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Treatment Court Fiscal Responsibility

I. POLICY STATEMENT

It is the policy of the Minnesota Judicial Branch to provide quality service while exercising fiscal responsibility in the provision of treatment court services.

All treatment courts recognized under Judicial Council Policy 511 Treatment Courts shall exercise uniform fiscal reasonability to maximize cost savings and the efficient management of treatment court donations, incentives, fees, and treatment court expenditures.

II. TREATMENT COURT DONATIONS

Donations are important to the Judicial Branch Treatment Courts program to encourage the continued participant compliance and stability. The standard practices established in policies and procedures shall be employed by treatment court and financial staff to accept, track, disburse and report on monetary and non-monetary donations from treatment court donors.

III. TREATMENT COURT FEES

Treatment court fees collected and deposited by the courts will be managed in a fair and efficient manner, in accordance with Minn. Stat. § 357.42 (2007).

The purpose of treatment court fees is to facilitate participant accountability and investment in the treatment court program. While there is no obligation for a treatment court to assess a specific drug treatment court program fee, the limit for the fee is \$1,500 annually per participant.

All treatment court fees collected by the courts must be spent only on allowable treatment court program expenses as defined by State Court Administrator Policy and Procedure 511.2 (a); Treatment Court Expenses.

IV. TREATMENT COURT INCENTIVES

Treatment Court incentives encourage the continued participant compliance and stability. The standard practices established in policies and procedures shall be employed by treatment court and financial staff to accept, track, disburse and report on incentives.

V. IMPLEMENTATION AUTHORITY

Implementation of this policy shall be the responsibility of the chief judges of the respective judicial districts, and the State Court Administrator acting as agent for the Judicial Council.

VI. EXECUTIVE LIMITATIONS

None