

Sanctions and Incentives Revisited or Crafting “Response Guidelines”

You have refreshed your memory of the principles of behavior modification, learned about incentives and sanctions used by other districts, decided what behaviors are proximal or distal goals and considered the impact of an individual’s needs when deciding how to respond to individual behaviors. Now, it is time to revisit your incentives and sanctions “grid” or the “response guidelines” your team will use when working together to modify the behavior of the participants in your drug treatment court.

With your team, choose a behavior you will expect from your drug court participants and write it in the Target Behavior column. Considering the participant’s time in the program/phase, discuss and decide a RANGE of incentives and sanctions that you might employ to respond to the participant’s behavior.

Target Behavior	Achievement	First 30 Days	Phase I	Phase II	Phase III
Attend Treatment	Met Goal	Praise from Bench Applause Gift Certificate 30 day medallion	Praise from Bench Applause Gift Certificate 60 day medallion 90 day medallion	Expectation that participant attend 6 month medallion	Expectation that participant provide leadership at treatment group/aftercare 1 year medallion
	Did Not Meet Goal	Reprimand from Bench Pay provider for missed session(s) Individual treatment session Apology to treatment Assessment for increased treatment level “7 in 7” “14 in 14” 24 hours in jail	Reprimand from Bench Pay provider for missed session(s) Individual treatment session Apology to treatment Apology to Group Assessment for increased treatment level Increased case manager contact “7 in 7” “14 in 14” 24 or more hours in jail	Reprimand from Bench Withhold expected incentive Pay provider for missed session(s) Individual treatment session Essay Reflection on “triggers” Increased case manager contact “7 in 7” “14 in 14” “90 in 90”	

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