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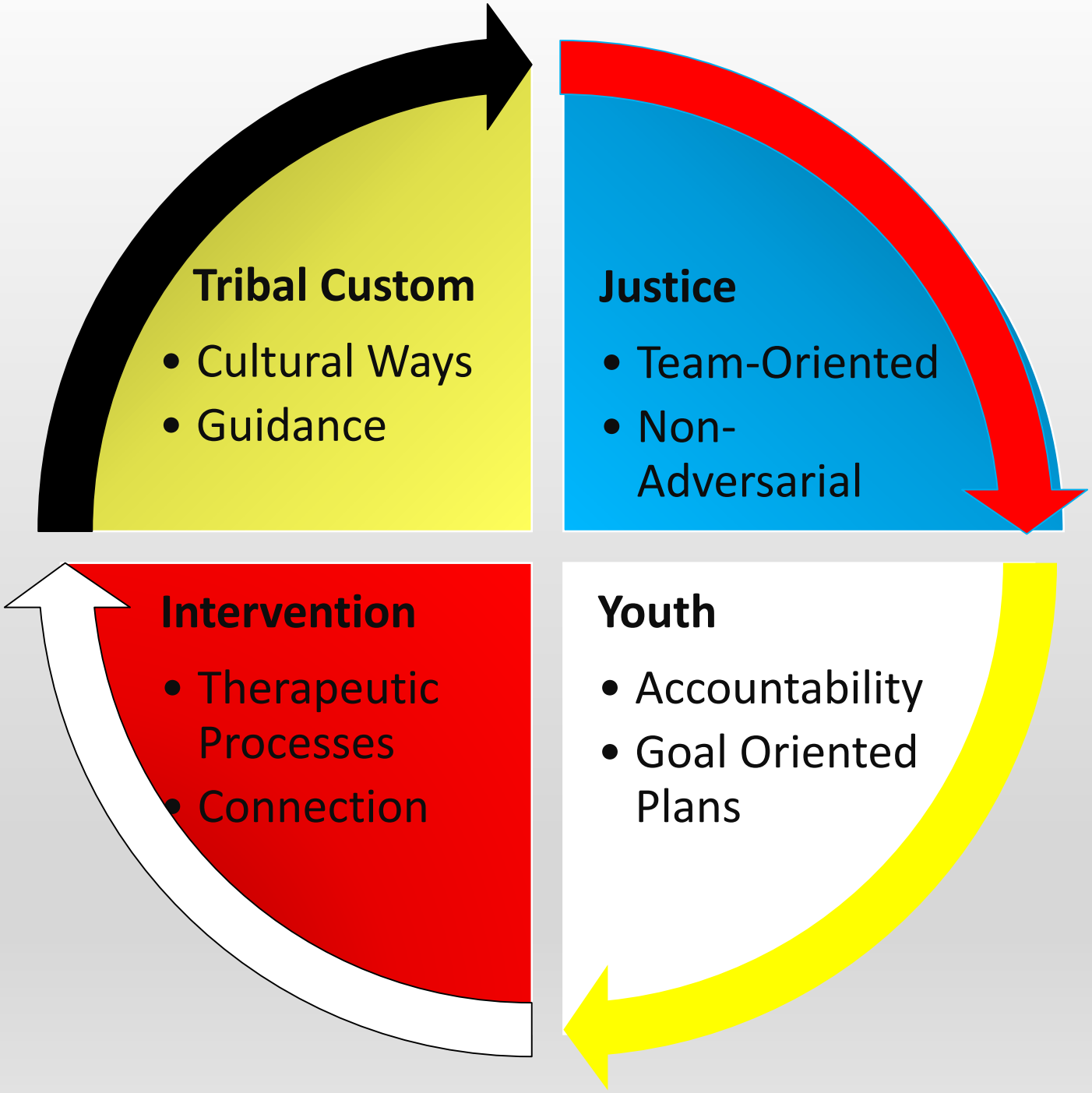
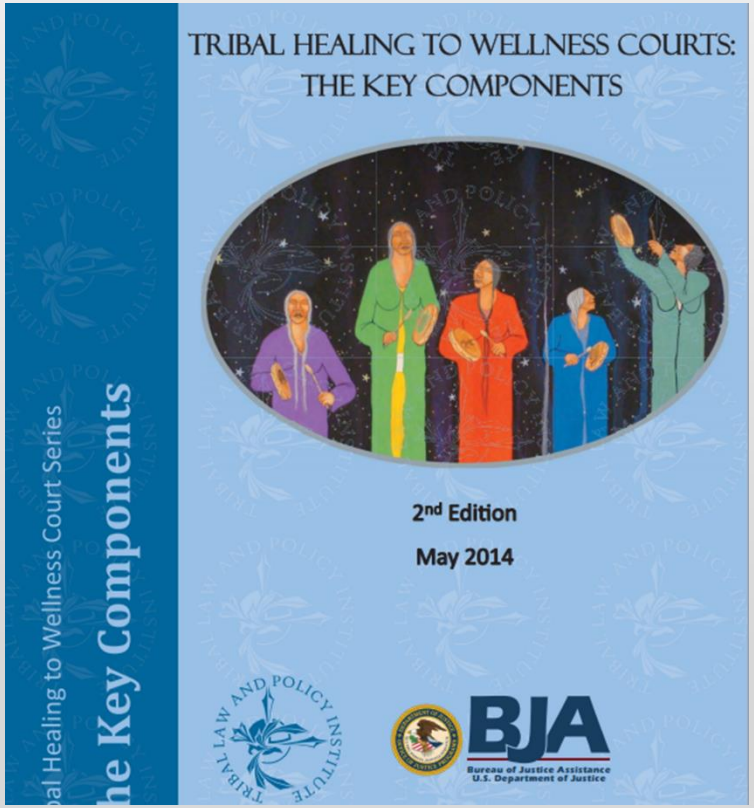
Tribal Youth Resource Center

FY 2018 Cohort Strategic Planning Meeting

Developing and Strengthening the Juvenile Healing to Wellness Court


Tribal Custom
• Cultural Ways
• Guidance
Justice
• Team-Oriented
• Non-Adversarial
Intervention
• Therapeutic Processes
• Connection
Youth
• Accountability
• Goal Oriented Plans

Tribal Key Components



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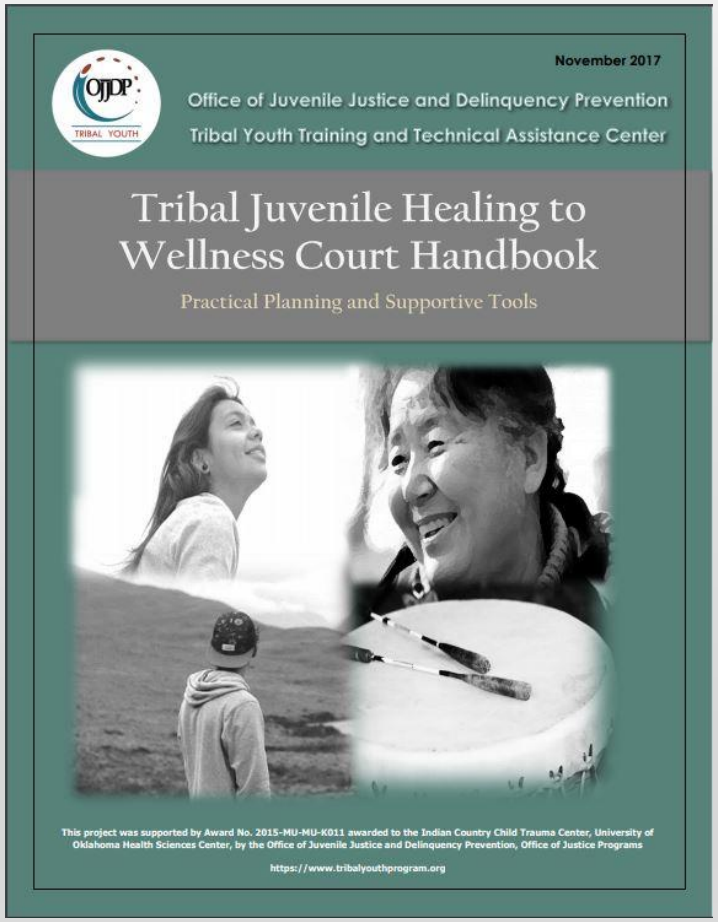
Tribal Key Components recognize:

- Community involvement
- Family relationships and involvement
- Culture and Tradition
- Exercise of Tribal Sovereignty

Tribal JHTWC Handbook



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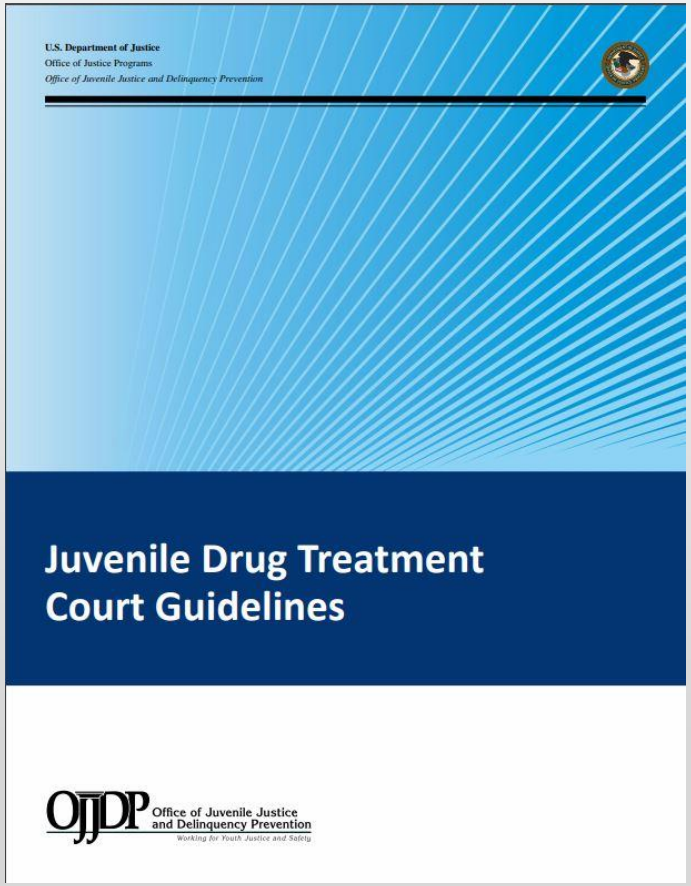
Handbook is designed to support newly developing and established Juvenile Healing to Wellness Courts.

Sections are designed to support teams that are:

- Planning a JHTWC
- Implementing a JHTWC
- Enhancing a JHTWC

Juvenile Drug Treatment Court Guidelines



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7 Objectives focus on:

- Multidisciplinary team
- Treatment
- Collaboration
- Assessments
- Case Management
- Referral to services
- Monitoring and tracking outcomes.

1. Team, Community, & Nation Building

2. Entry

3. Eligibility

4. Healing and Treatment

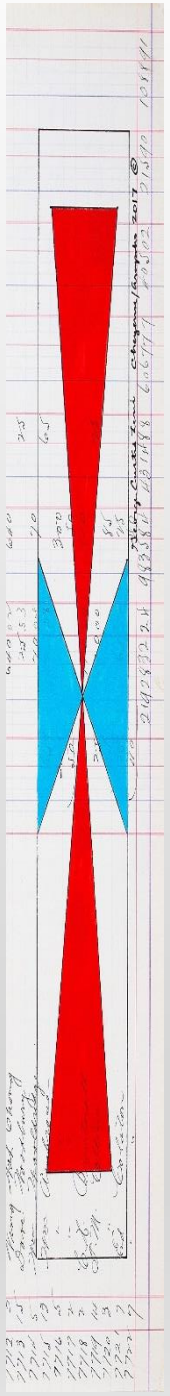
5. Support & Supervision

6. Discipline & Encouragement

7. Respectful Communication

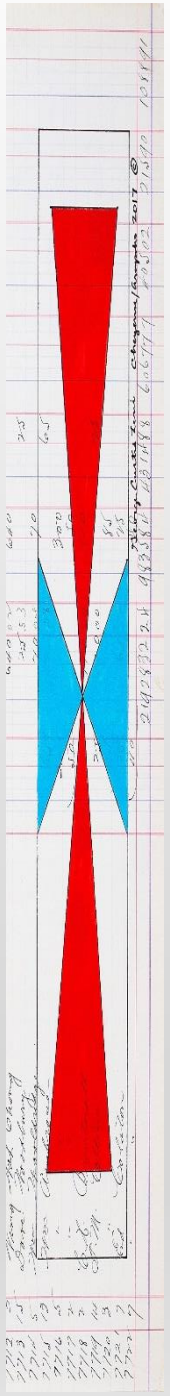
9. Enduring Knowledge & Experience

10. Sustained Team, Community, & Nation Building



Key Component 1: Individual and Healing Focus

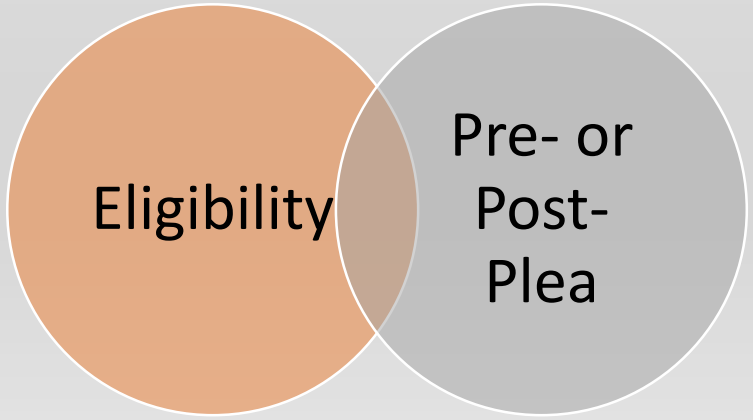
Brings together treatment, healing resources, and the tribal justice process by using a team approach to achieve the healing of the participant and to promote Native nation building and the well-being of the community.



Key Component 2: Referral Points and Legal Process

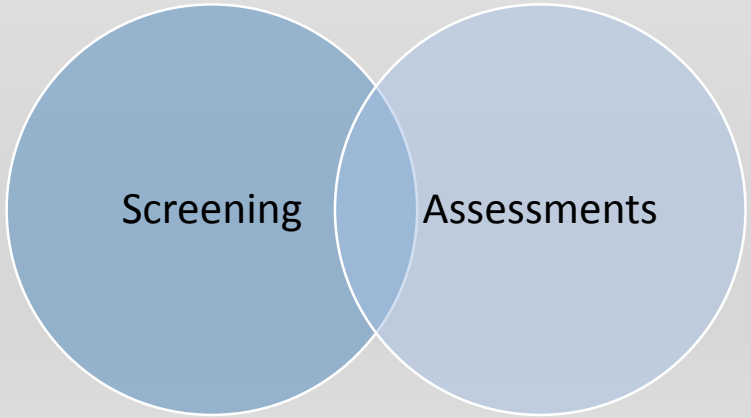
Participants enter Wellness Court through various referral points and legal processes that promote tribal sovereignty and the participant's due (fair) process rights.

- Pre-Charge
- Post-Plea
- Post-conviction
- Transfer from another jurisdiction
- Civil Dependency Case



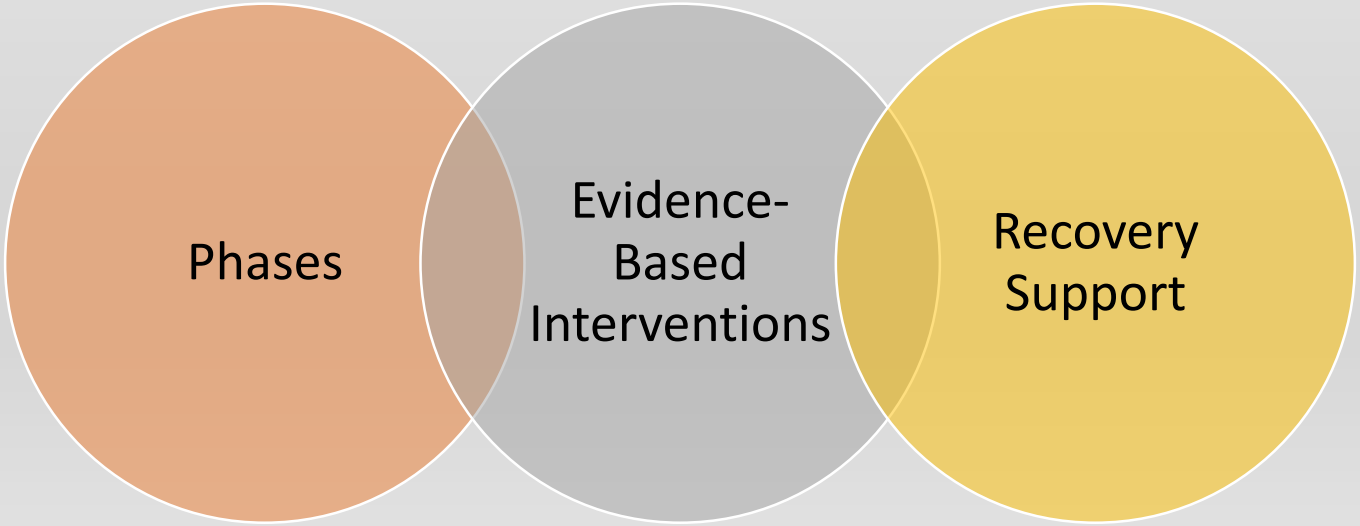
Key Component 3: Screening and Eligibility

Eligible court-involved substance-abusing candidates are identified early through legal and clinical screening for eligibility and are promptly placed into the Wellness Court.



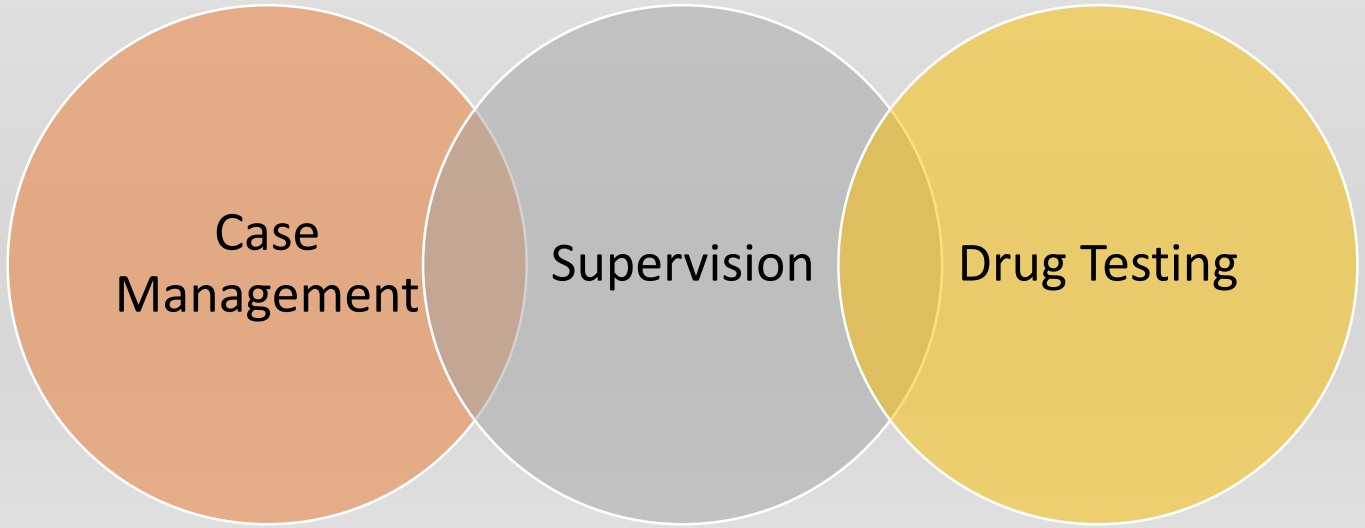
Key Component 4: Treatment and Rehabilitation

Wellness Court provides access to holistic, structured, and phased alcohol and drug abuse treatment and rehabilitation services that incorporate culture and tradition.



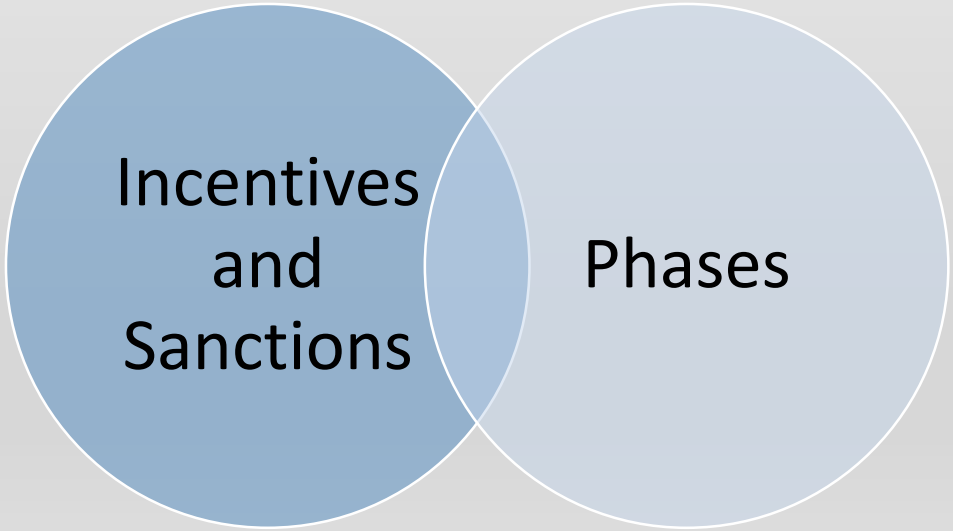
Key Component 5: Intensive Supervision

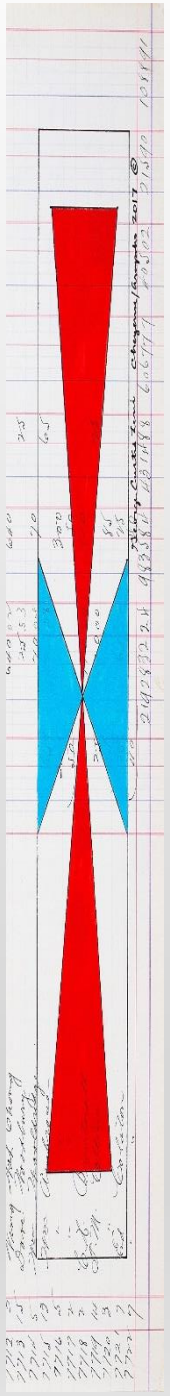
Participants are monitored through intensive supervision that includes frequent and random drug testing, while participants and their families benefit from effective team-based case management.



Key Component 6: Incentives and Sanctions

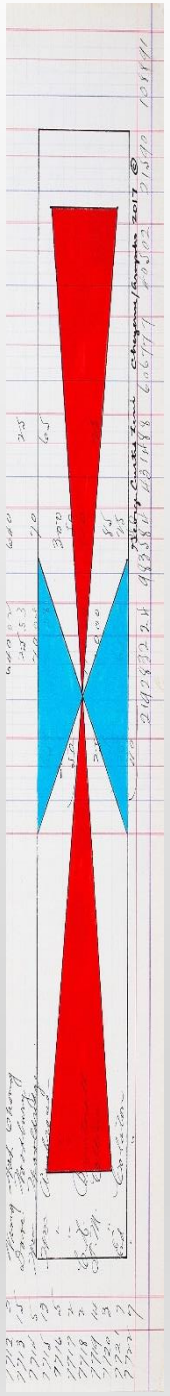
Progressive incentives and sanctions are used to encourage participant compliance with Wellness Court requirements.





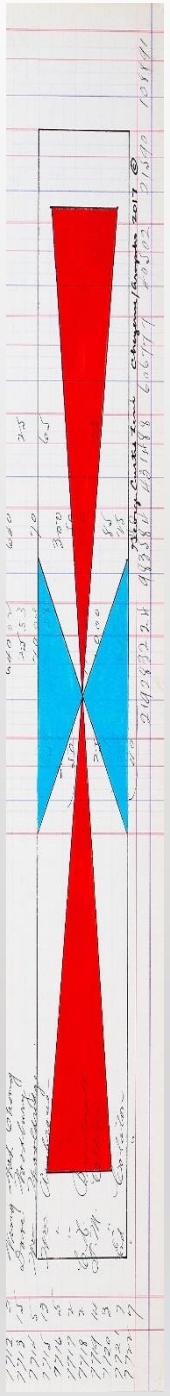
Key Component 7: Judicial Interaction

The Wellness Court Judge should have ongoing involvement with the team and with each participant.



Key Component 8: Monitoring and Evaluation

Process measurement, performance measurement, and evaluation are tools used to monitor and evaluate the achievement of program goals, identify needed improvements, determined participant progress, and provide information to outside agencies.



Key Component 9: Continuing Interdisciplinary and Community Education

Continuing interdisciplinary and community education promote effective planning, implementation, and operation.

Team members should attend training at least on an annual basis, for an update on

- Substance abuse and mental health treatment
- Complementary treatment and social services
- Behavior modification
- Community supervision
- Drug and alcohol testing
- Team decision making
- Constitutional and legal issues

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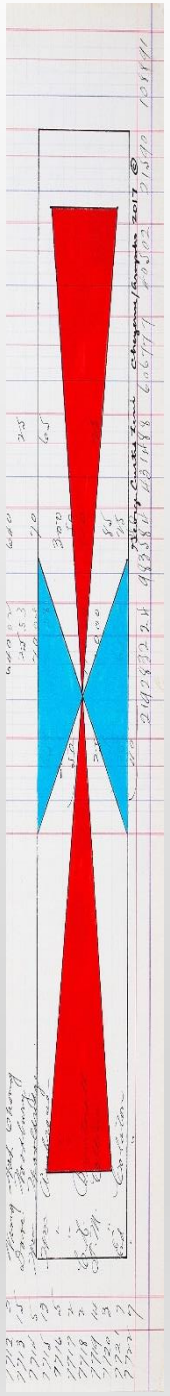
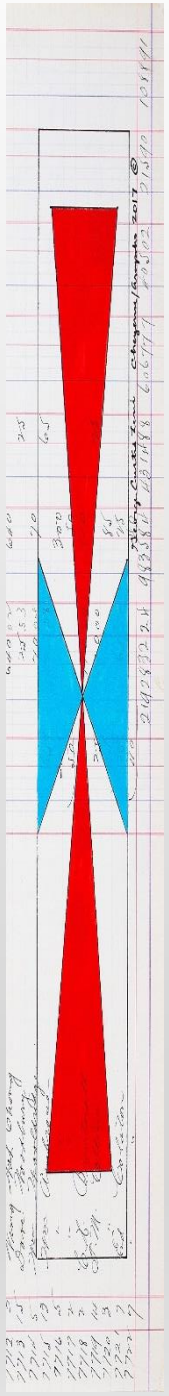


Key Component 10: Team Interaction

The Wellness Court should continue to develop and maintain ongoing commitments, communication, coordination, and cooperation among team members, service providers, and the community.



Online Training Resources

- **Tribal Healing to Wellness Courts**
  www.WellnessCourts.org
- **Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention**
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- **Center for Court Innovation**
  www.DrugCourtOnline.org
- **National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges**
  www.NCJFCJ.org

Questions?

Thank you for your participation

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