ketamine or Ketalar SV

Klonopin; generic: Clonazepam

L

Laudanum

Levo-Dromoran, Levorphanol

Libritabs

Limbitrol or Epzicon (chlordiazepoxide + amitriptyline)

Librax or Librium; generic: Chlordiazepoxide, Clidinium

Lomotil- Lomax- Anti-diarrhea medication

Lorcet; generic: Hydrocodone

Lortab- Vicodin, Norco, Verdrocet, Xodol, Zamicet

LSD (Lysergic Acid, Acid, or Diethylamide)

Lunesta- sleep aid

Liminal (Blue Heavens)

M

Marijuana (Pot, THC, Grass, Mary Jane)

Mebaral; generic: Mephobarbitas

Melfiat (phendimetrazine)- weight loss

Mepergan Forte

Meprobarbarnate or Miltown or Milpath; generic: hydroxyzine

Methadone (Dolophine, Methadose)

Methaqualone- Quaaluds

Methamphetamine (Speed, Meth, Desoxyn, Methadrine)

Mescaline- form of Peyote (hallucinogen)

MDMA (Methylene Dioxy-Methamphetamine)

Morphine and any other drug products containing morphine or its derivatives and combinations (Duramorph, Roxanol and others)

N

Nembutal (Yellow Jackets); generic: Pentobarbital

Noctec G Chloral Hydrate

Noludar- Methprylon

Norflex; generic: Orphenadrine

Norgesic

Numorphan

Nytol or Nyquil

O

Opium

Oxycodone (Oxycontin and other products containing oxycodone such as Percobarb, Percocet, Percodan)

Oxycontin

P

Pailocybin

Parafon Forte; generic: Chlorzoxazone

Paxipan; generic: Halazepam

PCP (Phencyclidine)

Pentothal; generic: Thiopental

Percocet or Percobarb or Percodan (Oxycodone)

Peyote

Phenaphen #1, 2, 3, 4 with Codeine
Phenobarbital or Phenob
Phenzocine
Placidyl; generic: Ethchlorvynol
Plegine; generic: Hydroxychloroquine Sulfate
Phendimetrazine Tartrate
Prolamine
Propoxyphene
Psilocybin
Poppy Seeds

Q

Quaalude

R

Restoril or Actonel with Calcium; generic: Risedronate Sodium
Ritalin; generic: Methyphenidate
Robaxin or Robaxisal; generic: Methocarbamol
Robitussin A-C
Rohypnol; generic: Flunitrazepam
Roxanol- morphine
Roxicet- Percocet
Roxicodone- Oxycodone

S

Sanorex; generic: Mazindol
Seco Barbital or Seconal (Red Devils)

Serax; generic: Oxazepam- used for alcohol withdrawal
Scopolamine- Buscopan, Hyoscine
Sodium Luminar
Sodium Phenobarbital
Sonata
Soma; generic: Carisoprodol - Vanadom
Sopor; generic: Methaqualone
Spice
Sublimaze or Fentanyl
Surital
Synalogos-D

T

Talwin; generic: Pentazocine Lactate
Tenuate; generic: Diethylpropion HCl
Tic Opium
Tramadol or Ultram
Tranxene; generic: Clorazepate Dipotassium
Tuinal (Xmas trees, Rainbows) or Seco Barbitol
Tussionex- Hydrocodone
Tylenol #1, 2, 3, 4
Tylox- Endocet, Magnacet, Percocet,

U

Ultram; generic: Tramadol HCl

V

Valium; generic: Diazepam

Valpin

Versed; generic: Midazolam Hydrochloride

Vesprin- Triflupromazine

Vicodin or Hydrocodone-Lortab, Lorcet, Norco, Vercodrocet

Vicoprofen; generic: Hydrocodone with Ibuprofen

Vistaril; generic: Hydroxyzine- Atarax, Hyzine

W

X

Xanax; generic: Alprazolam- Lorazepam, Niravam

Z

Zantac

Zydone; generic: Hydrocodone with Acetaminophen- Lortab, Lorcet, Verdrocet

*** The above list of drugs that are NOT to be taken is NOT an exhaustive list and is subject to additions.***

Also prohibited is any product labeled “not intended for human consumption,” intended to be smoked, ingested, or injected for the purposes of “getting high.” Spice and K2 are examples of these products. There are different kinds of Spice

such as K2 Summit, K2 Ultra, and K2 Blonde, among others. There are even newer versions of Spice named K2 Sky Herb, K2 Orisha, and K2 Thai. These products contain herbal mixtures with cannabinomimetic compounds added to the mixture.

Another group of products known as “Bath Salts,” but not intended for bathing, is also prohibited. Such products contain chemicals similar to amphetamines. They are often called “bath salts” but are also sold under names such as Ivory Wave, Purple Wave, Red Dove, White Dove, Blue Silk, and Zoom. Some have also been labeled as plant food.

All of these products are prohibited from use for Resource Court participants and are classified by DEA and GBND as class I, not for human use. These products are found in head shops, gas stations, smoke shops, on-line, and other convenience stores.

MEDICATIONS THAT MAY BE TAKEN (only as directed on the label):

- Advil, Aleve, Aspirin, Tylenol, Ibuprofen
- Benadryl, Motrin, Naproxyn, Zyrtec

You may not take any prescription medication that is not specifically prescribed to you by a physician. Any medication, prescription or over the counter must be taken only as directed.

It is the participant’s responsibility to notify the Resource Court Team that there has been a change of medication.

LEAVE REQUESTS

Travel Leave Requests

As a Resource Court participant, you may not leave the State of Georgia (for any reason) without first filing a leave request and obtaining permission from the Resource Case Manager AND the Probation Office and Parole Office (if applicable). Leave request can be submitted in person to the Resource Court Case Manager.

. Written leave requests must be **submitted to the Resource Court Office** at least **two (2) weeks** prior to the anticipated date of departure. (Emergency/non-two week leave requests will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.)

Medical and Maternity Leave Requests

A participant may be placed on Medical Leave if he/she provides medical documentation showing proof that he/she will be temporarily unable to fully participate in the program due to medical reasons.

During Medical Leave/Maternity Leave, participant progress in the program stops. A participant must submit appropriate medical documentation and sign releases of information waivers with the Resource Court staff and his/her doctor's office before Medical Leave is granted. It is at the Resource Court team's discretion whether the participant will report to court reviews, provide drug screens, or be placed on curfew for the duration of Medical Leave. The participant will sign a medical leave contract that specifies the terms of his or her medical

leave.¹ The participant will provide a negative drug screen and provide documentation he/she is released from a doctor's care before he/she is eligible to return to treatment.

Maternity Leave: A participant may be granted two weeks of Maternity Leave following childbirth. The participant is not required to attend group sessions, drug screens, or court reviews during that two week period.

If a participant fails to comply with conditions set forth in the Medical/Maternity Leave contract, he/she will be sanctioned at the discretion of the Resource Court.

CURFEW EXTENSIONS

No curfew extensions will be granted in Phase 1. Curfew extensions are required to be submitted in writing at least 24 hours prior to the court date before the day of requested extension. The Resource Court Team are able to grant extension approval/denial. Participants will be notified of approval status in a timely manner. A limited number of curfew extensions will be granted in each phase; participants should plan ahead when requesting a curfew extension.

Curfew extensions for 12-step attendance MUST be accompanied with a work schedule to be considered for approval. If a curfew extension is requested for an extended period time or for permanent approval, you must write an explanation for the request on the curfew request form.

SEARCH REQUIREMENTS

As a participant in the Resource Court, you have knowingly and voluntarily waived your Fourth Amendment Rights. As such, you have agreed to submit to a

¹ Exhibit 23 – Medical Leave Contract
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search of your person, residence, papers, and/or effects, cell phone, and computer at any time of the day or night without a search warrant and without probable cause, whenever requested to do so by a probation officer, law enforcement officer, or Resource Court Staff/Treatment Provider upon reasonable and articulable suspicion to believe that you are in violation of your probation (if applicable), one or more of the rules of Resource Court, or the law.

The search of your residence will not be limited to common areas and your personal area. It may include areas of the home that are personal to other residents.

HOME VISITS, JOB CHECKS & VERIFICATIONS

Resource Court Staff, including a Sheriff's Deputy, will monitor each participant through job checks/verifications and home visits.

The job checks will be unannounced and may include a visit and/or telephone call to the participant's place of employment in order to verify employment status.

The home visits will be unannounced and may occur at any time, day or night. The frequency of the job checks and home visits will be at the discretion of Resource Court Staff.

During the job and home visits, the participant is subject to the search requirements (stated above). The participant is responsible for keeping Resource Court Staff informed of his/her current contact information, place of employment, and schedule. You are responsible for confining or restraining any pets at your residence during a home visit.

CONFIDENTIALITY

State and Federal laws require that your privacy and treatment information be protected and not disclosed except by your permission or proper court order. The Resource Court has developed policies and procedures that guard your privacy. Participants are PROHIBITED from discussing another participant's Resource Court enrollment, status, condition, treatment plan, or other information of a confidential nature with family, friends, or members of the public.

***Please note:** State and Federal laws also prevent the courtroom from being closed to the general public. Thus, participants should expect members of the community and other Resource Court participants to be present in the courtroom during Resource Court sessions.

TERMINATION

Warrants, new arrests, threats of violence, or violation of any aspect of the program rules and regulations may result in your termination from the Resource Court program.

If terminated from the program, you would be entitled to a hearing. Upon termination, defendants are either 1) sentenced based on recommendations from the prosecutor and the defense attorney (if the participant entered before being sentenced) or 2) subject to the imposition of the previously suspended sentence.

GRADUATION CEREMONY

Upon your successful completion of the Resource Court and satisfaction of all court requirements, including continued stability, recovery, and sobriety, you

will be eligible for graduation. Attendance at the graduation ceremony is mandatory.

The graduation ceremony is recognized as an important event. It celebrates your successful completion of the five phases of the Resource Court program. It is also your formal graduation from the Resource Court and marks the start of your lifelong work to remain in a state of recovery. You will be able to invite your family and friends to join you at your graduation ceremony.

AFTERCARE

If you are on probation at the same time that you are in Resource Court, your probation sentence may extend for months or years after completing the program. After graduating, you will be required, pursuant to conditions of probation, to continue engaging in mental health and/or substance abuse treatment at the direction of your probation officer and mental health clinician. You may also be required to attend Resource Court sessions on a monthly or bi-monthly basis for a length of time agreed upon by your probation officer, the District Attorney, your attorney, and your sentencing judge.

If you are not on probation and/or have entered the Resource Court under a pre-adjudication agreement, it is recommended that you continue with mental health and/or substance abuse treatment after graduation. Prior to graduating, your case manager and treatment provider will meet with you to discuss plans for treatment after graduation and to help you find the treatment option that will be the best for supporting you in your life in recovery.

CONCLUSION

The Newton County Resource Court has been designed to help you achieve a state of recovery and abstinence from alcohol and drugs. The Judge and the Resource Court Staff/Team are here to guide and assist you; however, **the ultimate responsibility is yours. To succeed, you must be motivated to commit to living in a state of recovery.**

RESOURCES

Resource Court

On Call/After Hours Number (After 5PM and before 8AM) **864-777-0082**

Robert Pelfrey (Court Coordinator) 678-209-3618

Anna Greene Watkins (Case Manager) 678-544-4351

Treatment

View Point Health 678-209-2600

Academy for Family Empowerment 770-918-5003

Alcoholics Anonymous 770-788-2308

Care and Counseling of Newton 770-922-3044

Family Intervention Services 770-222-6622

Georgia Crisis and Access Line (suicide) 800-715-4225

Hopes of Honorable Youth (IFI provider) 404-797-7126

Impact Counseling (teen and family counseling) 404-545-0589

Pathways Transition Programs 404-378-2300

Real Life: Celebrate Recovery (addiction) 770-786-2048

Social Empowerment Center 770-925-2095

Tomorrow's Home for Children (IFI provider) 770-786-8598

Cocaine Hotline 1-800-905-8666

Physical Health

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| American Heart Association, Newton | 770-786-7053 |
| AID Gwinnett (HIV/AIDS services) | 770-962-8396 |
| Help a Child Smile Mobile Dental Program | 770-760-7900 |
| Newton County Public Health | 770-786-9086 |
| Willing Helpers Medical Clinic | 770-784-0982 |
| Clinica de Agave | 678-413-2026 |
| Newton Medical Center | 770-786-7053 |
| Rockdale Medical Center | 770-918-3000 |
| PeachCare (health insurance for children) | 1-877-427-3224 |

Family Support

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| First Steps (newborn education) | 770-385-4396 |
| Refuge Pregnancy & Resource Center | 770-922-5939 |
| Young People Matter (homeless youth) | 770-912-2972 |
| American Red Cross | 404-575-3060 |
| The Community Food Pantry | 770-784-0037 |
| FaithWorks (utility assistance) | 770-784-1884 |
| Goodwill Industries | 770-788-2298 |
| Rainbow Covenant Ministries (homeless, food) | 770-787-8519 |
| Repairers of the Breach (thrift store) | 678-625-7520 |
| Salvation Army | 770-786-2107 |
| Willing Helpers Food Ministry | 678-342-3434 |
| Cherokee AARP (home repair and visits) | 770-786-6206 |
| Meals on Wheels (food for homebound) | 770-787-0038 |
| Nat'l Association of Retired Federal Employees | 770-788-9977 |
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Newton County Senior Center (Turner Lake Park) 770-787-0038

Community Resources

Department of Family and Children Services 770-784-2490

Georgia Department of Labor (Covington) 770-794-2455

State Probation Office 770-784-2700

Public Defender's Office 770-788-3750

District Attorney's Office 770-784-2070