

Miami-Dade Veterans Treatment Court Program Requirements

- Cooperate with the completion of substance abuse and mental health assessments that will be used to assist in the development of case and treatment plans. Follow the recommended level of care (i.e., outpatient, intensive outpatient, residential). Assessments will be ongoing and the initial recommendation may change based on my progress.
- Attend all treatment program services, as well as NA/AA if deemed necessary, that I am referred to by the Court, and be supervised by persons designated by the Court. Obey all rules of the treatment program and pay all required program fees and contributions, unless waived by the Court.
- Report to my substance abuse and/or mental health provider as instructed. The program time period is a minimum of 14 months of active treatment with up to an additional 4 months of community supervision. The length of time in the program will depend upon my individual needs. Relapse(s) or continued non-compliance will cause my time in VTC to be extended.
- Meet with my VTC case manager face-to-face on weekly basis, and maintain ongoing, regular phone contact throughout the course of the program.
- Sign an individual treatment plan with my primary counselor, actively participate in the accomplishment of goals and objectives as designated, and follow all treatment recommendations.
- Submit to random urine, breath, and other drug/alcohol testing as ordered by the Court, at least twice per week.
- Appear for any and all court dates, treatment meetings, and other scheduled appointments as ordered by the Court unless excused.
- Consent to allow information concerning me to be given to all VTC team members (including service providers, coordinator, case managers, intake specialist, public defender, assistant state attorney, and judge) as needed to carry out official tasks of the program. This includes but is not limited to urinalysis results, treatment group attendance and progress, medical health and mental health issues, employment, legal status, and any other personal information the VTC team deems appropriate as part of my treatment.
- Refrain from engaging in any criminal activity.

- Keep the Court, VTC staff, and my treatment provider(s) informed of my current address and phone number(s). Report any and all changes within a 48-hour period.
- Abstain from the use or possession of alcohol or illicit drugs while participating in the program, including narcotic prescription medications. *This excludes caffeine and nicotine.*
- Have a valid and current prescription from a physician if I am taking any prescribed medication, to be provided to the Court. Additionally, I must inform the VTC team of all over-the-counter medications that I take. Some over-the-counter and prescription medications may test positive for illegal substances on a drug test. Accordingly, participants should make the Court aware for their own protection.
- Expect to receive incentives when I progress in the program and sanctions when I am in violation of program requirements. Various forms of positive reinforcement will be used to encourage my progression in the program. Sanctions will be given when I fail to comply with Court and treatment requirements.
- Permission must be requested and a travel pass must be obtained from the Court, at least 48 hours prior, if I expect to travel outside of Monroe, Miami-Dade, Broward, or Palm Beach Counties at any time during my participation in VTC, pending proof of compliance. If I will be traveling to the counties mentioned in this paragraph which do not require a travel pass, I am aware the travel cannot interfere with my treatment schedule.