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Advanced Breaking the Cycle

Advanced Breaking the Cycle is a Cognitive – Behavioral Intervention for Intimate Partner Violence. This series is designed for those involved with the criminal justice system who have a recent pattern of Intimate Partner Violence and are at moderate to high risk for recidivism. The use of the terms risk, risky, and high risk in this program refers to a person’s propensity to recidivate in general or more specially their likelihood to engage in violence or aggression in a relationship. The curriculum was developed to help correctional agencies implement evidence-based practices, improve public safety and reduce recidivism for individuals engaged in Intimate Partner Violence. It includes activities for cognitive, social and emotional skills development.

Goal:

To provide clients with evidence-based practices to reflect upon themselves to make changes within their thoughts, attitudes, and beliefs.

Criteria for Participation:

Primary eligibility will be male misdemeanor & felony offenders convicted of Domestic Violence or related charges against significant others (wife, girlfriend, or ex-wife, ex-girlfriend). Clients should be High or Very High ORAS risk level, repeat domestic violence offenders or related offense offenders.

Objectives:

1. To reduce aggression and violence.
2. Promote Cognitive Restructuring, Skills Training, Problem Solving and Motivational Engagement.

Schedule:

There is one (1) 26-week class, meeting twice weekly, for a total of 52 sessions.

Daytime Sessions: Held at the Reibold Building, 117 S. Main Street – 10th Floor
Tuesday & Thursday: 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

Contact:

Connie Houston, Supervisor, (937) 224-1574
James Maupins, Senior Probation Officer, (937) 496-6820
Bart Cambarare, Senior Probation Officer, (937) 496-3189

Referrals should be arranged through James Maupins or Bart Cambarare.

NOTE: Upon completion appropriate dosage hours will be applied.

Breaking the Cycle

Breaking the Cycle (formerly known as Stop the Violence) is founded on the belief that domestic violence and/or domestic violence-related offenses are crimes where the perpetrator is responsible and should be held accountable for his behavior. Because those who batter choose violence, they can also choose to break the cycle and eliminate coercive and controlling tactics in their relationships with partners.

Goal:

To educate and provide clients with alternatives to abusive behavior.

Criteria for Participation:

Primary eligibility will be male misdemeanor & felony offenders convicted of Domestic Violence or related charges against significant others (wife, girlfriend, or ex-wife, ex-girlfriend). Participants should be either Low or Moderate ORAS risk level.

Objectives:

1. To educate men about sex role attitudes, power and control in relationships, and empathy for the victim.
2. To offer men a variety of opportunities to learn alternatives to violence; such as, the time out method, relaxation techniques, and non-intimidating assertiveness training.

Schedule:

There are two (2) 9-week ongoing Workshops, they are offered as follows:

Daytime Sessions: Held at the Reibold Building, 117 S. Main Street - 10th Floor, at the following times:

Fridays: 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

Evening Sessions: Held at the Reibold Building, 117 S. Main Street- 10th Floor, at the following times:

Mondays: 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Contact:

Alvin Stokes, Probation Coordinator, (937) 224-3928

James Maupins, Senior Probation Officer, (937) 496-6820

Bart Cambarare, Senior Probation Officer, (937) 496-3189

Referrals should be arranged through James Maupins or Bart Cambarare.

NOTE: Upon completion appropriate dosage hours will be applied.

Building Healthy Relationships

Goal:

To provide clients with tools to address relations with self, significant other, family/children and authority figures and provide problem solving skills in each of these areas.

Criteria for Participation:

Clients should have low/moderate or higher ORAS level, committed to attending once a week for four (4) weeks.

Objectives:

1. To model, role play, and practice various social skills so that the clients can glean effective interpersonal relationships.
2. To gain knowledge and concepts to combat stressors and issues to form positive interactions with multifaceted individuals.
3. To examine the critical factors necessary in forming prosocial relationships with others.

Schedule:

Held at the Reibold Building, 117 S. Main Street - 10th Floor, at the following times:

Males: Monday: 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. or 1:30 pm to 3: 00 p.m.
(Choose AM or PM)

Females: Thursday: 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Contact:

Alvin Stokes, Probation Coordinator, (937) 224-3928

Cherie White, Probation Coordinator, (937) 224-3944

Female referrals are to be made to Cherie White, Probation Coordinator

Male referrals are to be made to Alvin Stokes, Probation Coordinator

NOTE: Upon completion appropriate dosage hours will be applied.

Carey Guides (Cognitive Intervention)

These tools are designed for use by clients --- with the assistance of their probation officer --- to understand and address risk factors, triggers, and other conditions that are essential to their success. There are 33 Carey Guides addressing a number of different criminogenic needs.

Goal:

To educate the client on understanding their behavior and to be taught skills for making positive changes.

Criteria for Participation:

1. Any client, male or female, with moderate or higher ORAS.
2. Any client needing to build skills to address risk factors, triggers, and other behaviors.

Objective:

To utilize evidence-based practices helping clients to understand the personal and environmental factors for their behavior and to learn skills that are essential to their success.

Schedule:

At any time during a client's period of supervision. Done directly by the supervising Probation Officer or a Probation Coordinator.

Community Service Work

Goal:

Coordinate placement of offenders with a non-profit organization or a governmental agency for the purpose of restorative justice.

Criteria:

Community Service Orientation is open to all clients who have Community Service Work to complete as a sanction, or in lieu of fines and costs.

Objectives:

1. To have all clients with community service obligations complete Community Service Work,
2. Orientation to be scheduled in OCSS within 30 days of being placed on supervision.
3. To review the purposes and principles of community service work with all clients.
4. To obtain applications, liability waivers and other necessary information from clients prior to their assignment.
5. To assign all clients to appropriate placement organizations within 24 hours.
6. To have all clients contact their assigned placement organizations within 24 hours after receiving their placement.
7. To report the attendance of each Community Service Work Orientation to management staff within 24 hours.

Schedule:

Every Monday, except holidays, from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m., at the Reibold Building 10th Floor, 117 S. Main Street. **(Note: Instruct clients to arrive at 12:45 pm)**

If a client is unable to attend orientation, they must contact Donny Anderson to schedule an individual orientation.

Contact:

Donny Anderson, Probation Coordinator, (937) 225-6014

NOTE: Please advise Donny Anderson prior to CSW Orientation if client is a sex offender (present/past) or if the client has animal related charges (present/past). Additionally, if a client is performing Community Service Work in lieu of financial obligations, please notify Donny.

Decision Points

Goal:

This program will provide clients with alternative ways to examine their thinking and the related actions that lead them into trouble. It will provide skill building tools to be more successful individuals.

Criteria for Participation:

Clients should be low/moderate or higher ORAS level, committed to attending once a week for minimum of eight (8) weeks.

Objective:

1. To assist the clients in learning four skills that address the fundamental aspects of their thinking.
2. To examine the Trouble Cycle and the steps to Stop the Trouble Cycle.
3. To challenge the clients to make prosocial choices given risky situations.

Schedule:

Held at the Reibold Building, 117 S. Main Street - 10th Floor, at the following times:

Female:	Monday:	4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
	Thursday:	10:30a.m-11:30a.m.
Male:	Monday:	4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
	Tuesday:	1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.
	Wednesday:	10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
	Thursday:	10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Contact:

Alvin Stokes, Probation Coordinator, (937) 224-3928

Cherie White, Probation Coordinator, (937) 224-3944

Referrals are to be made to Alvin Stokes and Cherie White, Program Coordinators.

NOTE: Upon completion appropriate dosage hours will be applied.

Impact Panel - Drug Impact Panel/Driving Under the Influence

Goal:

To educate individuals impacted by drug addiction about the potential consequences of continued use and how their actions have impacted the victim by utilizing the principles of restorative justice.

Criteria for Participation:

The Drug Impact Panel is geared for the individual who has been convicted of a drug offense. This panel is also designed for those who continue to abuse illegal or prescription drugs or other mood-altering substances. The panel is also designed for the client who is susceptible to drinking excessively or driving under the influence of mood-altering substances.

The DUI Impact Panel is geared for the client who has been convicted of a DUI offense. Low ORAS level participants will only be required to attend the initial class. Clients of moderate or higher ORAS level will be required to complete a Carey guide assignment(s) and report to the probation coordinator the same and/or the following week.

Presenters:

Presenters will include members of the community: Rachel Babich, Program Director of Ohio- MADD; Recovery Works Healing Center, LLC; Families of Addicts (FOA); and a former client.

Objectives:

1. To educate individuals on how their usage impacts themselves, their families, victims, and the community.
2. To promote recovery and sobriety.
3. To strengthen communication between resources and to encourage treatment.

Schedule:

Impact Panels are conducted at the Reibold Building - 10th Floor, 117 S. Main Street, from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., on the following dates:

Referrals are to be made to Tina Friess, Administrative Coordinator.

Drug Impact/Driving Under the Influence	February 5, 2024
Drug Impact/Driving Under the Influence	June 3, 2024
Drug Impact/Driving Under the Influence	October 7, 2024

Impact Panel – Victims of Violence

Criteria for Participation (Victims of Violence):

The Victims of Violence Impact Panel is geared toward the client who has been convicted of a violent offense or who has violent tendencies. This panel is designed to bring awareness of the true realities' violence can create for a family and/or the community. Low ORAS level clients will only be required to attend the initial class. Clients of moderate or higher ORAS level will be required to complete a Carey guide assignment(s) and report to the probation coordinator the same and/or the following week.

Objectives:

1. To give victims a voice in the Criminal Justice System, in accordance with the principals of Restorative Justice.
2. To influence an offenders' behavior through direct contact with crime victims.
3. To facilitate learning how clients' actions affects victims and the community.

Contact:

Kaylin Ely, Victim Advocate – Montgomery County Prosecutor's Office, Victim Witness Division, (937) 225-5623

Impact Panel Schedule:

Impact Panels are conducted at the Reibold Building - 10th Floor, 117 S. Main Street, from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., on the following dates:

Victims of Violence	March 4, 2024
Victims of Violence	July 8, 2024
Victims of Violence	November 4, 2024

Referrals are to be made to Tina Friess, Administrative Coordinator.

Kushinda Court

Judge Gerald Parker, 3rd Floor – Courtroom #3

Goal:

To educate the clients on self, family, and community.

Criteria for Participation:

The target population is African American men ages 18-29 years old. This program will use the Habilitation, Empowerment, Accountability, Therapy (HEAT) curriculum – an 9-month course. Eligible clients are those of moderate or higher ORAS level.

Objective:

1. To educate and promote accountability.
2. To support young African American men.
3. To strengthen communication and to encourage positive outcomes in program completion.
4. To assist in decision making and problem-solving.

Schedule:

Kushinda Court is held biweekly on Thursdays at 1:30pm at the Courthouse located at 41 N. Perry Street. Please arrive and be seated in the Courtroom by 1:25 p.m.

Contact:

Karla Arnold, Supervisor, (937) 225-4288

Lafayette Christian, Senior Probation Officer, (937) 496-6519

Late Night Make-Up Sessions

Sessions will be held at the Reibold Building located at 14 West 4th Street from 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 pm on the following dates:

January 8, 2024

January 22, 2024

February 12, 2024

February 26, 2024

March 11, 2024

March, 25, 2024

April 8, 2024

April 22, 2024

May 13, 2024

June 10, 2024

June 24, 2024

July 8, 2024

July 22, 2024

August 12, 2024

August 26, 2024

September 9, 2024

September 23, 2024

October 28, 2024

November 25, 2024

Making Better Choices

Goal:

To educate the client on how their theft has an impact on them financially, socially, and legally. To discuss the socially irresponsible behavior of the individual charged with a theft related offense by identifying risk factors associated with that theft.

Criteria for Participation:

Any client with a theft related offense. Low ORAS level clients will only be required to attend the initial class. Clients of moderate or higher ORAS level will be required to complete a Carey guide assignment(s) and report to the instructor the same and/or the following week.

Objective:

Bring awareness to clients on the facts of the law, and on their responsibility to prevent future criminal behavior.

Schedule:

The following sessions will be from 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the Reibold Building, 117 S. Main Street - 10th Floor, classes will be held on Tuesdays.

February 13, 2024

April 9, 2024

June 11, 2024

August 13, 2024

October 15, 2024

December 10, 2024

Contact:

Cherie White, Probation Coordinator, (937) 224-3944

Referrals are to be made to Tina Friess, Administrative Coordinator.

NOTE: Upon completion appropriate dosage hours will be applied.

Men's Achievement Recovery Court (MARC)

Judge Steven K. Dankof, 3rd Floor – Courtroom # 4

Goal:

The Men's Achievement Recovery Court (M.A.R.C.) is designed to reduce crime by changing client's drug using behavior. It is a highly structured program, lasting 6 months to 5 years, and encourages sobriety through weekly Court appearances, intensive supervision by the Criminal Justice Services Department, urine testing, and involvement in treatment.

Criteria for Participation:

Open to male clients who are granted Intervention in Lieu of Conviction or Community Control with a moderate or higher ORAS level.

Objective:

Upon completing the Men's Achievement Recovery Court (M.A.R.C.), participants will be drug and alcohol free for 6 consecutive months, have no new felony offenses, be employed or enrolled in school, have fulfilled their financial obligation, and completed special conditions ordered by the Court.

Schedule:

Men's Achievement Recovery Court is held weekly on Wednesdays at 3:30 p.m. at the Courthouse located at 41 N. Perry Street. Please arrive and be seated in the Courtroom by 3:25 p.m.

Contact:

Karla Arnold, Supervisor, (937) 225-4288
Darren Hoff, Senior Probation Officer, (937) 496-3026
Lynn Mirovsky, Senior Probation Officer, (937) 496-7431

NOTE: Following completion of docket for drug related offenses, the court holds its OVI Track docket. The OVI track within the Men's Achievement Recovery Court targets participants who have been convicted of an alcohol-related offense or OVI and have scored high in the risk and need of the DUI Risk and Needs Triage (RANT) tool.

Mental Health Court

Honorable Timothy N. O'Connell, 4th Floor - Courtroom #11

Goal:

Access to and compliance with treatment, establish stability, accountability for actions, and continued mental health.

Criteria:

All clients will be required to enter a guilty plea prior to entering Mental Health Court. Clients eligible for judicial release may also be considered for admission. Clients must be residents of Montgomery County, Ohio, who have been charged with one or more felonies.

Clinical Criteria:

Qualifying Diagnosis:

To be admitted to Mental Health Court, clients must have been diagnosed with a severe mental illness, including, but not limited to, the following:

- Schizophrenia, Schizoaffective Disorder (bipolar or depressive), Bipolar Disorder, Major Depressive Disorder, Obsessive Compulsive Disorder, Panic Disorder, or Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder, as diagnosed by a licensed provider and as described in the most current edition of the DSM (Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders).

A history of serious or repetitive violence, including domestic violence convictions where physical harm or weapons were involved, will likely exclude a client from Mental Health Court. Such determination will be left to the discretion of the Mental Health Court Judge.

Objective:

Connect clients with mental health treatment options through area agencies and provide an encouraging and supportive atmosphere to enable clients to gain stability and self-sufficiency. To maintain a recidivism rate of less than 30% within the six-month period following graduation from Mental Health Court.

Schedule:

Mental Health Court will be held at the Montgomery County Common Pleas Court Building, 41 North Perry Street, Judge Timothy N. O'Connell Courtroom # 11, 4th Floor @ 2:30 p.m. on Thursday.

Contact:

Karla Arnold, Supervisor, (937) 225-4288

Linda Shipley, Senior Probation Officer (937) 225-4304

New Client Orientation

Goal:

All clients will attend New Client Orientation within 30 days of being granted supervision. This will give the client a better understanding of the terms and conditions of supervision.

Criteria:

All clients placed on supervision. Exclusions to this are:

- Clients granted Monitored Time
- Clients granted Inter or Intrastate Supervision
- Clients granted supervision and assigned to Linda Shipley or Cindy Riley
- Clients in jail, ordered to serve a sentence, complete residential treatment or a CBCF
- Clients already on supervision for another case

Objectives:

1. To have all clients complete one (1) New Client Orientation within 30 days of being placed on supervision.
2. To strengthen communication between probation staff and clients.
3. To encourage positive outcomes in program completion.

Schedule:

New Client Orientation will be held in the Reibold Building, 10th Floor, 117 S. Main Street from 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. on the following Thursdays.

January 11, 2024

February 8, 2024

March 14, 2024

April 11, 2024

May 9, 2024

June 13, 2024

July 11, 2024

August 8, 2024

September 12, 2024

October 10, 2024

November 14, 2024

December 12, 2024

Contact:

Tony Duff, Probation Officer, (937) 224-1570

Kelley Wills, Senior Probation Officer, (937) 496-6740

Positive Perspectives (Formerly Anger Management)

Goal:

To provide clients with tools to address issues with anger and associated feelings.

Criteria for Participation:

Clients should have low/moderate or higher ORAS level, who have been identified and/or exhibited a need to learn conflict resolution skills, and committed to attending once a week for six (6) weeks.

Objectives:

1. To learn to manage anger.
2. To develop and strengthen skills for self-control over thoughts and feelings.
3. To develop a pro-social anger response plan.

Schedule:

This is a 6-week open program, offered as follows:

Males: **Friday, 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., Group Room #2**

Females: **Wednesday: 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m., Group Room #1**

Contact:

Alvin Stokes, Probation Coordinator, (937) 224-3928

Cherie White, Probation Coordinator, (937) 224-3944

Female referrals are to be made to Cherie White, Probation Coordinator

Male referrals are to be made to Alvin Stokes, Probation Coordinator

NOTE: Upon completion appropriate dosage hours will be applied.

Recovery IS Empowering Court (RISE)

Honorable Mary Wiseman, 4rd Floor – Courtroom # 12

Goal:

The Recovery IS Empowering Court is designed to reduce crime by changing offender's drug using behavior. It is a highly structured program, lasting 6 months to 5 years, and encourages sobriety through weekly Court appearances, intensive supervision by the Criminal Justice Services Department, urine testing, and involvement in treatment.

Criteria for Participation:

Clients are female offenders with substance abuse issues and a moderate or high ORAS level.

Objective:

Upon completing the Recovery IS Empowering Court, participants will be drug and alcohol free for six (6) consecutive months, be employed or enrolled in school, have fulfilled their financial obligation, and completed special conditions ordered by the Court.

Schedule:

Recovery IS Empowering Court will be held at the Montgomery County Common Pleas Court Building, 41 North Perry Street, Judge Mary Wiseman Courtroom @ 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday.

Contact:

Karla Arnold, Supervisor, (937) 225-4288
Molly Drake, Senior Probation Officer, (937) 225-4583
Melissa Parton, Senior Probation Officer, (937) 496-6823
Alicia Williams, Senior Probation Officer (937) 496-6845

NOTE: Following completion of docket for drug related offenses, the court holds its OVI Track docket. The OVI track within the Recovery IS Empowering Court targets participants who have been convicted of an alcohol-related offense or OVI and have scored high in the risk and need of the DUI Risk and Needs Triage (RANT) tool.

Stronger Together

Goal:

To address client noncompliant behavior by involving/educating Pro-social support persons regarding the importance of supervision improvement by the following:

- Family Support
- Attitude
- Communication
- Employment
- Accountability (taking responsibility)
- Authority Figure relationship building

Criteria for Participation:

Clients who have been exhibited violation of supervision within the first 90 days and requires support in achieving and maintaining compliance.

Objectives:

1. To learn the significance of personal and professional support.
2. To learn the importance of supervision compliance, and the resources offered to assist in their success
3. To develop personal accountability.

Schedule:

This is a one-time, 2-hour session, offered on Monday evenings 5:30pm- 7:00pm as follows:

January 8, 2024

March 11, 2024

May 6, 2024

July 15, 2024

September 9, 2024

November 18, 2024

Group Room #1

Contact:

Alvin Stokes, Probation Coordinator, (937) 496-3928

Cherie White, Probation Coordinator, (937) 224-3944

Veteran's Court

Honorable Dennis J. Adkins, 3rd Floor – Courtroom # 1

Goal:

To assist veterans who are involved in the criminal justice system in addressing the issues that led to their involvement with the Court.

Criteria:

1. Any client placed on Community Control or Intervention in Lieu of Conviction in the Montgomery County Common Pleas Court.
2. Veterans who have received an Honorable or General (Under Honorable Conditions) discharge from the United States Military Services, and drug/alcohol use, PTSD, traumatic brain injury, or other physical/mental conditions was a significant factor in the commission of their offense.

Objective:

To ensure compliance with Court imposed sanctions and to facilitate placement into a variety of services at the Dayton VA Medical Center and within the community.

Schedule:

Veteran's Court will be held at the Montgomery County Common Pleas Court Building, 41 North Perry Street, Judge Dennis Adkins Courtroom # 1, 3rd Floor @ 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday.

Contact:

Karla Arnold, Supervisor (937) 225-4288

Thomas Blatter, Senior Probation Officer, (937) 225-4363

Women Empowering Women for Success

Goal:

To empower women for success through personal and professional development, self-care, problem solving skills, decision making, and interpersonal relationships.

Criteria for Participation:

Clients should have a low or moderate ORAS level, and committed to attending once a week for four (4) weeks, two (2) hours per session. Clients will be required to complete all homework assignments. This is an interactive program that will require participation from everyone.

Objectives:

1. To conduct group exercises that focus on decision making and problem-solving skills.
2. To reinforce trust through self-disclosure.
3. To develop effective communication skills.
4. To develop insight on self-awareness and accountability
5. Will utilize relevant Carey Guides.

Schedule:

Daytime sessions are held on Thursdays from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Reibold Building 10th Floor, 117 S. Main Street, on the following dates:

Session I: February 1, 8, 15 and 22, 2024

Session II: June 6, 13, 20, and 27, 2024

Session IV: October 3, 10, 17 and 24, 2024

Contact:

Serida Lowery, Senior Probation Officer, (937) 496-3188

Holly Vadnais, Senior Probation Officer, (937) 225-4809

Referrals are to be made to Tina Friess, Administrative Coordinator.

NOTE: Upon completion appropriate dosage hours will be applied.

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