

Newton and Walton County Resource Court

Participant Handbook

This Handbook will be your guide on program expectations. It will also help explain requirements in the Newton and Walton Resource Court Programs (NWRC).

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Welcome to Resource Court

We are here to support you in making positive changes in your life. You are an important part of this program, and we believe in your ability to succeed.

Introduction

The Newton and Walton Resource Court is a program that helps people who have had legal troubles make better choices and take steps to improve their lives.

By participating in the program, you can learn new skills, get support, and work toward your goals.

Our Mental Health courts work to aid individuals in achieving stable recovery, addressing any co-occurring mental health disorders, to support participants' successful return to society. The program is typically 18 to 24 months in duration, consisting of four phases culminating in graduation.

Judge Layla Zon (Newton) and Judge Jeffery Foster (Walton) assemble court personnel, prosecutors, attorneys, treatment professionals, and other community partners to establish a multi-disciplinary, collaborative approach to help support and guide you through the program. These teams will hear updates on your progress and recommend incentives and behavior responses to support your success.

Program Goals

The overall goal of NWRC is to provide you with the tools to manage your mental health and/or substance abuse needs and to build a stable life while reducing jail time and improving public safety.

Statement of Non-Discrimination

NWRC recognizes and embraces a population with diverse ethnic, cultural, and spiritual backgrounds. The program seeks to provide equal services for all participants and will not discriminate in admissions, services or behavior responses based on race, color, national origin, age, physical or mental disability, marital status, religion, creed, sex, sexual orientation, or political beliefs.

Program Overview

The Newton and Walton Resource Court is currently under the direction of Superior Court Judges, Layla Zon, Newton County, and Jeffery Foster, Walton County. The NWRC programs are voluntary. Our teams are committed to supporting you on this road to recovery by giving you a chance to seek treatment while addressing your legal problems.

As a participant, you are required to follow the instructions found in this Handbook and the instructions of your Resource Court Judge & Team. You are required to comply with the treatment plan developed for you by your Treatment Provider. Treatment will help you focus on your recovery and we expect you to participate in all treatment activities. As a participant, you must follow all treatment recommendations.

Once accepted, program participants can expect frequent contact with the Resource Court Judge, Staff (including the Court Coordinator, Case Manager, Sheriff's deputies, and probation officers), and Treatment Providers. Our program takes a minimum of 24 months to complete, which includes a minimum of 18 months in the first four phases of the program, followed by a minimum of 6 months aftercare.

You should expect to complete and participate in numerous treatment-oriented activities. These may include group and individual therapy, weekly court appearances, 12-step programs, probation appointments, home visits by either probation or the Newton and Walton County Sheriff's Office, appointments with the Resource Court Coordinator or the Case Manager, and urine/breath/chemical drug testing.

As mentioned above, upon successful completion of the phases of the Resource Court, the participant will be eligible to graduate in a ceremony to which friends and family may be invited. This ceremony will mark the start of Life Phase and the participant's lifelong work to manage his or her mental illness in a state of recovery.

Treatment

The following curricula/evidence-based groups are currently available to NWRC participants:

- Cognitive Behavior Intervention-Substance Abuse (CBI-SA)
- Dialectical Behavioral Therapy (DBT)
- Moral Reconnection Therapy (MRT)
- Seeking Safety
- Living in Balance (LIB)
- The Seven Challenges
- Thinking for a Change (T4C)
- Wellness Recovery Action Plan (WRAP)
- TREM

We also want you to have additional services, as they are available, such as housing, transportation, referrals for medical care, GED, parenting classes and job readiness classes. Let us know if you require any of these services!

As a part of your treatment, you may have an assessment to determine if there are medication-assisted treatments (MAT) that could assist you in your journey to recovery.

Attendance Requirements

As a participant in the Resource Court, you are required to attend all groups and meetings as assigned. **You must contact the court case manager or coordinator to get permission before missing any groups or meetings. If you do not have approval to miss, it will result in progressive responses. Contact the NWRC Court Coordinator about the emergency before making any plans to leave town.**

Confidentiality

NWRC has developed policies and procedures that guard your privacy. Participants should respect the privacy of their co-participants; you should not talk and gossip about others in the program.

***Please note:** State and Federal laws also prevent closed courtroom hearings. There could be members of the community and other Resource Court participants in the courtroom during Resource Court sessions.

Court Review Hearing Schedule

The number of times you must appear in court per month depends on what phase you are in at the time. Upon entry into the Resource Court, your case manager will give you a calendar and informed of your court.

Newton Court is on Wednesdays at 3:00 pm. You should attend all assigned court sessions at the Newton County Court House.

Walton Court is on Thursdays at 3:00 pm. You should attend all assigned court sessions at the Walton County Court House.

Court Review Hearing Rules

- You must arrive to all Court Review Hearings on time
- You may not bring food or drink into the Courtroom
- You must give your phones to program staff upon arriving at the court house
- You will remain in the Courtroom until you are dismissed by the Judge
- If you do not appear at the scheduled time for your Review Hearing, and are not excused, the Judge may issue a warrant for your arrest
- No alcohol, drugs, weapons, or pocketknives are allowed in the Courtroom
- You must follow rules of confidentiality regarding all information discussed during the Review Hearing
- Free expression of your thoughts and feelings is encouraged; however, use of profanity, violence, threats, or intimidation will not be tolerated

Dress Code

You are required to dress appropriately for Court and all court services, in-person and virtual. You may not wear clothing that is too short, too low-cut, and see-through or that advertises alcohol, drugs, cigarettes, or displaying obscene words or pictures. No hats, gang attire or sagging pants that hang below the waist.

Positive Behavior Responses – Incentives

You can earn incentives by following the program rules or being a leader with your behaviors. Typically, you will receive incentives during court review hearings. These may include, but are not limited to:

Verbal praise/compliments from Judge
Applause/special recognition
Group positive feedback
Rocket Docket

Awards
High Five Award
Kudos
Certificates

Candy
Box Picks
Gift certificates
Gift bags

Large box picks
Big Deal Wheel
Graduation party
Picnics/parties

Inappropriate Behavior Responses – Sanctions

Responses to inappropriate behavior typically happen in Court Reviews.

The team may communicate in between court and the Judge will impose an immediate behavior response on the participant. These may include:

Admonishment from Judge
Research project
Giving back project
Increased screening
Earlier curfew
Essays
More court reviews

Written assignment
Increased supervision
Community Service
Behavior contract
Short jail sentence
Phase freeze

The Resource Court Judge reserves the right to impose sanctions on a case-by-case basis and to impose sanctions that are appropriate to the participant and the violation.

Flash Incarceration: Certain extreme events may cause the participant to go into custody immediately under and order for immediate incarceration. Events may include, but are not limited to, new charges or probation violations, lying to the court, safety-related violations, and signs of obvious intoxication. After incarceration, you will have a hearing in a timely manner to hear from the participant and determine the nature of the sanction.

Drug Testing

You will be randomly tested a minimum of two times weekly for drug and alcohol use throughout your entire participation in the Resource Court program.

Notification of Drug Test Results

You will have an opportunity to admit or deny use before a drug test. If an on-site test is positive and you DENY alcohol and/or drug use and request a confirmation, **YOU will be required to pay for all confirmations returned positive.**

If you wish to contest a drug screen, you will need to contact the case manager within 24 hours of receiving notification of the positive screen. Whether a participant tests positive for one substance or more than one substance in a single sample, it will be considered as one positive screen.

Dilute screens are positive. **Dilutes are drinking** too much fluid/ liquid of any kind in a short period, usually in an effort to flush your system of alcohol or drugs).

Substituting urine or contaminating urine are positive screens.

Call-in testing

Drug testing is conducted at the local Accountability Court Lab and/or by surveillance officers, probation or court staff. While in the program, you will be required to have a minimum of two random screens weekly. **All screens will be observed** by the same gender as the client. Clients will handle their specimen bottle from beginning to end and seal in the bag provided to protect the chain of custody.

In **Newton County**, screening happens in the field without notice by surveillance or program staff. You will have to report to your local probation office to screen on random days. On days when scheduled to test, the Newton participant will report to probation at 4186 Baker Street, Covington GA 30015 from 10:00 am through 12:00 pm.

In **Walton County**, screening happens at the courthouse. You will be assigned a color upon acceptance into the program. All participants in Walton will be responsible to call in daily, including weekends and holidays to Google voice app from 6:00 am until 7:00 am. If your color is chosen to screen that day you must report to the Walton County courthouse located at 303 S. Hammond Dr., Monroe GA 30655 by 8:00 am. Staff may request a sample at any time to surveillance or at the Lab.

Walton screen call in number is: 706-389-4372

You must be on time and prepared to submit a sample during the specified period. Participants must arrive to screen at least 15 minutes prior to the end of their testing window. Late arrivals may not be allowed to test and failure to submit a urine specimen is considered a positive screen. Work will not be an excuse for missed testing. All samples will be tested for adulterants and/or flushing agents. Should you fail to secure the lid on the specimen, it will be considered a positive screen and will be considered a “Leak in Transit” and will NOT be tested.

Curfew extensions

Curfew extensions are required to be submitted in writing one week prior to the day of requested extension. You must communicate with your assigned surveillance officer if you will be late for curfew. You must be home during your curfew.

Search Requirements

As a participant in the Resource Court, you have knowingly and voluntarily waived your Fourth Amendment Rights. As such, you have agreed to submit to a search of your person, residence, papers, and/or property, cell phone, and computer 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 Resource Court Staff/Treatment Provider upon reasonable and articulable suspicion or belief that you are in violation of your probation (if applicable), one or more of the rules of Resource Court, or the law.

The search of your residence may include areas of the home that are personal to other residents.

Home visits, job checks & verifications

Resource Court Staff, including a Sheriff's Deputy, will monitor each participant through job checks/verifications and home visits. The job checks will be unannounced and may include a visit and/or telephone call to the participant's place of employment to verify employment status.

The home visits will be unannounced and may occur at any time, day or night. The frequency of the job checks and home visits will be at the discretion of Resource Court Staff.

The participant is responsible for keeping Resource Court Staff informed of his/her current contact information, place of employment, and work schedule. You are responsible for confining or restraining any pets at your residence during a home visit.

AWOL

AWOL (Absent without leave) is three or more missed appointments and/or curfews, or absence from a residential treatment facility for 24 hours or more.

Termination

Participants in violation of program rules may be subject to a termination hearing. The hearing would be held to determine whether to terminate a participant from the program. Upon termination, defendants are either: 1) sentenced based on recommendations from the prosecutor and the defense attorney or 2) subject to the imposition of the previously suspended sentence.

A participant who has been AWOL for 30 days waives his or her right to be present for a termination hearing.

Graduation Ceremony

Upon your successful completion of the Resource Court and satisfaction of all court requirements, including continued stability, recovery, and sobriety, you will be eligible for graduation. Attendance at the graduation ceremony is mandatory. The graduation ceremony is an important event. It celebrates your successful completion of the phases of the Resource Court program. It is also your formal graduation from the Resource Court and marks the start of Life Phase and your lifelong work to remain in a state of recovery. You will be able to invite your family and friends to join you at your graduation ceremony.

Prior to your graduation ceremony, court staff and your treatment provider will meet with you to discuss plans for treatment that will be the best for supporting you and help you maintain your life in recovery.

Medication

All participants will need to bring a signed Medical Provider Advisory form when you go to your doctor that states that you are in active recovery and in the program. The Medical Provider Advisory form will notify the doctor that any narcotic and/or addictive substances must be avoided. Your doctor should fill out the form and you

should return the form to court staff as soon as possible.

When you are prescribed new medication, **you are required to contact the Resource Court Case Manager by phone or text with a complete list of medications you have been prescribed, prior to filling the prescription.** If you are unable to reach the Case Manager or Court Coordinator by phone, you should text a photo of the prescription information to the Case Manager.

- **No drugs of any kind (including over the counter) are to be taken without prior written approval from the Case Manager or Coordinator.**
- Please be aware that many foods (such as desserts, soups, and cream sauces), over the counter medications, cold/allergy products, and cough medication contain alcohol and should not be taken. In addition, you are not allowed to consume food items with poppy seeds, nor are you allowed to consume energy drinks of any kind.

We have included a list of drugs as a guide for what you can and cannot take safely.

Please understand that you still must get prior permission from court staff for all medications including over-the-counter drugs.

APPROVED OVER-THE-COUNTER MEDICATIONS

Condition/Need	Medication Approved
Colds, Cough, Congestion	Robitussin (plain), Nasal saline, Zicam, Claritin, Afrin (3 days only), Tessalon Perles (Rx), Airborne
Pain / Headache	Ibuprofen, Tylenol, Aleve, Aspirin, Motrin, Advil, Ecotrin, Bufferin

MEDICATIONS THAT MAY BE TAKEN WITH STAFF APPROVAL ONLY

Actifed, Afrin, Alka-Seltzer Plus, Allegra, Benadryl, Clarinex, Dimetapp, Dristan Zyrtec
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MEDICATIONS THAT MAY NOT BE TAKEN INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO

Alcohol	Aftershave lotion	Hair tonics
	Mouthwash	Perfumes
	Rubbing Alcohol	Wood Alcohol & extracts
Analgesics	Darvocet N-100	Darvon
	Soma	Ultram

Barbiturates	Amytal Na. Donnatal Nembutal (Yellow Jackets)	Butabarbital, Butisol Luminal (Blue Heavens) Phenobarbital
Narcotics/Opiates/Opioids	Cocaine Demerol Fentanyl Citrate (Sublimaze) Heroin (E, Horse, Dope, Smack, Junk) Hydrocodone Mepergan Forte Roxidocone Tussionex	Codeine Empirin (w/ Codeine) Fiorinal (w/ Codeine) Oxycodone Lortab Morphine Tramadol Vicodin
Over the Counter (OTC)	NoDoz, Vivarin, Diphenhydramine Creatine Supplements are not permitted <i>Diet aids:</i> Comtrex, Contac, Nyquil, Nytol, Sominex	Tussin (any brand) Robafen, or any unapproved cough medication Dexatrim, etc. Kratom Dextromathorpin (DXM) Xantac
Sedatives	Amytal Nodular	Nembutal Seconal
Sleeping Aids	Ambien Serax	Ativan
Stimulants (Non-Amphetamines)	Adderall Fastin	
Tranquilizers	Ativan Valium, Xanax Alprazolam Clonazepam	

Also prohibited is any product labeled “not intended for human consumption,” intended to be smoked, ingested, or injected for the purposes of “getting high.” Spice and K2 are examples of these products. There are different kinds of Spice such as K2 Summit, K2 Ultra, and K2 Blonde, among others. There are even newer versions of Spice named K2 Sky Herb, K2 Orisha, and K2 Thai. These products contain herbal mixtures with cannabinomimetic compounds added to the mixture.

Another group of products known as “Bath Salts,” but not intended for bathing, is also prohibited. Such products contain chemicals similar to amphetamines. They are often called “bath salts” but are also sold under names such as Ivory Wave, Purple Wave, Red Dove, White Dove, Blue Silk, and Zoom. Some have also been labeled as plant food.

All use of unapproved drugs will be addressed in court. This is not intended as punishment but to encourage sobriety. Thus, the goal of drug testing is to provide accountability and confirmation of individual progress towards recovery.

Medication Assisted Treatment

Medication for addiction treatment is available through screening and assessment for Alcohol Use Disorder (AUD) and Opiate Use Disorder (OUD). Should you meet the criteria for Medication for addiction treatment, you will be promptly referred for a formal medical evaluation to determine the necessity of medication. Only FDA-approved medications for Medication-Assisted Treatment (MAT) will be utilized within the program including, but not limited to, Methadone, Buprenorphine, and Naltrexone.

Phases of Resource Court

Resource Court is a five-phase program. A participant must successfully complete each phase before moving up to the next phase.

All participants who enter the Resource Court must complete the requirements of the Life Phase as part of the conditions their probation.

Phase I: Stabilize

Name: ____ **Start Date:** _____

Case Manager's Name: _____

Eligible for Completion: At least 60 days

Participants Initials	TASKS	CM's Initials
	I have completed the Court Orientation with my case manager	
	I have met weekly with my case manager on these dates _____, _____, _____, _____	
	I have completed my treatment intake and started groups	
	I have completed my initial case plan with my case manager	
	I have attended court every week for 30 days	
	I have been available for surveillance	
	I have complied with my curfew 7pm-6am	
	I am calling daily for drug screens and reporting as required	
	<p><u>Phase 1 Advancement Criteria:</u> *No positive drug test results (including missed tests, diluted tests, or tampered tests) for a minimum of 30 consecutive days. *No jail or community service sanctions for a minimum of 30 consecutive days. *Medication compliance for a minimum of 30 consecutive days. *No missed, unexcused appointments for 30 consecutive days. *Areas of case management support identified and goals established. *Phase 1 Completion Project: Must be approved prior to phase up.</p>	

Reviewed by Coordinator on: _____ **Approved by team on:** _____

Phase II: Engage

Name: _____ Start Date: _____

Case Manager's Name: _____

Eligible for Completion: 4-month minimum

Participants Initials	TASKS	CM's Initials
	I have met weekly with my case manager on these dates _____, _____, _____, _____.	
	I have complied with treatment and case management plan	
	I have attended court every week for 60 days	
	I have been available for surveillance	
	I have complied with my curfew 7:30pm-6am	
	I am calling daily for drug screens and reporting as required.	
	I have completed my case plan goals with my case manager. My current goal is _____ _____	
	Phase 2 Advancement Criteria: *No positive drug test results (including missed tests, diluted tests, or tampered tests) for a minimum of 60 consecutive days. *No jail or community service sanctions for a minimum of 60 consecutive days. *Medication compliance for a minimum of 60 consecutive days. *No missed, unexcused appointments for 60 consecutive days. *No hospitalization for mental health reasons for 60 days *Phase 2 Completion Project: Must be approved prior to phase up.	

Reviewed by Coordinator on: _____ Approved by team on: _____

Phase III: Maintain

Name: _____ **Start Date:** _____

Case Manager's Name: _____

Eligible for Completion: 6-month minimum

Participants Initials	TASKS	CM's Initials
	I have meet with my case manager as requested	
	I have complied with treatment and case management plan	
	I have attended court as directed	
	I have been available for surveillance	
	I have complied with my curfew 8:30-6am	
	I am calling daily for drug screens and reporting as required.	
	<u>Phase 3 Advancement Criteria:</u> *To move to next phase, participant must be Sober for 90 days *Medication compliant for 90 days *No hospitalization for mental health reasons for 90 days *Jail and community service sanction-free for 90 days *Phase 4 Completion Project: Must be approved prior to phase up.	

Reviewed by Coordinator on: _____ **Approved by team on:** _____

Phase IV: Seek Independence

Name: _____ **Start Date:** _____

Case Manager's Name: _____

Eligible for Completion: 6-month minimum

Participants Initials	TASKS	CM's Initials
	I have meet with my case manager as requested	
	I have complied with treatment and case management plan	
	I have attended court at the court's discretion	
	I have been available for surveillance	
	I have complied with my curfew 9:30pm-6am	
	I am calling daily for drug screens and reporting as required.	
	<p><u>Phase 4 Advancement Criteria:</u> *I have been sober for 180 days *I have been medication compliant for 180 days *I have had no hospitalizations for mental health reasons for 180 days *I have been sanction free for 180 days *I have completed my Phase 4 Completion Project: Must be approved prior to graduation.</p>	

Reviewed by Coordinator on: _____ **Approved by team on:** _____

Phase V: Life Phase

Name: _____ **Start Date:** _____

Case Manager's Name: _____

Eligible for Completion: 6-month minimum

Participants Initials	TASKS	CM's Initials
	Report to court on the first court date of each month.	
	Comply with treatment as directed by your mental health clinician	
	Abstain from any illicit substances or medications not prescribed by your doctor. You may be required to submit to a drug screen upon request of the Resource Court team	
	Remain compliant with mental health medication recommendations.	
	Continue to practice your relapse prevention plan, attend regular recovery meetings, and maintain regular contact with your sponsor.	
	Please reach out if you need any support or services.	
	Reminders: You must complete the Life Phase in order to be eligible for a reduction or dismissal under a pre-adjudication agreement. . Participants who have already been sentenced and enter the Resource Court as a special condition of probation must complete the requirements of the Life Phase as part of the conditions of their probation.	

Reviewed by Coordinator on: _____ **Approved by team on:** _____

LIFE PHASE:

After your graduation ceremony, you will enter the Life Phase. You will be required, pursuant to the conditions of your Resource Court contract, to continue engaging in mental health and/or substance abuse treatment as recommended by your mental health clinician for the duration of the Life Phase. You will also be required to attend Resource Court on a monthly basis for a length of time agreed upon by the Resource Court team. Failure to follow the rules of Life Phase may result in the duration of the phase being extended by the Court team.

RESOURCE COURT RULES

1. You must not have or use drugs. This includes synthetic drugs (Bath Salts, Spice, Delta 8, 9 or 10, etc.), natural drugs and all alcohol products. All drug related items (including, but not limited to, rolling papers, incense, pipes, etc.) are prohibited.
2. All nicotine electronic vape pens must have the original packaging showing ingredients available at all times. You must not have or use other devices that contain ingredients outside of nicotine.
3. You must not use or have vitamins, supplements, detoxes, or cleanses without Permission of the Court, including, but not limited to, creatine powder, Vitapaks, Energy supplements, muscle builders, appetite controllers, water pills, or Performance and endurance supplements. You cannot use energy drinks or energy shots.
4. You must get approval from the court to donate to any plasma lab.
5. You must not have or use any guns. You may not have any weapons, instruments of crime, or contraband. "Weapon" means and includes any pistol, revolver, weapon designed or intended to propel a missile of any kind, or any dirk, bowie knife, switchblade knife, ballistic knife, any other knife having a blade of two or more inches, straight-edge razor, razor blade, spring stick, knuckles, whether made from metal, thermoplastic, wood, or other similar material, blackjack, any bat, club, or other bludgeon- type weapon, or any flailing instrument consisting of two or more rigid parts connected in such a manner as to allow them to swing freely, which may be known as a nun chahka, nun chuck, nunchaku, shuriken, or fighting chain, or any disc, of whatever configuration, having at least two points or pointed blades which is designed to be thrown or propelled and which may be known as a throwing star or oriental dart, or any weapon of like kind, and any stun gun or Taser. You must not use or possess BB guns or any other toy gun intended to look like an actual firearm.
6. You must be familiar with the laws, rules, and regulations of any location or facility where Resource Court-related activity will occur.
7. You must immediately report any drug use to the Resource Court Coordinator or Case Manager.
8. **You must seek the Court Coordinator's approval before ingesting any prescription drug or over-the-counter medication, including cold medicine.**

9. You may not go to places, in which alcoholic beverages are the primary item sold, i.e., bars, clubs, liquor stores.
10. Do not hang around people that use, sell, or have illegal drugs. Do not hang around people that are involved with law enforcement. This includes other family members on probation or parole, unless specifically approved by the court team. Associating with such a person includes contact with an individual in person, in writing, by phone, or by other electronic communication.
11. You must attend all program requirements. If you are going to be late or miss, you must contact the treatment facility/team member *before* the appointment to let them know **AND** you must contact the case manager to let them know; you must provide appropriate documentation in order for any absence to be excused. (This include treatment, case management, probation, etc.)
12. You must take all medication as recommended by your Medical Provider. You must not stop taking any prescribed medication without approval of your Medical Provider.
13. You must return all phone calls and/or text messages from the Court Team within twenty-four hours. You must also have voicemail available on your phone to allow the court team to leave a message. You must notify the Case Manager of any changes to your phone number within twenty-four hours. You must report all phone numbers and/or phones you use. You will not delete, modify, or otherwise tamper with your call and/or message history, or allow anyone else to do so while in the Resource Court program. If your phone is currently not working, you must provide a number that staff can reach you at until your phone is functional. You must not have more than one phone.
14. You must submit to drug screens/chemical tests as directed. You must maintain hair long enough to submit to a hair follicle test.
15. You must not provide adulterated drug screens, i.e., no diluted, tampered, or false specimens.
16. When the treatment team states it is appropriate for you to seek employment, you must then look, obtain, and maintain regular employment unless you have permission to use hours to obtain your GED, job skills training, or other skills training.
17. You may not accept a job or quit your job without first obtaining the permission of the Court Team.
18. You must be honest and must not provide false statements, verbally or in writing to any court representative.
19. You must comply with all local, state, and federal laws. You must immediately notify the Case Manager or Coordinator of any contact with law enforcement.
20. You will support any legal dependents to the best of your ability. This condition includes any child support that you may already be paying or may pay in the future.
21. You must behave in a respectful manner towards fellow participants and Resource Court team members.
22. You must maintain the confidentiality of other participants and of information disclosed in treatment and court hearings.
23. You must inform the coordinator of a potential new address prior to moving to that new address. You must also inform program staff of any new phone number or

employment status. Random written updates will be required. You may not change your residence without prior consent from the Team.

24. You must dress appropriately for treatment sessions and court appearances. i.e., no shorts, no sunglasses, hats, sleeveless t-shirts, muscle shirts, no bedroom slippers, mini-skirts, sexually suggestive clothing, gang attire, cigarettes behind ears, or clothing bearing offensive, violent, racist, sexist, drug or alcohol-related themes, or promoting/advertising alcohol.
25. You should not bring friends or family to treatment sessions without prior approval from the Treatment Provider.
26. Cell phones should not be used in the courtroom, in treatment, or in any or in any Resource Court-sanctioned activity.
27. You must comply with your curfew unless you are involved in an emergency, and/or have prior approval from the Resource Court Team. Any request to change must be received in writing one week prior to your next court date for the team to consider.
28. You must comply with all requirements imposed upon you by the Resource Court Team/Judge.
29. You must not enter into a romantic relationship with another participant; car rides and/or other means of transportation, regular meeting, and regular phone or in person communication between participants could be deemed a relationship by the Resource Court Team.
30. If you need to ride with another court participant to court events, you must submit a transportation plan to the court team for approval.
31. You must not live with any other court participants, unless such living arrangement is in a supervised treatment setting and approved by the treatment provider and the court team.
32. You must not enter into any financial arrangements with other court participants. Participants are not allowed to be supervised by another participant.
33. If you enter the Newton County Resource Court, you must reside in Newton County for the duration of the program. If you enter the Walton Resource Court, you must reside in Walton County for the duration of the program.
34. You must not have guests after your curfew unless approved by the court.
35. You must receive prior approval from the court before obtaining a pet. You must place your pet in either a kennel, outside in a fenced area or in another room when the Deputies arrive.
36. You must not do anything to undermine, circumvent, or manipulate the Court's efforts to supervise and/or treat you or any individual under Court supervision. Violations of this rule could include, but are not limited to, the following examples: Falsifying community service or recovery group attendance, requesting special favors from Court representatives, etc.
37. You are required to follow the rules and expectations of your housing placement.
38. No communication between current and former Resource Court participants outside of the Resource Court program, electronic or otherwise, unless approved by court Staff.

RESOURCES

Georgia Crisis and Access Line (GCAL):, Statewide 1-800-715-4225
Alcoholic's/Narcotic's Anonymous, Statewide 678-405-0840
Cocaine Hotline, Statewide 1-800-905-8666

Georgia Overdose Prevention, Statewide Website: Georgia Overdose Prevention

Physical Health

American Heart Association, Statewide 770-786-7053
AID Gwinnett (HIV/AIDS services), Statewide 770-962-8396
Help a Child Smile Mobile Dental Program 770-760-7900
Newton County Public Health, Newton 770-786-9086
Walton County Public Health, Walton 770-207-4125
Medlink, Serves Newton & Walton 770-266-0935
Willing Helpers Medical Clinic, Newton 770-784-0982
Clinica de Agave, Rockdale County 678-413-2026
Newton Medical Center, Newton 770-786-7053
Piedmont Walton Medical Center, Walton 770-267-8461
PeachCare (health insurance for children),Statewide 1-877-427-3224

Family Support

First Steps (Newborn education) 770-385-4396
Refuge Pregnancy & Resource Center 770-922-5939
American Red Cross 404-575-3060
The Community Food Pantry 770-784-0037
FaithWorks (utility assistance) 770-784-1884
Goodwill Industries 770-788-2298
Rainbow Covenant Ministries (homeless, food) 770-787-8519
Repairers of the Breach (thrift store), Serves Newton 678-625-7520
Salvation Army, Statewide 770-786-2107
Willing Helpers Food Ministry 678-342-3434
Meals on Wheels (food for homebound), Statewide 770-787-0038

Community Resources

Department of Family and Children Services Website: County DFCS

Georgia Department of Labor, Serves Newton & Walton	770-794-2455
State Probation Office	770-784-2700
Public Defender's Office Newton	770-788-3750
Public Defender's Office Walton	770-266-1540
District Attorney's Office Newton	770-784-2070
District Attorney's Office Newton	770-784-2069
Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA), Statewide	Website: Georgia DCA
Georgia Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), Statewide	Website: Georgia LIHEAP
United Way of Walton County	770-267-8871
Newton County Community Services	770-784-2900

Treatment

View Point Health, Serves Newton	678-209-2600
Advantage Behavioral Health Systems, Walton	770-267-8302
Academy for Family Empowerment, Newton	770-918-5003
Southeastern Psychological Associates, Serves Newton & Walton	678-712-6520
Care and Counseling of Newton, Serves Newton	770-922-3044
Medlink, Serves Newton & Walton	770-266-0935
Pathways Transition Programs, Serves Walton	404-378-2300
Social Empowerment Center, Newton & Walton	770-925-2095

Recovery Support

Ridgeview Institute, Detox, Serves Statewide	1-800870-5481
Celebrate Recovery, Serves Newton & Walton	770-786-2048
Walton Empowers, Serves Newton & Walton	770-266-6788
SMART Recovery	Website: SMART Recovery
Grit & Grace, located in Rockdale County	Zoom meeting https://us02web.soom.us/j/8543584201

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