## Court Clinic Alternative Intervention for Men/AIM

The mission of AIM is to provide gender-specific, evidence-based treatment to non-violent, court involved men who have co-occurring mental health and substance abuse or dependence disorders. AIM will utilize an evidence-based, trauma-informed Men's Trauma and Recovering Empowerment Model (MTREM) to assist clients in improving their coping and interpersonal skills so that they are better equipped to resolve conflicts and other stressors that result in drug use and criminal activity.

Eligible male clients will be required to attend three days a week for a minimum of three months. They will spend most of their weekly 12 hours attending group therapies that target recovery and stability. Men will also receive individual therapy as well as case management services and medication management services as needed.

### Court Clinic Alternative Interventions for Women/AIW

The mission of **AIW** is to assist women involved with the criminal justice system who have co-occurring mental health and substance abuse or dependence disorders move toward recovery and reintegration into the community.

The average length of the program, including the core program and transition can be up to a year. The amount of time varies based on individual progress and treatment need.

#### **Transition - Community - Reintegration:**

Aftercare is available as long as a woman continues to attend the program.

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# Forensic & Treatment Services







## **Forensic Services**

#### **Forensic Evaluations**

As a certified Forensic Center in the Ohio Department of Mental Health & Addiction Services, evaluations are provided to the Judges of the criminal courts of Hamilton, Clermont, Brown, Adams, Lawrence and Scioto Counties, pursuant to the Ohio Revised Codes, and in accordance with the Ohio Department of Mental Health Standards. Types of evaluations include: Competency to Stand Trial, NGRI (Not Guilty by Reason of Insanity), Post-NGRI (Conditional Release), Treatment and Risk Assessments.

**Competency Monitoring** is a service for defendants who have been found to be Competent to Stand Trial by the Court but may be at risk of de-compensating (Hamilton County only). Court Clinic staff meets with the defendant while at the Hamilton County Justice Center awaiting court proceedings. If Court Clinic Staff identifies a change in the defendant's mental status, they will notify the Court.

**Competency Restoration:** Court Clinic offers outpatient competency restoration treatment, an alternative to inpatient treatment. This service will be recommended by the Court Clinic Staff as appropriate in a court-ordered competency evaluation. **Jury Intervention:** is a service provided upon request by a Judge or Jury Commissioner. Court Clinic provides assistance to Jurors who may have experienced psychological or emotional stress as a result of their participation in a major criminal case.

**Court Liaison Services:** Court Clinic's Court Liaison Service is a model diversion/linkage program for the State. Court Liaison staff members are present in arraignment courtrooms.

Referrals are made by Pretrial Services, attorneys, and probation officers. Individuals are identified as mentally ill (either in need of first time services or have dropped out of already existing services). The Liaison staff can make the Court aware of the need for a competency evaluation, possible Mental Health Court evaluation, facilitate individuals to receive mental health services in the Justice Center or community, and/or reconnect the individual with pre-existing services in the community, many being SMD (severely mentally disabled) individuals.

**Mental Health & Veteran's Treatment Courts** are specialized dockets that provide services and programs that enable qualified individuals to be treated in a Court-monitored, community based mental health program in lieu of incarceration.

**Forensic Monitoring:** The Forensic Monitoring program serves as the liaison between the criminal justice system, treatment agencies, and state behavioral health hospitals for individuals found NGRI or Incompetent to Stand Trial/ Unrestorable who remain under Court jurisdiction (IST-U-CJ)

# Recovery Services/TASC

**Court Clinic Recovery Services/TASC** is a community-based program that addresses the needs of substance-abusing criminal offenders who are involved in the Hamilton County, Ohio criminal justice system. Court Clinic Recovery Services/TASC provides a wide array of services that meets the needs of offenders who have substance abuse disorders.

**Substance Abuse Education:** This is a four- week education group that provides basic substance abuse education to individuals who have been diagnosed with an abuse diagnosis. Clients must also provide 2 consecutive negative drug screens and attend all 4 meetings. Group is held on Mondays from 10:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m.

**Solutions Oriented Services (SOS) group:** This group is a 12-week therapy group designed for those individuals who struggle with substance abuse, such as cocaine and/or marijuana. The focus of this group is cognitive-behavioral therapy. This group meets once a week either on Monday or Wednesday for 1.5 hours. Clients must provide 4 consecutive negative drug screens and attend support meetings in order to successfully complete.

**Enhanced Outpatient Group:** This group is more intensive and is designed for those struggling with recovery issues. Curriculum will introduce 12-Step Work in addition to providing cognitive-behavioral therapy. This group meets twice a week on Tuesdays and Fridays for 2.5 hours.

#### The Medication Assisted Treatment Program

provides office-based medical treatment to individuals who have an addiction to heroin and other opioid medications. Medications such as buprenorphine (Suboxone) are used to treat opioid addiction in an outpatient setting. Clients receive a comprehensive assessment, individualized medical treatment, and counseling.

## Other Treatment Groups

Court Clinic facilitates **Anger Management** and **Theft** groups (every six weeks), and an **Intensive Thinking for a Change** (corrective thinking) group to address pro-criminal attitudes and behavior.

These 3 groups are available to all individuals on probation in Hamilton County.

