How do I get into the Watertown Opioid Court?

If you are suffering from opioid addiction and you have a court case in Jefferson County, you can participate in the program. You can contact your attorney, the Credo Community Center or Watertown City Court to get more information.

Benefits of Opioid Court

We want to help you beat opioid addiction.

We want to help you stabilize and improve your current health and lifestyle.

This is a voluntary program.

During your participation in this program, the criminal case against you will be stayed.

If appropriate, defendants will be released from jail through the Pre-Trial Release program to participate in the court.

Important Telephone Numbers

Credo Community Center (315) 788-1530

Samaritan Addiction Services (315) 779-5074

Jefferson County
Department of Social Services
(315) 785-3000

Anchor Recovery Center of Northern New York (315) 836-3460

Crisis Response Hotline 24-Hour Free Service (Suicide Prevention and Other Services) (315) 782-2327

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Watertown Opioid Court

Hon. Anthony M. Neddo Watertown City Court Judge



Watertown City Court 245 Washington Street Watertown, NY 13601 Tel. (315) 785-7785

What is the Opioid Court?

In cooperation with the Credo Community Center, the Watertown Opioid Court is designed to help defendants with opioid-related substance abuse issues in Jefferson County. The court will identify defendants with opioid addictions, engage them in an appropriate treatment and help them stabilize.

The court started in August 2019 with the goals of assisting defendants with opioid-related dependency issues and saving lives.

Duration of Court

Typically, defendants will participate in the Opioid Court for a minimum of 90 days. The actual length of time will be determined by your success in the program, the input of your counselors and the judge.

Intervention Process

Once you have been identified for Opioid Court, an evaluation will be completed by the Credo Community Center.

Treatment will begin as soon as possible after your first court appearance.

Evaluations can be done for defendants currently incarcerated in the Jefferson County Correctional Facility.

Treatment options include but are not limited to:

- Medication Assisted Treatment (M.A.T.)
- Outpatient Treatment
- Inpatient Treatment
- Self-Help Meetings



What will be required in this program?

You will be required to:

- Take part in group and individual treatment, support care management and peer support services.
- Follow all of Credo's treatment recommendations.
- Submit to random and regular drug testing.
- Report to court every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at 1:00 p.m.
- Contact Watertown City Court at (315) 785-7785 if you cannot come to court.
- Comply with all terms and conditions of Pre-Trial Release.