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Upcoming Events You Don't Want to Miss!

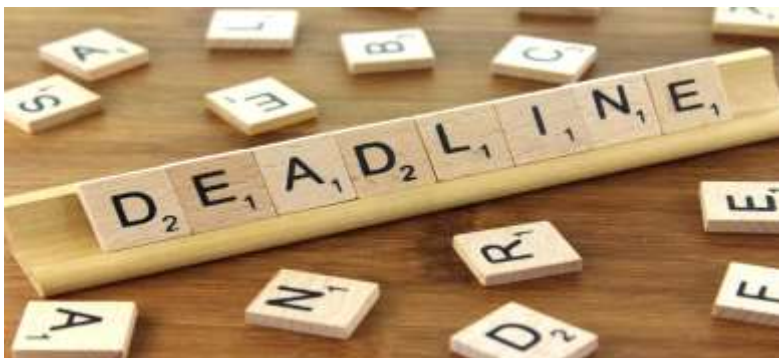
Virtual Office Hours – Treatment Services

The Treatment Services Manager, Tara Zellous, will answer your treatment questions during a Q&A session during virtual office hours on Wednesday, December 7 from 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. **Be sure to register for virtual office hours [here](#) and submit your questions about treatment in advance [here](#).** All team members are invited to attend the virtual office hours session.



Certification Season Deadline is Approaching

Certification season opened on November 1 primarily for DUI Courts and Family Treatment Courts; however, some other courts may need to recertify. Please refer to your most recent certification letter or [contact the CACJ Certification Team](#) for assistance. Be sure to submit your certification materials early to ensure time for staff review and constructive feedback. **Certification applications are due December 30, 2022.**



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Funding Opportunities

Two funding opportunities are expected to open January 9, 2023. Additional information will be provided as the solicitation release date approaches.

- FY23 Emergency Grant
- FY23 Technology & Equipment Grant

The FY24 Accountability Court Operating Grant will be released on February 1, 2023.



Conasauga Drug Court Wins Recovery Chili Cookoff

Several local agencies that provide services to the recovery community joined together on Friday, November 4 to celebrate recovery in our community on the Dalton Green in a friendly chili cookoff between the agencies. A total of 12 agencies entered the 13th annual Recovery Chili Cookoff where they served chili to the community free of charge. The judges for the chili cookoff included Whitfield County Sheriff Scott Chitwood, Murray County Sheriff Jimmy Davenport, and Assistant District Attorney Walt Eddy. Also, reporting for chili guard duty to serve the chili to the judges were Sgt. Shawn Giles and Deputy Jeff Fields, both Whitfield County Sheriff's Office.

The Conasauga Drug Court Treatment Program won first place overall, and Carter Hope won the award for People's Choice. Each of the agencies also decorated their tents, and Public Defender Amanda McCoy judged this category, handing out first, second, and third place ribbons. First place went to City View Church of God Overcomer's Outreach with Dave Mathis accepting the award. Wanda Mack accepted the second-place award for Day Reporting Center and Any Path to Recovery, while third place went to Providence Women's Recovery with Cyndy Barton accepting. Door prizes were also handed out, and guest speaker Chuck Smith, with Carter Hope, shared his experience, strength, and hope in celebrating 35 years of recovery. Brian Croft was the master of ceremony, and Scott Young opened the event with prayer.

Partners included Overcomers Outreach, Carter Hope Center, Celebrate Recovery – Liberty, Conasauga Drug Court, Any Path to Recovery, Celebrate Recovery – City of Refuge, City View Church of God, A Place Called Hope, Northwest Day Reporting Center, United Site Service – Porta Potty Rentals, Providence Ministries, and Innervention.

Written by Mitch Talley, Whitfield County Director of Communications

Fulton County Courts Join with Shatterproof for Annual 5K Walk

On Saturday, November 5, the Fulton County Court team laced up their sneakers and participated in the *Shatterproof Rise Up Against Addiction 5K Walk* at Piedmont Park in Atlanta. This was their third year of in-person participation after COVID moved the walk virtual for the last two years! With the support of program staff, program participants, judges, and all the justice partners, Fulton County was once again one of the largest teams participating. The event allowed participants to engage in a fun, sober, prosocial activity with staff and their judges, as well as other community partners and team members. A huge shout-out goes to Kristina Weaver, court reporter for Judge Ural Glanville, who was the number one fundraiser for the event!

Submitted by John Collins, Fulton County Accountability Court Director



Hall County Drug Court Graduation

On November 17, the Hall County Drug Court held its 118th commencement ceremony with the Honorable Judges Jason Deal and Clint Bearden. In celebration of National Gratitude Month, the keynote speaker was former Drug Court graduate and current Certified Peer Specialist Katie Dunagan. Ms. Dunagan shared how her graduation was truly the start of her recovery journey and that gratitude and engagement in the recovery community has allowed her to further her success. She stated, "I want others to know that staying connected to the recovery community is important after graduation. Be around people who have what you want."

The team celebrated a total of five graduates along with their families and friends. Judge Bearden and Judge Deal spoke on what led each graduate to Drug Court and their accomplishments while in the program. The graduates were given an opportunity to share their stories and what they have learned throughout their time in Drug Court.

District Attorney Lee Darragh closed the ceremony by stating how proud he was of each of the graduates and that their journey through Drug Court is incredibly rewarding to not only the staff but those in the community striving for growth.

For the team, commencement ceremonies hold a special place in our hearts. They are a symbol of growth and a time to celebrate the many achievements of our participants.

Submitted by Brittany Currans, Hall County Drug Court Coordinator



DeKalb County Hosts Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

The DeKalb County Superior Court Judges hosted a ribbon cutting ceremony on November 2 for their Accountability Courts Administrative Offices. The celebration commemorates the 20th anniversary of the DeKalb County Accountability Courts (DCAC). In July 2002, the DeKalb County Drug Court was formed, and since its inception, the County now has a Wellness Court (2016), as well as a Veterans Treatment Court (2016). The DeKalb County Accountability Courts is regarded as a national and regional leader for its innovative services, use of evidence-based treatment practices, and outcomes. Its vision is to inspire a healthy way of living by teaching patience and consistency by providing structure and support for recovery, while the mission is to support recovery, restore communities, and provide skills to encourage participants to be productive and responsible members of society. To date, the programs have enrolled more than 800 participants and graduated 376. The DeKalb County Accountability Courts have the full support of the Superior Court Bench. Presently, four Judges preside over the Drug Court: Honorable Tangela M. Barrie, Honorable Stacey K. Hydrick, Honorable LaTisha Dear Jackson, and Honorable Courtney L. Johnson. The Honorable Chief Judge Asha F. Jackson and Honorable Shondeana C. Morris preside over the Felony Wellness Court Program. The Honorable Mark Anthony Scott and Honorable Yolanda Parker-Smith preside over the Veterans Treatment Court. Several people were in attendance including Chief Executive Officer Michael Thurmond, U.S. Representative Nikema Williams, Commissioner Larry Johnson, Commissioner Jeff Rader, Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, Sherriff Melody Maddox, Clerk of Superior Court Debra DeBerry, and a host of other community organizations that work closely with the accountability court programs.

Submitted by Lasheika Kassa, DeKalb County Accountability Courts Director



Paulding County Mental Health Court Holds 6th Graduation and Introduces Genetic Testing for Medication Management

Under the direction of Judge Angela Woodall, the Paulding County Mental Health Accountability Court held its 6th graduation ceremony at the Paulding County Courthouse the last week of November. Pastor Nick Keller from Pleasant Grove Baptist Church performed the invocation. Mental Health Court is an 18-month rehabilitation program for justice involved citizens experiencing mental health issues. Participants enter the program voluntarily, usually in lieu of serving time in custody, thus saving the taxpayers thousands of dollars per participant each year. Participants attend several evidence-based group treatment classes and an individual therapy session each week. They are subject to random substance use testing and must abide by a strict curfew. Participants must also be employed while in the program. During the graduation ceremony, the keynote speaker, Morgan Baker P.A., announced her partnership with the program as their medication manager. She provides each participant with a genetic test which may help to determine their optimal mental health medication and dosage. The test she uses is called GeneSight.

GeneSight Psychotropic is a pharmacogenomic test which means that it analyzes how your genes may affect medication outcomes. The GeneSight test analyzes clinically important genetic variations in your DNA. Results can inform your doctor about how you may break down or respond to certain medications commonly prescribed to treat depression, anxiety, ADHD, and other psychiatric conditions. The GeneSight test must be ordered by your doctor or nurse practitioner. The test is a simple cheek swab taken in your healthcare provider's office or can be sent by your doctor to be taken in the convenience of your home. <https://genesight.com/>

Submitted by Lauren Ortiz, Paulding County Mental Health Court Coordinator



Ocmulgee Judicial Circuit's North Family Treatment Court is hosting a graduation ceremony on December 19, 2022 from 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. at Grace Fellowship Baptist Church located at 1971 South Main Street, Greensboro, GA 30642. Please RSVP to Marqueta Stanton at mstanton@eighthdistrict.org by December 9 if you plan to attend.

Model Courts Feature

The goal of Georgia's Accountability Court Model Court program is to recognize the great work of accountability courts across the state, as well as identify strong programs that may serve as mentors for other courts. Programs identified as Model Courts are those that have met and exceeded adherence to Georgia's Standards as dictated by strong performance on certification and peer review processes. To recognize the talent and expertise of the accountability court community, each month CACJ will recognize a model court or two and their work in the substance use and mental health fields.

Hall County Family Treatment Court Model Family Treatment Court (2022-2025)



Hall County Family Treatment Court Team Members

Judge – Honorable Alison Toller
Coordinator – Marisa Sullens
Case Manager – Jessica Simmons
Case Manager/Counselor – Jodi Bell
Parent Attorneys – Hal Walker, Kit Devine
Child Attorney – Thereasa Rinderknect
SAAG – Bart Patterson
CASA Supervisor – Ariel Donaldson
Community Policing Officer – Bob Watterson
Treatment Provider – Patti Smith
DFCS Foster Care Case Managers – Lisa Sexton,
Brittany Dasher
DFCS Family Preservation Workers – Kyle Lamber,
Keo Carter
Prosecutor – Stephanie Thompson

Court Type: Family Treatment Court

Presiding Judge: The Honorable Alison W. Toller has presided over the court program since 2015.

Coordinator: Marisa Sullens has served as Coordinator since 2010.

Program Inception Date: October 2006

Number of Graduates to Date: 163

Current Program Census: 61

Innovative Practices/Unique Programming:

Ms. Sullens: "We are proud to be participating in a pilot project through a grant with Georgia State University. Two of our treatment providers have been trained in CBI-F which is the Cognitive Behavioral Interventions for Families. There are only three circuits in the state providing the curriculum so we are looking forward to seeing how the new curriculum affects our outcomes. We also have two amazing case managers on staff with Family Treatment Court who provide intensive case management services to all our participants, and this has proven to be effective in helping our parents achieve reunification with their children. We are also partnering with the Georgia Council on Substance Abuse who have peer coaches stationed in the hospital and can provide peer services to any of our participants who are pregnant. We hope this practice improves our outcomes, as well."

Why does the judge choose to preside over the accountability court?

Judge Toller: “There are so many reasons! First of all, the treatment we provide is the gold standard and gives participants much more than what they would receive through regular referrals. The curriculum gets to the heart of why people use and provides other skills to implement instead of using substances. It also offers hands-on parenting rather than the traditional parenting class. I love the ability to hear from participants every session about what they are learning and how they are implementing those skills. The success rate of FTC is much higher than our traditional caseload, and we have the ability to have the children home with the parent before closing the case and finishing FTC to make sure that everyone is doing well. The longer program also gives parents the ability to maintain that longer term sobriety which leads to continued success. The best part, though, is the long-term impact we have on the community. I still see graduates and families who are maintaining sobriety and leading others in recovery years after graduation.

What does the judge hope to accomplish as a model court?

Judge Toller: “I hope that our team and court can continue to serve as a sounding board/mentor to any other court that needs it and that we can continue to feed off each other, learning from each other’s successes.”

What is the coordinator most proud of in terms of the program’s success? What does she hope to accomplish as a model court?

Ms. Sullens: “I am most proud of our work with families to achieve reunification. We have been able to grow and accommodate the growing needs of the parents of Hall County to help bring children home and get them out of foster care. With our referral process, we have been able to avoid foster care in some circumstances which is better for the family overall. I am so proud of my case managers who I watch work tirelessly on providing services to the families, and I truly believe this helps our parents achieve permanency with their children. A lot of time and energy go into each parent to prepare them for reuniting with their children, and I could not be prouder of the work that the case managers provide. As a model court, I hope to help offer advice to other programs who are struggling with a low program census. I feel that our program has grown tremendously in this area and believe we can offer help to those struggling in this area.”

What is something you wish you had known at program inception that you hope to impart to newer courts?

Ms. Sullens: “It’s ok for this to be an evolving process. It’s ok to change. We have added and deleted curriculum and added some back. We have changed policies and sanctions as we’ve learned. The trick is to maintain a great team and make those changes after a full discussion by all, at a planning session, and not during weekly court reviews based on particular scenarios.



**Henry County Resource Court
Model Mental Health Court
(2021-2024)**



Henry County Resource Court Team Members

Judge – Honorable William P. Bartles

Case Manager – Kevin Williams

Assistant Solicitor General – Jeff Upchurch

Assistant Public Defender – Rochelle Gordon, Makia Jenkins (misdemeanors)

DCS Community Supervision Officer – Sashona Johnson

Law Enforcement Officers – Sgt. Felicia Barner, Cpl. Marcus Warren, Deputy Donald Gilmer

Peer Certified Group Facilitators – Tabitha Espinosa, Cha Hong, Erin Witham

Coordinator – Craig Ogilvie

Assistant District Attorney – Elicia Hargrove

Clinician – Donna McDonald

Court Type: Mental Health Court

Presiding Judge: The Honorable William P. Bartles

Coordinator: Craig Ogilvie has been the Coordinator for seven years.

Program Inception Date: December 2008

Number of Graduates to Date: 82

Current Program Census: 15

Recidivism Rate: 20%

Innovative Practices/Unique Programming:

Mr. Ogilvie: “We utilize former graduates as peer support certified in group facilitation such as MRT, Prime Solutions, T4C, and Seeking Safety. This is an excellent way to keep graduates engaged and creates buy-in from participants seeing that those who fully understand the place in life they’re currently experiencing.”

Why does the judge choose to preside over the accountability court?

Judge Bartles: “I considered it an honor and privilege over 10 years ago to be asked by our State and Superior Court benches to consider serving as Judge for Henry County’s felony/misdemeanor mental health accountability court. I accepted the challenge in order to give back to my community and to work with participants and staff in improving outcomes in the criminal justice system by seriously addressing mental health and substance abuse issues. We are honored to be recognized as a Model Court and feel that receiving that accolade helps us ‘sell’ the program to the legal community and to criminal defendants as a worthwhile alternative to more traditional sentencing in our criminal justice system. It also assists us in being able to tap into local funds for much needed budget supplementation.”

What is the coordinator most proud of in terms of the program’s success? What does she hope to accomplish as a model court?

Mr. Ogilvie: “We were able to take a small laser-focused model of treating the justice-involved mentally ill persons where the treatment was primarily within the scope of an Assertive Community Treatment (ACT) team approach to a broadened treatment modality that enabled so many participants who were not afforded the opportunity to incorporate learned skills, job and/or GED acquisition and overall community re-engagement through Evidenced-Based treatment and broadened case management. Now we operate truer to the purpose of an Accountability Court and, as a result, nearly 100 percent of our participants have employment and are sustained by their own efforts-not the community’s. As a Model Court, I hope to be able to support other courts in reaching their goals through similar methods and our own metamorphosis and to considerably reduce our jail population, of which 25% have a mental health diagnosis.”

What is something you wish you had known at program inception that you hope to impart to newer courts?

Judge Bartles: “As Judge, I would like to share with newly formed mental health accountability courts how helpful CACJ staff, as well as staff and Judges of established accountability courts, make themselves available by phone and/or email to offer advice and assistance that is invariably needed when starting a new program.

Mr. Ogilvie: “Also, as Coordinator, that mental illness does not equate to inability or lack of accountability. The participants in this program always rise to the level that has been set before them, and we can’t be afraid to raise that bar.”

Anything else you wish to include?

Judge Bartles: “As a Judge, one can never underestimate the value of a dedicated and knowledgeable staff and review team. The fact that our dedicated and knowledgeable staff and team also get along and respect differences of opinion on the tough issues we frequently have to address is why I fail to tell them often enough that they are the BEST staff and team of all accountability courts in Georgia.

Mr. Ogilvie: “As a Coordinator, I have not yet come to work thinking or feeling like it is just another monotonous day at the office. To see the human story transform before our eyes and health and happiness restored to another person and family is a great reward that I cherish at each graduation.”



CACJ Welcomes a New Member to the Team!



Ms. Sherna Tolbert joined the Council of Accountability Court Judges' staff in November 2022 as the Treatment Fidelity Program Monitor.

Ms. Tolbert obtained her Bachelor of Arts Degree in Sociology with a focus on health and mental health from Georgia State University and earned a Master of Social Work degree from Clark Atlanta University. She has over 10 years of experience in social services with eight of those years being in child protection and advocacy where she had the opportunity to work closely with the judges and attorneys of the Ocmulgee Circuit. Ms. Tolbert also holds a Certification in School Social Work and is a member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

With her background in social work, Ms. Tolbert has always been interested in non-traditional social work roles. She said she loves the role and skills she's learned as a social worker, but her desire has always been to think outside the box of traditional social work roles and use what she knows to enhance her skills in other areas. In addition to knowledge in child protection and advocacy, she gained monitoring skills in past roles and was eager to apply her knowledge in a completely different area of work. When she saw the Treatment Fidelity Program Monitor position, she thought, "This sounds very similar to the work I've done before."

Ms. Tolbert has worked in multiple roles including foster care, behavioral health, utilization management, individual/group therapy, and, most recently, risk management where she monitored and assessed risks related to RBWO (Room, Board and Watchful Oversight) standards/policies put in place for state-funded foster homes and group homes. In this role, she provided detailed reports that summarized areas of improvement, along with areas where policy compliance was compromised. This experience, along with the skillset she developed in previous roles, makes her a good fit to the Treatment Fidelity Program. In working with CACJ, Ms. Tolbert said, "In any position I hold, my hope is to become an expert in the work that I do. For me, this includes being confident in judgement, proficient in my documentation, and strategic in the support I will be providing to the courts."

In joining the CACJ team, Ms. Tolbert said, "I am most excited about networking with the many people I will have the opportunity to meet and soaking up as much knowledge as I can. I love to learn. I know that may sound cliché, but I do enjoy being able to say, 'I learned something new today'. I am very excited for this new career chapter, and I look forward to thriving in this position."

Please join the CACJ in welcoming Sherna Tolbert to the team!

January 2023 Newsletter Submissions

Please send submissions for the January 2023 newsletter to Debbie Mott (Debbie.Mott@GeorgiaCourts.gov) by Thursday, December 29. If you plan to include a photo where participants can be identified, please be sure to send a signed photo consent with your submission.

Georgia Accountability Courts Career Opportunities

Please see the Career Opportunities tab (under About Us) on the CACJ website for information about these job postings:

- *CACJ Treatment Fidelity Program Monitor
- *Cordele Circuit Drug Court Case Manager
- *DeKalb County Wellness Court Counselor
- *DeKalb County Clinical Coordinator
- *Floyd County Case Manager
- *Forsyth County Contract Counselors

- *Cherokee Circuit Mental Health Counselor
- *DeKalb County Lab Technician
- *DeKalb County Misdemeanor Mental Health Court Social Worker
- *DeKalb County DUI Court Treatment Coordinator
- *Floyd County Drug Court Counselor
- *Forsyth County Contract Defense Attorney

- *Forsyth County Accountability Courts Case Manager
- *Fulton County DUI Court Associate Licensed Clinician
- *Fulton County Compliance Coordinator
- *Fulton County Behavioral Health Clinician II
- *Griffin Circuit Contract Counselors
- *Glynn County Lead Clinical Director
- *Hall County Drug Court Counselor
- *Henry County Behavioral Health Clinician



- *Hall County Drug Court Coordinator
- *Henry County Case Manager
- *Rockdale County CBI SA Group Facilitator

Training Opportunities

The Council of Accountability Court Judges is pleased to share the following training opportunities for Judges and Coordinators:

[The Law of Accountability Courts in Georgia: An Overview of Georgia Appellate Legal Authority and Best Practice Recommendations Webinar](#)

December 14, 2022

11:30am-1:00pm

Virtual

**** CLE Approval is Pending****

[Accountability Court Judges' Refresher Training](#)

February 27, 2023

9:00am-4:00pm

In-Person

Agenda Topics Include:

Pitfalls and Ethical Considerations

Certification, Data Collection, & Peer Review

CACJ Rules & Refresher of the Law of Accountability Courts

Court Staffing & Session Structure

**** CJE Approval is Pending****

Accountability Court Winter Forum for Judges and Coordinators

February 28, 2023

9:00am-4:00pm

In-Person

Agenda Topics Include:

Common Errors in Accountability Court Grant Management

Accountability Court Workflow Training

A Discussion About Predatory Treatment Practices in Accountability Courts

Accountability Court Data Resources

Burning Issues Breakout Discussion

Accountability Court Winter Forum for Judges and Coordinators

May 9, 2023

8:00am-5:00pm

The Council of Accountability Court Judges has implemented a new training opportunity designed for *experienced* accountability court treatment providers.

The training is open to accountability court treatment providers with 36 months or more experience in their current role.

Space is limited, the training is open to 50 treatment providers and will end March 3 or **when the class is full**.

Please email the contact listed below if there are immediate questions about the event or registration eligibility.

CACJ is an approved NAADAC and NBCC provider (Continuing Education Provider).

CACJ will provide specific training venue and CACJ provided hotel accommodations during attendance confirmation. Attendees can seek reimbursement for non-provided meals and mileage.

Who is eligible to attend: *Treatment Providers: *Licensed Professional Counselors, Licensed Clinical Social Workers, Licensed Marriage and family Therapists, Associate Professional Counselors, Licensed Master's Social Workers, Associate Marriage and Family Therapists, Master Addiction Counselors, Certified Addiction Counselors, and certified group facilitators.*



Accountability Court Coordinator Certification Program Expansion

The Council of Accountability Court Judges (CACJ) and the Carl Vinson Institute of Government are pleased to provide at no cost to state-funded and/or certified accountability court programs the Accountability Court Coordinator Certification program.

The objectives of this program are to increase the knowledge of the primary administrative functions of accountability court coordinators, develop the skills necessary to carry out the administrative functions as an accountability court coordinator, develop and maintain the high standards for the functioning of the accountability courts, and increase the professionalism of accountability court coordinators.

Starting December 2022, CACJ will open the Accountability Court Coordinator Certification Program to additional team member roles. The program is a professional development opportunity for accountability court team members including, treatment providers, case managers, probation, etc. who are interested in completing the certification program. CACJ will accept applications for the third program cohort from December 1 – 30, 2022. Selected participants will be contacted by CACJ no later than January 20, 2023.

Please note, there are a limited amount of space available.

Applications for the Accountability Court Coordinator Certification program are due Friday, December 30, 2022, at 5:00 pm.



Accountability Court Coordinator Certification Courses

- Accountability and Advocacy
- Communication
- Conflict Resolution
- Grant Administration
- Procurement and Contract Management
- Succession Planning and Delegation

Accountability Court Coordinator Support Courses

- Financial Concepts
- Grant Administration
- Procurement and Contract Management

Asynchronous course participants will have 90 days from course enrollment to complete the course.

For additional information about the program expansion, please email Kimberly Howard.

Eligibility requirements

- Minimum 18 months of employment within a certified and CACJ-funded accountability court.
- Provide direct support to a certified and CACJ-funded accountability court. Examples include county finance personnel, administration support, etc.
- Interest in the skill set and knowledge needed for an accountability court coordinator position.

Participants in this program have one of two options to participate in the program and/or achieve certification.

- The **first option**, Accountability Court Coordinator Certification, requires the participant to complete all courses in the program, the 3 asynchronous (online) delivery courses and 5 in-person classroom or interactive virtual instruction courses.
- The **second option**, Accountability Court Coordinator Support Training, is designed for participants not interested in receiving the certification, but only interested in the 3 asynchronous (online) delivery courses.

How To Apply

Complete and submit the [electronic application form](#).

To complete the electronic application form, please ensure you have the following:

- Provide a statement of interest indicating why you wish to participate in the program and include the knowledge or skills you want to obtain.
- Provide a letter of recommendation (required for the first option ONLY– Accountability Court Coordinator Certification).



- ❖ What exactly is evidence-based treatment/curricula?
- ❖ How do I make sure I am adhering to the fidelity of the evidence-based model?
- ❖ What about process groups?
- ❖ Evidence-based journaling?

Virtual Office Hours



Wednesday, December 7th

12:00– 1:30 pm

Please come with your questions
about evidence-based curriculum and treatment
Or ANY treatment question



We are here to help!



The CACJ Mentor Program application window opened November 28, 2022 and will end December 30, 2022. Information for interested participants is found below for each program.

Coordinator Mentor Program

Since 2015 the Council of Accountability Court Judges (CACJ) has supported the accountability courts in Georgia by funding an administrative position within these programs most commonly known as the coordinator. The coordinator serves as the program’s administrator and is responsible for the following: program fidelity, human resources, contracting, maintaining court administrative records, certification, fiscal responsibilities, grant writing and grants management.

The scope of duties associated with the coordinator position are vast and varied. To support this vital position the CACJ is pleased to offer the Coordinator Mentor Program as a form of technical assistance (TA) to the courts. This TA will provide a structured method for an experienced coordinator (mentor) to work closely with a less experienced (or new) coordinator (mentee) to provide one-on-one training and guidance in the area of accountability court administration. CACJ will work to provide a minimum of one mentor coordinator per judicial district.

Case Manager Mentor Program

Since 2015 the Council of Accountability Court Judges (CACJ) has supported the accountability courts in Georgia by funding an administrative position within these programs most known as the case manager. The case manager supports the program’s coordinator and is responsible for the following: monitoring participant compliance, data entry, record keeping, coordinating special projects, and locating community resources.

The scope of duties associated with the case manager position are vast and varied. To support this vital position the CACJ is pleased to offer the Case Manager Mentor Program as a form of technical assistance (TA) to the courts. This TA will provide a structured method for an experienced case manager (mentor) to work closely with a less experienced (or new) case manager (mentee) to provide one-on-one training and guidance in the area of accountability court administration. CACJ will work to provide a minimum of one mentor case manager per judicial circuit.

Additional information can be found on the CACJ website under the Resources tab.