

## **Tiered System of Monitoring for MHC Participants**

- 1) Individuals should be notified (possibly at the time of signing participation agreement) that there will be expectations for behaviour and follow-thru on programs and failure to do so will likely result in some type of consequence from increased monitoring to directed projects.
  
- 2) When participants sign off on their *Support Plan* an additional condition should be made explicit that failure to adhere to the conditions and expectations of the plan could result in consequences that can include (but not limited to): increased monitoring, directed projects, curfew/house arrest, bail revocation, requirement of guilty pleas and ultimately termination from the MHC program (see note below).
  
- 3) When the MHC team reviews participant's progress they should explicitly reference the *Support Plan* and take note of what elements are being adhered to versus those that are not. This should include reference to attending community support meetings/programming, abstaining from substance use, attending MHC meetings including court appearances, participation in appropriate structured activity, etc. The degree to which a participant (within the limits of their current capabilities) is adhering to their *Support Plan* will be the basis upon which that individual is placed into one of the following tiers (at this point the tiers are only a decision-making heuristic for assisting the MHC team in determining appropriate interventions):

	<b>Exceeds Expectations</b>	<b>Meets Expectations</b>	<b>Below Expectations</b>
<b>Description</b>	The participant is following the support plan and doing well. There is evidence of ongoing motivation and moderate participation. No major issues with medication compliance, substance abuse, or suspected criminal activity.	The participant is mainly following support plan with minimal set-backs. Motivation to participate is fair.	The participant is failing to follow-thru on most, or all of the elements in the Support Plan. The participant shows little/no motivation to be an active participant in the program, is evidencing more substantive issues around med compliance, substance abuse, ongoing criminal activity, meetings are missed regularly.
<b>Outcome</b>	On positive track to graduation and/or completion.	Continue with direct supervision and monitoring of support plan.	Consider entering guilty pleas or removal from the MHC program.

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<b>Possible MHC Response</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Placed toward front of docket on MHC court appearances.</li> <li>2. Increase length of time between formal meetings with MHC team and appearances in MHC.</li> <li>3. Off Substance Use Screen (<b>SUS – see below</b>)</li> <li>4. No restrictions on liberty (i.e., curfew) and no explicit recommendation to account for time.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. On docket after Tier 1 participants.</li> <li>2. Maintain/Increase frequency of MHC appearances/appointments.</li> <li>3. Weekly log book/calendar to account for time to be prepared and reviewed with MHC during appearances/appointments.</li> <li>4. Maintain/Increase the SUS.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. On docket after first two tiers.</li> <li>2. Increased frequency of visits to MHC.</li> <li>3. Directed Projects.</li> <li>4. Enter guilty plea.</li> <li>5. Bail revocation.</li> <li>6. Curfew or house arrest.</li> <li>7. Weekly preparation of itinerary to be prepared and reviewed with MHC team or during court.</li> <li>8. On the SUS List.</li> <li>9. Termination from the Program.</li> </ol>

**Substance Use Screening List (SUS)**

Participants on the SUS List will be directed by the MHC Probation Officer to report for ‘Substance Use Screening’, testing days will vary.

If participant is advised that they must attend for substance screening on a particular day, failure to attend will be treated as a breach of their Support Plan and dealt with as per table above.

**Sanctioning:**

Substance Use ~ criteria for determining whether to test for substance use or not and look at pleas on the front end:

- Differentiate purpose of use- Addiction or Recreation
- Is the Index Offence a result of substance use (i.e.: DUI vs Theft)
- Does the Participant have a history of offences that involve substance use
- Is the substance use affecting their mental stability

<b>REWARDS</b>	<b>SANCTIONS</b>
Front of Docket Placement Decrease Court Appearance Dates No Drug Screening Appointments Decrease in Drug Screening Appointments Decrease in Appointments with MHC Team No Weekly Log Book Artwork/Poem for Court Room Wall Positive Personal Progress Remarks Removal of Weekly/Biweekly Call- ins to MHC No Directed Projects Decrease Treatment Groups Lower Charges or Dismissal of Charges Decrease/Remove Curfew No House Arrest Bail	End of Docket Placement Increase Court Appearance Dates Drug Screening Appointments Increase in Drug Screening Appointments Increase in Appointments with MHC Team Weekly Log Book Weekly Itinerary (review with MHC Team or Judge) Announce negative feedback in court Weekly/Biweekly Calls-ins to MHC Office Directed Projects Re-visit/Increase Treatment Group Enter Guilty Pleas Impose/Increase Curfew House Arrest Bail Revocation Termination from the Program