



ADULT COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS DIVISION STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES

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I. DIVISION DIRECTIVE:

The Adult Community Corrections Division will establish procedures for programs designed to assist offenders who completed the WATCH Program and have been sentenced to a new felony DUI.

II. DEFINITIONS:

Department or DOC – The Montana Department of Corrections.

DOC Commitment – A commitment by the District Court of an adult offender, or a criminally convicted youth, for placement in a state correctional facility or program operated by the Department or under the authority of the Department.

Treatment Facility Contract Manager – The Department's employee who acts as the liaison for services and monitors the contractual agreement between the Department and ACCD contract treatment facilities: START, CCP, Passages, Elkhorn, NEXUS, and WATCH.

III. PROCEDURES:

The goal of these programs is to help offenders identify and change their way of thinking, their behaviors and the addictive characteristics that have placed them into the Department, and to gain the tools necessary to stay in recovery.

- A. Pursuant to the procedures of *P&P 150-1 DOC Commitments*, offenders sentenced by the District Court as a DOC commitment are assessed and classified by the Regional Administrator (RA) and/or Probation & Parole Officer II (POII) and the Probation & Parole Officer (Officer) for appropriate placement.
- B. There are three (3) placement options for offenders who have previously successfully completed the WATCH Program, have been convicted of a 2nd or subsequent felony DUI [§61-8-731(3), MCA] and sentenced as a DOC commitment.

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1. The WATCH Repeaters Program

- a. The WATCH Repeaters Program is a 90-day program for offenders whose 2nd or subsequent felony DUI occurs within four (4) years after their completion of the WATCH Program.
- b. The Connections Corrections Program (CCP) West at Warm Springs will provide up to five (5) beds out of its current capacity for offenders in the program.
- c. Application and screening procedures given in *ACCD 4.1.100 Adult Community Corrections Division Screening and Placement Guide* must be followed.
- d. Pursuant to *ACCD 5.1.102 Length of Stays*, justification for a length of stay will be provided and/or updated on *ACCD 4.1.100(F) Progress/Summary Report*.
- e. To successfully complete the Repeaters Program, offenders have clinical guidelines and treatment programming that matches the WATCH Program, but have additional assignments to address addiction, relapse, relapse prevention, and criminality. These offenders are subject to aggressive schedules and are required to complete community service as a part of the program. Offenders are also expected to co-facilitate in conjunction with staff, areas of expertise or failure, education, and any other area of knowledge or experience. Each offender in this program is required to demonstrate self-awareness, leadership, and mentoring when needed.
- f. CCP West will indicate on its monthly invoice which offenders are participating in the WATCH Repeaters Program and will be reimbursed at the current per diem rate as other CCP West offenders.

2. WATCH II (or 2nd WATCH) Program

- a. The WATCH II Program is a 6-month program for offenders whose 2nd or subsequent felony DUI occurs four (4) or more years after their completion of the WATCH Program. It is offered at both WATCH West (Warm Springs) and WATCH East (Glendive).
- b. To recommend an offender to the program, a POII or RA must staff the case with the Treatment Facility Contract Manager and Adult Community Corrections Division Administrator. If approved for placement, the application and screening procedures given in *ACCD 4.1.100 Adult Community Corrections Division Screening and Placement Guide* must be followed.
- c. Placement in a prerelease center upon completion is not mandatory, but will be determined on a case-by-case basis by the referral source.
- d. Pursuant to *ACCD 5.1.102 Length of Stays*, justification for a length of stay will be provided and/or updated on *ACCD 4.1.100(F) Progress/Summary Report*.
- e. Offenders in this program move through the standard three (3) phases of the WATCH program at an accelerated and condensed rate to get to Phase III of the program by approximately the ninth week. They then spend 15 weeks in Phase III completing extensive in-depth Cognitive Principles and Restructuring (CP&R) to identify their criminality and

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reason for relapse. These offenders are required to take on leadership roles by mentoring other offenders, attend auxiliary groups on an individual basis, co-facilitate other groups and classes, and conduct more volunteerism and outreach with the community.

3. Montana State Prison (MSP) / Montana Women's Prison (MWP)

The offender may be sentenced to MSP/MWP by the District Court, or may be placed at MSP/MWP by the Regional Administrator or POII through the procedures of *ACCD 4.6.202 Override to Montana State Prison or Montana Women's Prison*.

B. CLOSING:

Any questions regarding this procedure should be directed to the Facility Administrator or the Treatment Facility Contract Manager.

C. FORMS:

ACCD 4.1.100 (F) Progress/Summary Report