

Frequently Asked Questions Medication-Assisted Treatment (MAT) in Treatment Court Training

What is Medication-Assisted Treatment in treatment court training? The [National Drug Court Institute \(NDCI\)](#), in partnership with the [Office of National Drug Control Policy \(ONDCP\)](#), developed the medication assisted treatment in treatment court training program to increase treatment court understanding and the use of MAT. This training is designed to expand knowledge and incorporate procedures to assist courts with incorporating MAT to improve access.

What are the benefits of attending the MAT training program? Bring your team and expand your knowledge by learning how to serve the diverse populations and needs of the justice-involved populations in your system. Learn tools to collect data, analyze your data and concepts for improving your program outcomes.

How does our jurisdiction apply to participate in the program?

Teams may submit an online application at NDCI.org.

How will applications be selected? Applicants must be operational treatment courts. You will need to have a minimum of three or a maximum of five adult drug court teams to participate in this training in order for us to provide it at no cost. Each team will have to agree to complete the following in order for us to agree to provide the training:

- Together, the team must provide pre-training data.
- Meet scheduled deadlines to provide requested materials
- Complete the online evaluation tool
- Each team must identify a contact person to serve as the liaison between NDCI and their team
- Agree to have ALL core team members (judge, prosecuting attorney, defense attorney, coordinator, probation officer, law enforcement officer, and treatment provider) present during the entirety of the 1-day training.

If your teams can not agree to these conditions, we will be unable to provide the training. If your teams are unable to meet these deadlines it could result in the training being cancelled.

How will jurisdictions be notified? NDCI will send you an email notification of acceptance.

When are, these trainings scheduled? Teams that request training submit to NDCI the dates they would like the training to be held. We recommend submit at least three dates.

Where are, these trainings scheduled? Teams must provide a training site that it is at NO cost to NDCI. The training location must provide a main plenary room and breakout rooms for each team. Please review the information provided in the [meeting room specifications](#) link.

Does the local site need to provide audio visual? NDCI asks the site to provide a screen and projector. If you are unable to provide these items, NDCI will provide them.

Who from each team is required to participate in the MAT training program? To participate in the training, each jurisdiction must identify a minimum of seven individuals representing the following disciplines to form a treatment court planning team:

- Drug court coordinator
- Judge
- Prosecutor
- Defense counsel
- Treatment provider
- Community supervision representative
- Law enforcement

My jurisdiction has been accepted to receive MAT training. Now what? Upon acceptance into the training program, each participating team member must commit to the following:

- Meet scheduled deadlines to provide requested materials
- Identify a contact person to serve as the liaison between NDCI and their team

If additional teams participate, one of the treatment court coordinators must serve as the team point of contact for all coordination activities. The coordinator will ensure all relevant information is disseminated to team members in a timely fashion, respond to requests for information and coordinate with NDCI staff and faculty.

Where will the MAT training take place? NDCI will deliver the onsite training in the applicants' home jurisdiction.

When will the MAT agenda be available? [Click here](#) to view the agenda.

How many days is the onsite training? 1.5 days.

Can additional people attend the training? Yes, additional stakeholders are encouraged to attend the training as long as your site has space to accommodate.

How much does this training cost? There are no direct costs associated with the training for your jurisdiction. However, each jurisdiction is required to furnish a meeting space with a main plenary room and breakout rooms for each team. Local jurisdictions are responsible for their own travel costs. We also recommend that an onsite lunch be provided on the first day.

What meeting space and audio-visual equipment are requested? NDCI requests that the training site have a projector and screen. If unable to provide a projector and screen, this will not preclude your team from receiving the training.

Who do I contact for more information about the MAT Training program?

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