



Veterans Treatment Courts

Veterans treatment courts are governed by the Revised Judicature Act, 1961 PA 236, sections 1200 through 1212. Veterans treatment courts are supervised treatment programs for individuals who are veterans and abuse or are dependent on any controlled substance or alcohol and suffer from a mental illness. Veterans treatment courts incorporate both drug treatment and mental health court principals and closely collaborate with veteran justice outreach liaisons to help identify veterans in need. Goals of veterans treatment courts include successful completion of the program, achieving sobriety, improving quality of life, finding gainful employment, and reducing recidivism. Veterans treatment courts are required to comply with the modified version of the 10 key components of drug treatment courts as promulgated by the Buffalo Veterans Treatment Court.

Veterans Treatment Court Data

<u>Year</u>	<u>Screened Cases</u>	<u>Admitted Cases</u>	<u>Discharged Cases</u>				<u>Total Participants</u>	<u>Percent with SUD³</u>
			<u>Total</u>	<u>Successful</u>	<u>Unsuccessful¹</u>	<u>Other²</u>		
2018	350	266	241	71%	21%	8%	596	NA
2019	372	276	266	73%	19%	8%	645	78%
2020	205	173	263	73%	20%	7%	556	80%
2021	226	193	230	80%	15%	5%	475	85%
2022	255	199	157	70%	23%	7%	437	87%

¹ Unsuccessful discharges are due primarily to noncompliance, absconding, or committing new offenses.

² Other discharges include voluntary withdrawals, case transfers to other jurisdictions, deaths, or medical discharges.

³ Substance use disorder at the time of screening for the program.

Source: Problem Solving Courts Annual Reports