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- Rocky Boy Health Center- Wahpikisik Integrated Health
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- Chippewa Cree's Vocational Rehabilitation Program
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"REENTRY REFERS TO THE TRANSITION OF OFFENDERS FROM PRISONS OR JAILS BACK INTO THE COMMUNITY"

Reentry Program

"You can choose to become the best version of yourself."

WHAT IS THE GOAL OF REENTRY?

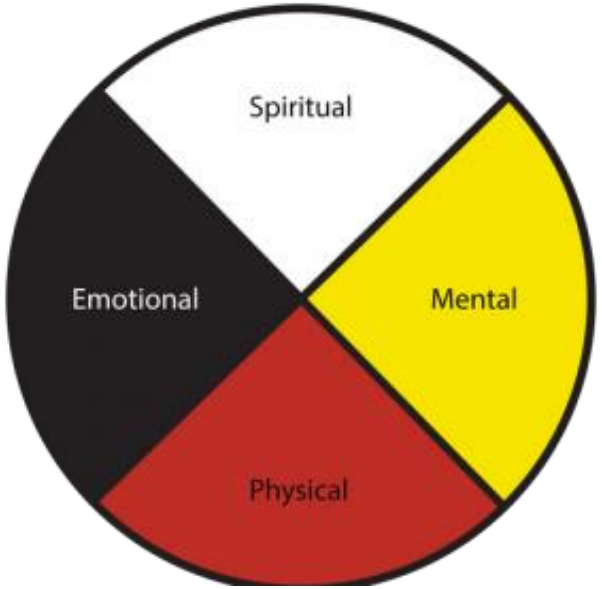
Our mission is to successfully help offenders (reentrants) reintegrate back into our community. It's a reintroduction to society in a respectful and healthy self-sustaining way.

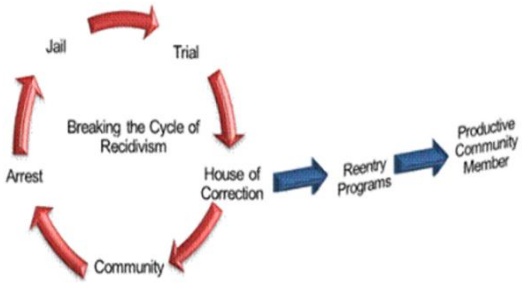
Reentry's purpose is to provide intervention and treatment for reentrants who want to make positive life changes and break the cycle of recidivism.

Our program generally takes 9 – 12 months to complete. Reentrants progress in phases.

The Reentry Program provides access to holistic, structured, and phased treatment and rehabilitation services that are inclusive of our unique culture and traditions. Traditional concepts of justice and healing are incorporated into each offender's treatment plan.

Traditional healing modalities are offered and encouraged, as these practices have proven highly effective in the treatment of alcohol and substance abuse in Native people.





What is recidivism and how is it measured?

Recidivism refers broadly to re-offending, with the most common measurements including re-arrest, re-conviction, and/or re-incarceration. Recidivism rates measure the frequency with which individuals re-engage with the criminal justice system within a defined time period.
Although harder to quantify, acts of misconduct that do not result in official sanctions may also be considered when measuring recidivism.

How can we help?

Our program can help with the challenges by offering a structured path toward successful

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INTRODUCTION:

The Reentry Program (REP) Community Partners:

This handbook is designed to answer questions, address concerns, and provide overall information about the Reentry Program (REP). This handbook will review general information, the program requirements and what is expected of participant as an REP participant. Participants are encouraged to share this handbook with participants' family and friends. The primary purpose of the REP is to provide intervention and treatment for participants who want to make positive life changes and break the cycle of recidivism. This program wants to support and encourage participants to successfully acclimate back into the community.

If participant questions are not answered in this handbook, please do not hesitate to ask the REP staff. The information contained in this handbook may be updated and participants will be informed of any changes.

- Chippewa Cree Law Enforcement Services
- Chippewa Cree Health Center
    - White Sky Hope Center
    - White Sky Hope Lodge (Women's/Men's)
    - Behavioral Health
- Chippewa Cree Human Services Division
    - Chippewa Cree Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)
    - Chippewa Social Services
    - Chippewa Cree Child Support Services
- Chippewa Cree Tribal Enforcement Rights Office/Workforce Investment Act Education and training
- Stone Child College
- Chippewa Cree Tribal Elders
- Lutheran Church

Mission Statement:

The mission of the Reentry Program is to successfully help you reintegrate back into your community and help you become successful. Your past does not define you and you are important. Not everyone has the same needs. They can differ to your gender, upbringing, holistic beliefs, trauma experienced. We will help identify problem areas and connect you with the resources needed to achieve success into everyday life.

Goal of Reentry Program:

The Reentry Program (REP) goal is to implement a smooth reentry process and enhance the offender's ability to succeed by providing access to enhanced treatment and critical support services to improve the quality of services based on individual needs assessment.

1. REP Team is comprised of criminal justice staff, treatment providers, and other direct service providers. These team member work together, making a coordinated effort to pool and utilize community healing resources to assist individuals in achieving physical and spiritual healing, and ensure the safety of the community.
2. Participants enter the REP program through referral as early in the release process as possible. They may enter post- adjudication, depending on the circumstances. The due process rights of participants are protected in every instance.
3. Eligible offenders are identified through an early legal screening tool, assessment and placed promptly into the program. Legal screening Tool and CAIS is administered by Program Coordinator and Probation Officer. Clinical Assessment will be completed to diagnose and create a treatment plan, including treatment for co-occurring disorders, were applicable.
4. The REP provides access to holistic, structured, and phased treatment and rehabilitation services that are inclusive of our unique culture, language, and traditions. Traditional concepts of justice and healing are incorporated into each offender's treatment plan. Traditional healing modalities are offered and encouraged, as these practices have proven highly effective in the treatment of alcohol and substance abuse in Native people. The services are highly coordinated and supervised by court staff to ensure compliance with treatment plans.
5. All program participants are required to submit to frequent, mandatory, random testing for drugs and alcohol. There are no exceptions to this element of the program. Our drug testing procedure is based on established guidelines and is reliable and tightly controlled for quality assurance and integrity of results. Results are promptly available to quickly respond to non-compliance. A coordinated response to positive or missed tests is put into place immediately upon receipt of results. High Rick offenders may be required to wear SCRAM bracelets.
6. Strict, progressive sanctions and rewards and communication with probation are used to encourage program compliance. These must be consistent and predictable. Sanctions or a bad report to you probation officer may include revocation, demotion to earlier plan phases, increased drug/alcohol testing, community service, increased monitoring, fines, increased program duration, jail confinement, and termination from program resulting in jail time. Rewards may include tokens of progress, community recognition, reduced supervision, traditional gifts, reduced fines, dismissal of TRIBAL charges, reduction of probation, reduced/ suspended incarceration, and graduation. The intensity of sanctions/rewards depend on the severity of the noncompliance, or the breadth of successful progress demonstrated by the participant.
7. Judicial interaction with participant and judicial involvement with team staff occurs continuously. The REP Judge participants during case staffing and has thorough awareness of alcohol and drug treatment. The judge calls regular status hearings to gauge participants' progress. The judge responds to both positive and negative participant behaviors in a timely and consistent manner and continuously reinforces handbook policies and procedures.
8. Constant monitoring and evaluation activities occur to provide information for continual improvements to the program, gauge participant progress, and compile evaluative information for the community and the funding agency. The Reentry program will utilize the FullCourt case management database system and CAIS. The data is used to measure client and program progress toward our established goals and objectives and to satisfy the

Performance Measures specified by BJA. The Project Coordinator will use compiled data to complete our progress reports and develop interim and final reports.

9. REP staff and team members continuously receive supplemental education and training to assist in the effectual planning, implementation, and maintenance of the Reentry program. Our key personnel and Team Members are all uniquely qualified to implement the project. We ensure that personnel and Team Members attend the proper training and seminars, as well as conduct cross-training among team members. We understand how important it is to remain abreast of new developments in the justice and treatment fields. The importance of cultural awareness/appropriateness is also stressed, and training provided on these topics, if necessary. Team members are also Elders from the Chippewa Cree Tribe.
10. REP works to continuously strengthen the communication, coordination, and cooperation of the REP team, the tribal community, and relevant organizations to ensure program success. Team Members meet monthly with the Wellness Coalition to report progress and collaborate resources. Partnerships between courts, law enforcement and treatment providers are strengthened for maximum program benefits. Community input and involvement is continuously solicited.

(TRIBAL/FEDERAL/STATE) Program Description:

The REP is a court/probation supervised program. The REP handles offender's reentry into the community. REP is a component of the Chippewa Cree Tribal Court and follows as deferred prosecution procedure (for tribal participants). In State and Federal matters, the program can help be a guiding factor in the participants parole decision or used as a sanction within state/federal probation. If participant successfully completes the mandatory components, the (tribal) charges may be dropped with no further criminal prosecution. Participant has been sentenced to become a part of the REP, and we encourage participant active participation. REP provides comprehensive case management services as an option to facing long term criminal charges and extensive fines and/or probation. Our services include case processing, compliance with sentencing, intervention, monitoring, and referrals. The Case Management Plans are individualized and continue through the length of all phases of the program.

The Chippewa Cree Health and Wellness Center will provide treatment services to address participant health needs. Other Tribal programs, community-based organizations, educational institutions, and elders will assist in helping participant address participant personal goals and social needs.

The Chippewa Cree Tribal Judge will oversee tribal participant progress and compliance, along with the REP Team. Federal and State Probation participants will be overseen by their assigned Probation Officers as well as the REP team. The individuals on the Team are Judge, Probation Officer, White Sky Hope Center, Human Services Representatives, Health and Wellness Center Counseling Representatives, and REP Staff.

AWHP Team Members and MOU Partnership:

Judge	• Will hear all adult offender court cases, offer constant judicial oversight of tribal participants, and attend weekly staffing for the Reentry Program. • Will provide supervision and support to help reduce recidivism; review reports; encourage client compliance; respond to non-compliance.
Prosecutor	• Is responsible for referring and pre and post-trial defendants participating in the program. If a client is unsuccessful in meeting the program requirements, the prosecutor will pursue original charges per court procedure. • File any and all motions including sanctions.
Executive Director/Court Administrator	• Will provide oversight, management, supervision, and reporting functions. • Wil contribute 10% of her time to the project on an in-kind basis. • Serves as the REP team member.
Program Coordinator	• responsible for day-to-day administration of the project facilitate EBT, coordination of services with partners, reporting, and overall project management. • Serves as a CCT Wellness Coalition member.
Probation/Enforcement officer	• Is responsible for monitoring clients to ensure they are in compliance with program requirements. • File all client narratives to prosecution.
Public Defender	• Is responsible for defending clients during court hearings. • File all motions on behalf of clients.
Law Enforcement Department	• Report violations or incidents involving clients. • Assists monitoring clients and administering BAC's

Rocky Boy Health Center	• Provides local physical and mental health services. • Provides out-patient substance abuse treatment services. • Responsible for screening, assessment, and treatment plan development. • Provides clients with access to health and fitness activities, as prescribed by their treatment plans. • Behavioral Health will conduct mental health screening, assessment, and treatment plan development and hold one on one client counseling services and therapeutic mental health treatment as needed. • White Sky Hope Center will conduct screening, assessment, and treatment plan development. Will provide culturally appropriate substance abuse treatment and recovery support for clients using the Matrix Model
Chippewa Cree Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)	• Provides services for participants who are eligible, including but not limited to GED preparation, parenting classes, family activities and testing and driver's license program. Coordinate and host wrap around services.
Chippewa Cree Business and Judicial Committee	• Chippewa Cree Business Committee serves as the Governing body and appoints the Judicial Committee and serves as a liaison to the Chippewa Cree Tribal Court.
CCT Vocational Rehabilitation	• Employment assistance and referrals.
CCT Wellness Coalition	• Provides collaboration to identify needed services for offenders and families in the community. • Serves as the advisory board for the HTW program.

Chippewa Cree Tribal Elder	• Elder is partnered with the offender to conduct traditional teachings and cultural awareness. • The offender must spend significant time with the elderly throughout the length of participants program.

Eligibility for the REP:

Persons charged with any offense.
Assessment tools for evaluation will include SUDDS V, MAST, DAST and CAIS diagnostic tests to determine the participant's criminal history severity. The Reentry Program Coordinator will determine the participant's DSM-V diagnosis, and recommendations will be made for the participant's level of care and build their case plan.

Eligibility is also determined by a screening process that is defined and described in the program admission guidelines. Those individuals who screen as eligible for the program must be accepted by the team. They may be referred to by law enforcement, the Tribal Prosecutor, probation office, court staff, judge, foreign court, or a combination of these agencies, and require a vote by the Reentry Program Court team.

Participant Court Records

The participant court records and/or judicial proceedings will be considered in determining eligibility. Each participant case file will include dated intake forms, application, orders, drug tests, CAIS, phase progress, and graduation date.

How REP Works:

In the weekly staffing the REP Compliance Officer will give the REP team a progress report. The report will include progress or problem areas on participant treatment plan, attendance, and participation in the various REP services. A record of payment of any court-imposed fees, restitution, and results of drug tests will also be reported.

The REP Staff will make field contacts to verify participant residence, schooling and/or employment. During a home visit, staff will walk through participant residence to verify compliance with the REP conditions and may talk with participant family members, teachers, mentors, or other members of the community to evaluate participant progress. Staff will review any reports from law enforcement or other departments regarding contacts they made with you. Participants will be required to give random alcohol/drug tests. Random drug testing will be used with participants.

If a participant is doing well, the participant will be encouraged and supported to continue with the program toward successful completion. If a participant is not doing well, the Compliance Officer will discuss this with the participant and the REP Team to determine further action. The role of the REP Team is to assist participants in achieving their goals set in the case plan and reduce further criminal engagement to help break the cycle of recidivism. The Judge may change the requirements of participant treatment plan and the length participant spends in each phase based upon REP team recommendations and CAIS treatment plan. The Judge may also impose sanctions for non-compliance.

Getting Started and Phases:

Anyone can make a self-referral or a referral to the Tribal Court Judge, Prosecutor, Public Defender. Participant will complete an initial screening and intake with the REP Staff that includes participant understanding of the contents of this Handbook. Assessments and interviews resulting in a comprehensive, individualized treatment plan that may include Inpatient, Outpatient treatment, stabilization, monitoring, individual and group counseling, substance abuse education, family counseling, relapse prevention, specialized treatment tracks, life skills groups, and regular attendance at other therapeutic support groups. To also include further participants education and encourage offender/victim healing and offender/community healing. Participant comprehensive, goal-oriented treatment plan will be specific, individualized, and time-linked, reviewed in regular intervals. To include cultural, educational, vocational active learning practices. (Per REP treatment plan individual goals/objectives.) Participant will have random ongoing alcohol/drug testing throughout the program. REP Staff will do random scheduled weekly: home visits, work site visits. If a participant is attending school (College, GED, High School) a current schedule must be turned in to the staff for verification purposes. If needed and it will be identified and voted on by the REP team in weekly staffing if the client is needing wrap around services.

Program Rules/Components:

Mandatory Components

1. Intake, application
2. Sobriety
3. Court appearances
4. Random drug testing
5. Education or employment requirements
6. Contact with Probation/Enforcement Officer and Program Coordinator
7. White Sky Hope Center Assessment and follow all recommendations.
8. Behavioral health assessment and follow all recommendations.
9. Recreational activities that promote sobriety
10. Recovery or support groups
11. Participate in wrap around services if identified as a need by REP team

Discretionary Components

1. Parenting class
2. Physical fitness activities
3. Recreation activities
4. Community Participation
5. Traditional and Cultural Ceremonies
6. MAT Program (Medication assisted treatment)
7. Meet and work with assigned elders.

The REP is a 9–12-month program with 4 phases:

Phase l: Orientation (minimum 90 days)

- Client intake is processed by the court and the REP Team, at which time the program agreement or contract is signed by the necessary parties.
- Correctional Assessment Information System (CAIS) will be administered by the Probation Officer.
- The MRT and Journaling will be implemented and facilitated by REP coordinator.
- Weekly counseling sessions with the clinical psychologist and traditional healers will occur as needed determination of therapist.
- Random drug testing is conducted twice a week.
- REP Team meets on a weekly basis.
- 30 consecutive days of sobriety.
- After ninety days the team meets to decide if the client is ready to move to Phase ll

Phase ll: Intensive Treatment (minimum of 90 days)

- Counseling is based upon individualized treatment plan.
- Random drug testing is conducted twice a week.
- Random weekly home and work site visits performed.
- REP Team continues to meet on a weekly basis.
- 45 consecutive days of sobriety.
- After 90 days, the team meets to decide if the client is ready to move to Phase III

Phase III: Maintenance (minimum of 60 days)

- Continue with mandatory WSHC program requirements.
- Bi-Weekly random drug testing.
- Continue attending groups: Self-help NA, AA, Morning Mediation, Matrix, and Early recovery skills, talking circle, cultural, family and fitness activities. As well as traditional/cultural activities.
- Continue educational, vocational activity for GED, self-improvement, Driver's license, employment, etc.
- 60 consecutive days of sobriety.

Phase IV: Transition (minimum of 30 days)

- Drug testing is reduced to monthly.
- Required to receive mentoring training and attend weekly group meetings with other individuals to act as a mentor. (During these meetings, clients will discuss obstacles or concerns they have beyond graduation from the program.)
- Present aftercare plan to REP compliance officer
- At the end of phase, a final evaluation is made by the team, with commendations and incentives given to honor successful participants.
- 90 consecutive days of sobriety.

- Graduation

REP Court Rules:

Participant must appear in person before the REP Judge when REP team goes into weekly staffing and identifies the need for the client to go before the judge which will be passed by vote. Participant is not excused from attending court appearances. **ONLY IN EMERGENCIES AND PRIOR 24-HOUR APPROVAL FROM THE COMPLIANCE OFFICER AND/OR PROJECT COORDINATOR CAN A PARTICIPANT BE EXCUSED FROM REENTRY COURT. REENTRY COURT IS MANDATORY.** Participant must remain in meeting until the compliance officer dismisses participant from meeting.

No electronic devices (including cellphones, iPad, etc.) are allowed in the meeting while the meeting is in session. Appropriate dress/clothing only allowed in meetings. Vulgar, inappropriate language, actions, threats, fighting will not be tolerated in or near Reentry meetings.

LACK OF TRANSPORTATION IS NOT EXCUSED OR ACCEPTED.

Incentives

These incentives are responses to compliance, perceived as a positive by the receiver. The REP Compliance Officer will reward participants with incentives for complying with the program requirements based on their own discretion and recommendations from the REP team. Incentives may include any of the following:

Incentives

Lower Level Incentives		**Mid-level Incentives**		**High Level Incentives**	
Verbal Praise		Reduced Supervision		Day Trips	
Small Tangible Rewards		Reduced Community Restrictions		Travel Privileges	
Recognition		Moderated Tangible Rewards		Representative	
Symbolic Rewards		Enhanced Status		Large Tangible Rewards	
Posted Accomplishments		Self Improvement Services		Legal Incentives	

Attending REP meetings during 1st 2 weeks after release		Attending every REP meeting during first 3 months		Never missed REP meeting beginning to graduation	
Making Arrangements for all appointments during 1st week after release	Keeping & attending all appointments during the 1st month on HTW	Keeping & attending all appoints during the 1st 3 months on HTW			
Negative UA during 1st 24 hours of release from RBPD	Negative UAs during 1st 2 wks	All negative UAs during 1st 30 days			

*All incentives points are to be subtracted from sanction points accrued weekly.

Sanctions

These sanctions will usually be followed in order as numbered; However, the Compliance Officer has the right to alter any according to the circumstances. The REP Coordinator does not give up their discretion or independence ultimately, when a consequence must be imposed due to an REP participant noncompliance behavior it is the team's decision.

Drug Use Sanctions

Infraction	**Sanction**								
Drug Use	**Minor Sanctions 1-2 occurrences**			**Moderate Sanctions 2-3 occurrences**			**Major Sanctions 3 or more occurrences**		
Untimely UA with neg. results		**And 1 or more of the following**	-Admonition		**And 1 or more of the following**	-House arrest		**And 1 or more of the following**	-jail
Missed UA			-Letter of apology			-SCRAM monitoring			-Termination
Positive UA-Admission of use prior									
Positive UA-denial of use prior			-essay			-Repeat phase			-includes minor and moderate sanctions
Submitting (or attempted tainted/diluted-sub sample			-community service			-increase contacts w/case manager			

Misuse of prescription/OTC drugs			-curfew -lengthen phase -increase UAs			-increase court appearances -increase court appearances -increase UAs -Fine			
Use of prescription drug w/o notification									

Behavior Sanctions

Infraction	**Sanction**								
Behavior	**Minor Sanctions** **1-2 occurrences**			**Moderate Sanctions** **2-3 occurrences**			**Major Sanctions** **3 or more occurrences**		
Lying		**And 1 or more of the following**	Admonitions Letter of apology Essay Dress code Community Service Curfew		**And 1 or more of the following**	-House arrest -SCRAM bracelet -Repeat phase -Increase contacts with case manager -no contact or association		**And 1 or more of the following**	Jail Termination Includes minor and moderate sanctions
Inappropriate/disrespectful Disruptive attitude/behavior									
Use of Inappropriate language or gestures									
Inappropriately dressed at court or cultural activities									
Negative Behavior w/police with admission									
Negative behavior w/police w/o admission									
Missed court ordered appointment									
Unfulfilled employment/school requirement-absent evidence of good faith effort									

Unsuccessful termination from inpat. Or other TX related facility			Increase contact w/case manager			Increase court appearances			
Conviction of serious offence class I or II criminal offense/comparative or class C traffic or comparative			Lengthen phase Frequent home visits			Includes minor sanctions			
Threatening behavior against participant, staff, committee member or their family	**Automatic Dismissal From REP**								

Attendance Sanctions

Infraction	**Sanction**								
Attendance	**Minor Sanctions 1-2 occurrences**			**Moderate Sanctions 2-3 occurrences**			**Major Sanctions 3 or more occurrences**		
Late for meeting		**And 1 or more of the following**	Admonition		**And 1 or more of the following**	House arrest		**And 1 or more of the following**	Jail
Missed meeting									
Late for TX session			Letter of apology			SCRAM bracelet			Termination
Missed TX session									
Excused from TX session			Essay			Repeat phase			Includes minor and moderate sanctions
Failure to complete TX assignment			Community service						
Late for REP ordered activity						Increase contacts w/case manager			
Missed REP ordered activity			Curfew						
Curfew violation			X 2 assignment			Increased court attendance			
Violation of house arrest									
Missed AA/NA meeting			Increase UAs						

Forging 12 step attendance form			Repeat current 12 step Lengthen curfew			Community service Fine			
Absconding from program/placement	Gone 1 day – 2 weeks			Gone 2 -6 weeks			Gone 6 weeks or more		
							Termination		

Relationship

Infraction	**Sanction**								
Relationships	**Minor Sanctions 1-2 occurrences**			**Moderate Sanctions 2-3 occurrences**			**Major Sanctions 3 or more occurrences**		
Violation of court order prohibiting contact with another person		**And 1 or more of the following**	Admonition Letter of apology Essay Community service Curfew Increase contact		**And 1 or more of the following**	House arrest Home visits Repeat phase		**And 1 or more of the following**	Jail
Violation of Confidentiality			Increase w/case mgr Lengthen phase	Termination from Program		Increase contact appearances Increase UAs	Termination from Program		Jail Termination Includes minor and

			Increase UAs Repeat current 12 step			Fine Includes minor sanctions			moderated sanctions

Termination:

The goal of the Chippewa Cree Tribe Reentry Program is for each participant to successfully work through each of the treatment phases to graduation. However, from time to time, a participant may be unable or unwilling to commit to the treatment process and it may be necessary to terminate the participant from the program.

Voluntary Termination

A participant may elect to be terminated from the program at any time. The court shall determine that the decision to be terminated from the program is voluntarily, intelligently, and knowingly made. Upon such determination, the case will be referred to the tribal Court and the Prosecutor's office for stipulated trial, entry of the conviction(s) and for sentencing or revocation.

Involuntary Termination

A participant may be involuntarily terminated from the program with discrepancy by the REP team and Judge. Participants are required to actively participate in his or her treatment plan, if the participant fails to comply with his or her treatment plans and mandatory components throughout the program. The participant may be automatically terminated from the program, if the participant engages in a conduct that REP Judge finds to be extremely inappropriate or if the participant is convicted of an offense of sufficient serenity he or she may be immediately terminated from the program. Upon such a determination, the case will be referred to the Tribal Court.

Compliance and Accountability:

Compliance means acting in accordance with a request, order, or rule.

- Financial Responsibility:
  Participant may be responsible for any treatment costs and court-imposed fines as required by the Judge. Failure to maintain financial arrangements may result in program non-compliance. Payment of all fees, fines and restitution is viewed as taking personal responsibility for participant actions. If financial obligations are part of participant treatment plan, then a satisfactory payment plan must be arranged with the Judge.
- Participation:
  All REP services require active participation and self-disclosure.
- Contract Compliance:
  Participants are expected to abide by the conditions set forth in the REP contract, the treatment plan, and any other program components, including taking direction from the REP Compliance Officer. Violation of any terms of the contract and any illegal behavior will immediately be reported to the Judge who will make the final decision regarding a course of action.

Accountability means taking personal responsibility for actions and/or behaviors that has proven to be a most important aspect to treating alcohol/drug addicted individuals. Honesty and taking responsibility for participant behaviors are strong indicators of accountability. An open and positive working relationship with participant treatment counselor and the REP Staff is critical for participant success in the REP.

Confidentiality:

The REP conducts all status hearings in an open courtroom. Federal laws and regulations, as maintained by any substance abuse program, including the REP, protect the confidentiality of the identity of substance abuse treatment participants and their records. Generally, the Program may not say to a person outside the Program that attends the Program or disclose any information identifying participant without participant consent. **The confidentiality an exchange of information between the Reentry Program team members shall be governed by regulation specified in the consent forms and applicable to Rocky Boy Health Board's regulations, including Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPPA)**

The REP includes people and organizations outside any specific substance abuse program, and it is necessary that each member of the Team be able to communicate with each other about participant progress. Therefore, participants are required to sign the Consent for Disclosure of Confidential Substance Abuse Information Form which allows the Team communication.

REP Staff are not allowed to release any information to third parties except in the interest of participant participation in the REP. There are exceptions to Staff confidentiality, and they include: concern that participant would harm participant self; concern that participant would harm someone else; a report of ongoing child abuse; or disclosed information about a reportable criminal activity.

Education, Vocation, and Employment

Part of the reentry process is acclimating back into the community in a respectful, healthy way of a self-sustaining lifestyle. Which could involve developing self-sufficiency and becoming a responsible and accountable person who can make meaningful contributions to family and community. Prior to graduation from the REP, participants will be encouraged to be employed, in college or in a training program except under special circumstances. Local programs are available to assist for possible education, training, and job placement.

Graduation:

Once a participant has successfully completed Phase 4 of the program, maintained continuous sobriety, accomplished all the goals and objectives defined in participant treatment plan, participant is eligible for graduation form the REP. The REP Team will have the final recommendations about proceeding with graduation depending on participant compliance and involvement with participant treatment.

Each graduation in the REP is a significant event. In recognition of the importance of participant success, the REP Staff will take the time to make the graduation ceremonies reflect participant hard work and the significance of the participant accomplishment. At the graduation, the REP Judge will dismiss the pending charge(s).

Conclusion

The Reentry Program is based upon the understanding that recidivism can be successfully addressed, and the risk of reoffending can be avoided. The success of REP is built on the fact that the post-arrest period can provide for a particularly good opportunity for a treatment plan that will break the recidivism cycle.

The REP will support participants in achieving successful acclimation into the community and assist participants in becoming productive and responsible person in the community. Participant must be motivated to make this change commit to a goal oriented cultural way of life. This will be hard work on the participant continuous commitment to actively participate in their own sobriety, healing and reintegration is required. Participant is worth the effort, and we are behind participant 100%.

Glossary of Terms Used in this Publication.

Legal Screening:
A process to decide if the prospective participant meets the eligibility criteria for the reentry court related to criminal history, type and severity of offense and other criteria as defined by the team during initial planning.

Deferred Prosecution:
A deferred prosecution is a voluntary alternative to adjudication in which a prosecutor agrees to grant amnesty in exchange for the defendant agreeing to fulfill requirements of Reentry Program by graduating from the program the prosecution will deferred charging the defendant and motions to dismiss the charges.

Deferred Sentencing:
The term that is given to a delayed sentence of jail, fine and/or probation. If participant fulfills the Reentry requirements and graduates from the program the sentence will be deferred and will include jail, fines, and probation. ONLY IF PARTICIPANT IS A TRIBAL COURT PARTI

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