

## DRUG COURT COORDINATOR

**Job Title:** Drug Court Coordinator

**Department:** Charles County Circuit Court

**Work Location:** La Plata, Maryland

**Starting Salary:** \$44,538.00 Annually

**Job Type:** Full-time; 37.5 Hours per Week

**Closing Date:** October 26, 2016

**Job Description Summary:** The Drug Court Coordinator is responsible for the day-to-day planning, development, management, monitoring, and coordination of the Charles County Circuit Court's problem-solving court program(s). Successful execution of the essential job functions requires a thorough knowledge of problem-solving court principles, addiction and mental health issues, ancillary service development, grant writing, budget preparation, and project management. The coordinator serves as a liaison with local and state court offices, treatment providers, social service agencies, community stakeholders, etc. Information obtained in the course of the performance of these duties may be confidential or private in nature. This grant-funded position works under the direct supervision of the Court Administrator, with general oversight provided by the Drug Court Judge and/or other judicial officers.

**Essential Functions:** Plan, implement, and monitor the day-to-day activities of the problem-solving court program(s) to ensure compliance with key drug court components and efficient, quality service delivery to the target population. In collaboration with team members, stakeholders, and local organizations, develop and implement a strategic plan that meets the long-term goals and objectives of the community and promotes program sustainability. Compose policies, procedures, goals, objectives, mission statements, etc. for use in informational brochures, presentations, and grants. Conduct grant research, writing, management, and periodic performance reporting. Plan and prepare budgetary estimates and justifications. Coordinate and approve drug court expenditures. Cultivate and maintain cooperative relationships with program and community stakeholders. Coordinate and facilitate interdisciplinary training for drug court team members. Organize and conduct community presentations. Identify service gaps and develop community resources. Collect and analyze data utilized for statistical and narrative reporting. Strategize plans for potential expansion of drug treatment courts or application of drug treatment court approaches to serve other populations. Promote team integrity and monitor quality assurance. Organize and disseminate drug court calendars and pre-court staffing information. Maintain confidential participant files. As an active member and representative of the drug court team, organize, attend, and participate in pre-court staffing, court hearings, conferences, meetings, and committees. Act as a liaison between judicial officers, court personnel, treatment providers, attorneys, members of the drug court team, funding agencies, and community organizations.

**Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities:** Availability to work a full-time court schedule of 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, with the flexibility to accommodate deviations from the standard work day. Possess a comprehensive working knowledge of all terminology, applicable laws, ordinances, policies, standards, and regulations pertaining to problem-solving court programs including: addiction; alcoholism; pharmacology; and cultural competency issues. Ability to develop and implement interim and long-term strategic plans for drug court operational efficiency and sustainability. Detail-oriented with excellent organizational abilities including time management, workload prioritization, and record-keeping accuracy in accordance with court policies and/or governmental regulations. Even temperament and strong interpersonal skills to effectively collaborate with community partners and work well with others in a team-oriented environment. Adept at planning, organizing, directing, and coordinating administrative activities for a program or organization. Aptitude for basic

mathematical and accounting principles. Ability to identify problems, collect data, establish facts, draw valid conclusions, and create viable solutions based thereon. Effective oral communication skills and the capacity to exercise a high degree of tact, diplomacy, professionalism, and competence in dealing with a wide variety of people. Superior writing skills with the versatility to accurately compose a variety of genres. Ability to simultaneously perform multiple tasks, with minimal supervision, and make independent decisions based on experience, good judgment, and established court policies and procedures. Discretion and sound judgment in working with sensitive information to maintain confidentiality. Proficiency with Microsoft Office, Uniform Case Management System (UCS), and Windows 7, with an aptitude for learning software programs related to various Drug Court functions.

**Education and Experience:** Requires a Bachelor's Degree from an accredited college or university in criminal justice, public or court administration, social work, psychology, sociology, public health, corrections, or other related field. Three years of progressively more responsible experience in a legal, clinical, or case management setting involving social services, mental health, or addiction services. Job-related experience may include project or program management in the fields of addictions, human/family services, health services, public safety, law enforcement, corrections, or court management. Direct drug court, grant writing, and community outreach experience is preferred. Candidate must have commensurate education, training, and/or experience demonstrating competence in the essential duties, knowledge, skills, and abilities.

The position is grant-funded, and continued employment is contingent upon the availability of funds awarded each fiscal year. Excellent benefits including a defined benefit pension plan, deferred compensation, generous leave, and health care programs. The Charles County Employee Pension Plan honors portability of prior eligible Maryland State and local government services in other defined benefit pension plans. Individuals interested in applying for the Drug Court Coordinator position can do so by accessing the Charles County Government website:

<http://www.charlescountymd.gov/hr/recruitment/recruitment>

In addition to completing the online application, candidates must provide a cover letter, current resume, and professional writing sample to be considered for this position. Alternatively, one's cover letter, application, resume, and writing sample may be mailed or hand-delivered to the Circuit Court for Charles County, Maryland, Attention: Deborah W. Zrioka, Court Administrator, Post Office Box 3060, La Plata, Maryland 20646. Applications, whether executed online or delivered, must be received by 4:30 p.m. on the closing date. Faxed copies or applications electronically-submitted to an individual's email address will not be accepted. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to sexual orientation, race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, or disability. Applicants who need an accommodation for an interview should request this in advance.