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Specialty Courts
*Serving Banks, Barrow
and Jackson Counties*

Specialty Court Overview

1. The participant will be seen at home or anywhere deemed necessary by law enforcement. These will be unannounced visits and they are necessary to ensure the participant's compliance with the terms and conditions of Specialty Court.
2. While in the program, the participant will be placed under a curfew. The participant must adhere to the designated curfew unless the participant is involved in an emergency or has prior approval from the Specialty Court Team. The curfews are as follows:
 - a. **Phase 1- 8:00 p.m. – 6:00 a.m.**
 - b. **Phase 2- 9:00 p.m. – 6:00 a.m.**
 - c. **Phase 3- 10:00 p.m. – 6:00 a.m.**
 - d. **Phase 4- 11:00 p.m. – 6:00 a.m.**
 - e. **Phase 5- 12:00 a.m. – 6:00 a.m.**
3. If the participant is on probation, they will be expected to comply with all of the terms and conditions of Probation in addition to all terms and conditions of Specialty Court.
4. The participant will be rewarded for positive progress while in Specialty Court as deemed appropriate by the Specialty Court Team.
5. Disciplinary action will be taken for any non-compliance with the terms and conditions of Specialty Court as deemed appropriate by the Specialty Court Team.
6. Absolutely no illegal drugs or alcohol consumption will be tolerated while the participant is in the Specialty Court program. In addition, the participant may not reside in a residence in which alcohol or drugs are located. If alcohol or drugs are found to be in the participant's residence, this will be considered a violation of Specialty Court and the participant will be sanctioned accordingly.
7. The participant may not possess any firearms, weapons, instruments of crime, or contraband and shall not reside in a residence where these items are located.
8. The participant may not change his/her residence without prior consent from the Specialty Court Team.
9. As a participant in the Specialty Court, he/she knowingly and voluntarily waives his/her Fourth Amendment Rights. As such, the participant has agreed to submit to a search of his/her person, residence, papers and/or effects, 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 Specialty Court Staff/Treatment Provider upon reasonable and articulable suspicion to believe that the participant is in violation of his/her probation (if applicable), one or more of the conditions of Specialty Court, or the law.
10. The Specialty Court reserves the right to revoke approval of the residence at any point of the participant's involvement in the program in the event that a law enforcement officer or other team member observes obviously dangerous conditions at the residence, or any other conditions which would prevent the participant's successful completion of the Specialty Court program.

11. Any animals at the residence should be kept in a manner which will not prohibit law enforcement in the lawful discharge of their duties. Every effort should be made to keep animals that could be presumed as aggressive in areas of the home/yard that will not hinder law enforcement in conducting home visits.
12. As a participant in the Specialty Court, you must report any and all emergencies as they are occurring to the Emergency Cell phone at 678-227-9288. This may include, car issues, home life emergencies, new arrests and emergency medical emergencies. Failure to comply with this rule will be a violation and can lead to consequences in court.
13. Family support is beneficial in ensuring that the participant successfully completes Specialty Court. While not mandatory, the Specialty Court Team encourages family members to attend Family Counseling and/or Individual Counseling while the participant is in the program. Family members who are interested in attending counseling sessions may contact the following treatment providers:

For Barrow County Specialty Court Participants:

Mike McDonald

Project ADAM

770-867-9003

For Jackson County Specialty Court Participants:

Terri Weimorts

Advantage Behavioral Health Systems

706-367-5258

I, the undersigned, have read or had read to me the above information and understand the Specialty Court Overview. I also acknowledge that I have been given a copy of the above information to keep for my own records.

Law Enforcement Officer

Defendant

Primary Family Support Member

Date

Date

Relationship to Defendant

Date