



Drug Treatment Court

Community Context

Population – 179,946

Geographic size – 4,249 square km

Pattern of health care

- 1 Specialized Hospital (BMHC)

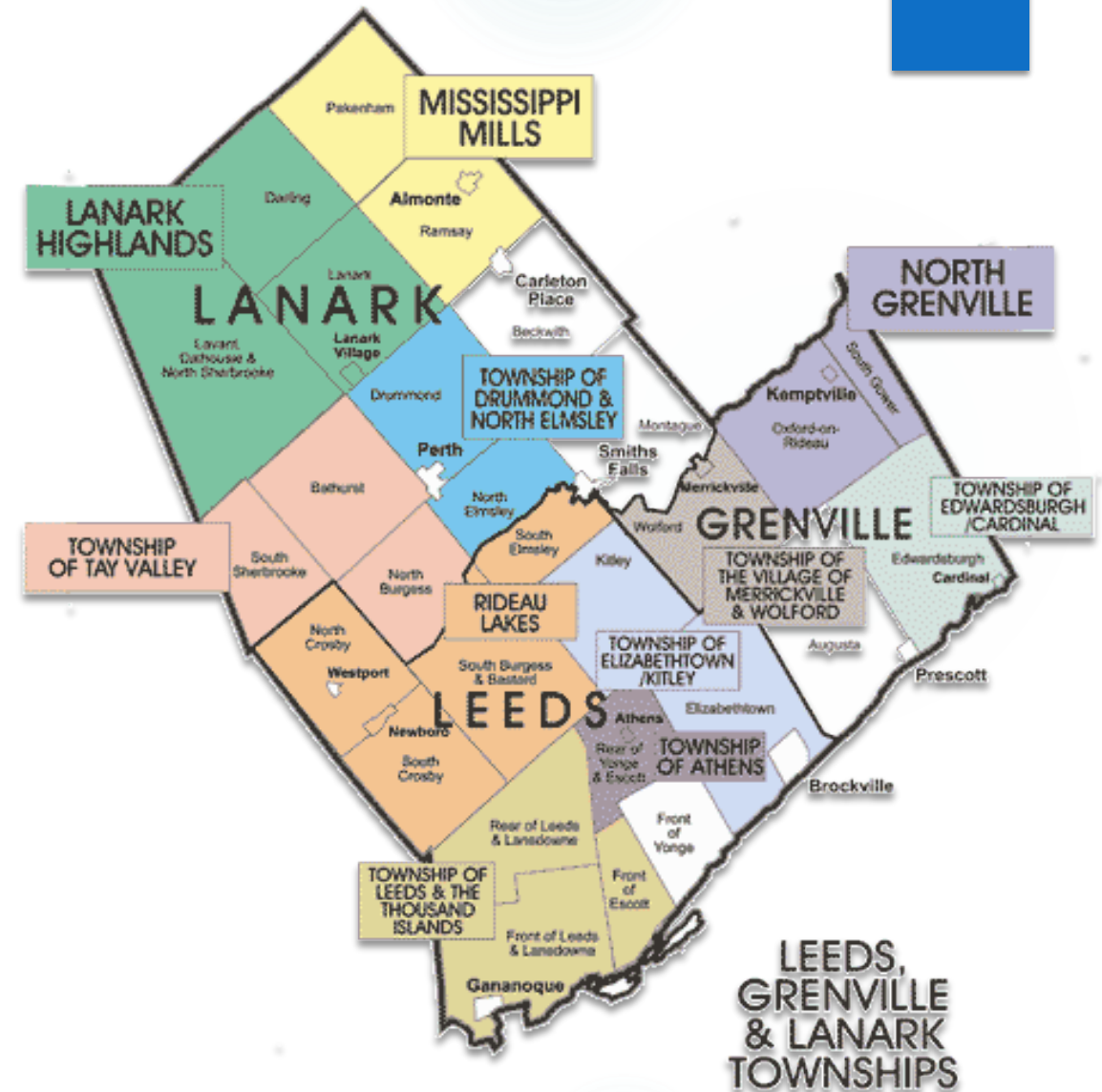
- 1 General Hospital Schedule 1 facility

- Concurrent Disorder Stabilization Unit (2022)

No withdrawal management

Police Detachments

- 8 OPP locations, 3 local police depts



Background

- Developed in 2016 through the initiative of Justice Peter Wright in collaboration with:
 - Provincial & Federal Crowns
 - Defense Counsel
 - Duty Counsel
 - Probation
 - Lanark Leeds-Grenville Addictions & Mental Health (LLGAMH)
- Accredited in 2019 by the Attorney General which allows for discretionary outcomes for mandatory minimums

Program Overview

Referral

- Submitted by Defense counsel & applicant
- Initial review by crown – must approve to continue

Assessment

- Initial consult with treatment team to assess suitability
- Ongoing assessment once accepted

Treatment

- Intensive Drug Outpatient Treatment (iDOT)
- Vocational support
- Psychiatric follow-up

Transition and Reintegration

- Transition to community services as needed

Admission Criteria

Individuals before the court must exhibit the following to be considered for referral.

1. Self-identified substance use issue, and;
2. Current drug-inspired charges, and;
3. Demonstrated motivation and willingness to receive treatment and must be willing to abide by conditions and expectations of the program.

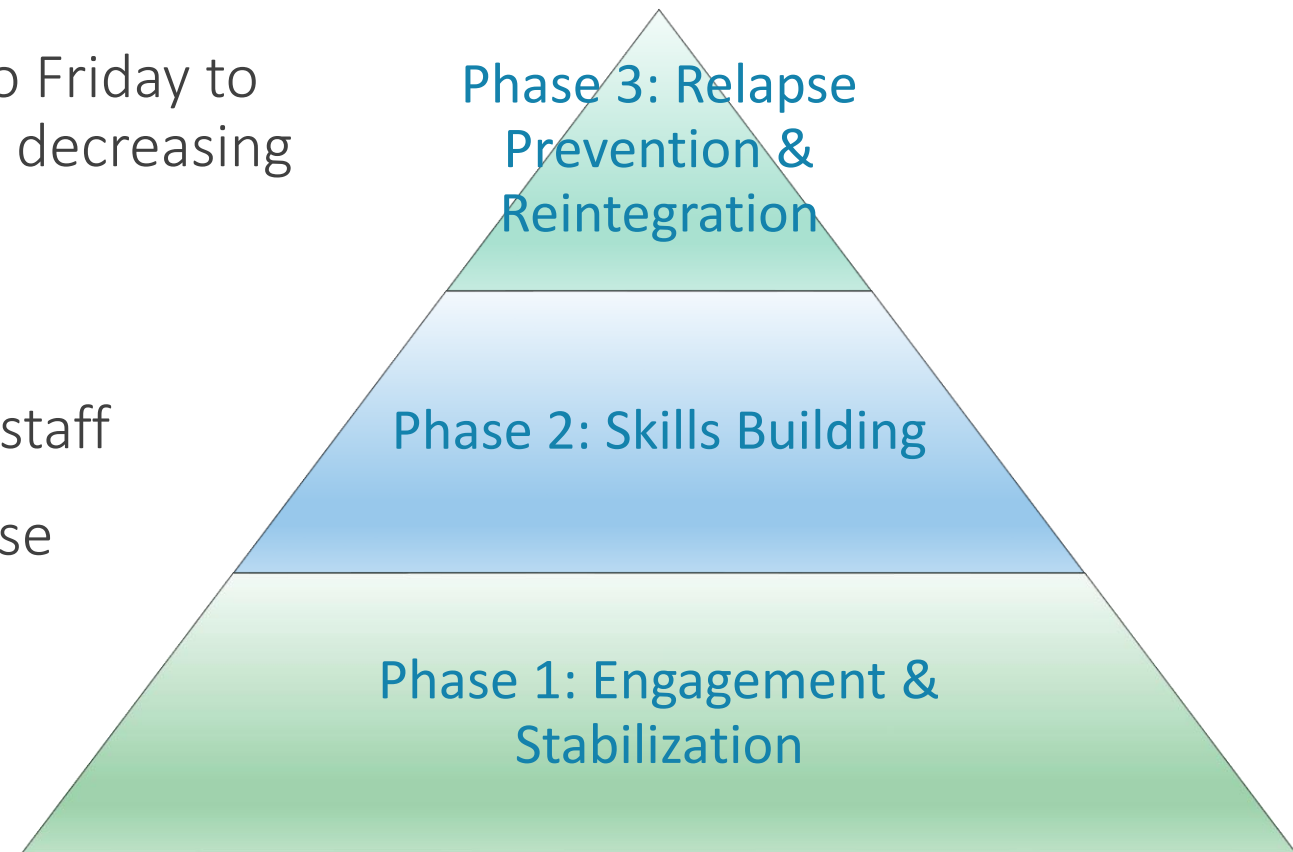
This program is voluntary. It is abstinence based, including alcohol and non-medically prescribed cannabis.

Court Process

- The DTC Team includes the Judge, Crown, defense/duty counsel, probation and treatment providers
- Guilty plea required and specific conditions of release
- Court in Perth every Monday with treatment providing weekly reports to document the progress and engagement
- Based on a rewards-sanctions model
- Timeline is 9-12 months based upon participation and abstinence

iDOT Program

- 45 day assessment period
- Phase 1 programming runs Monday to Friday to address a variety of life domains, with decreasing intensity each phase
- Vocational support
- Weekend support available by Rehab staff
- Mental Health Court & Custody Release clients are also eligible to participate



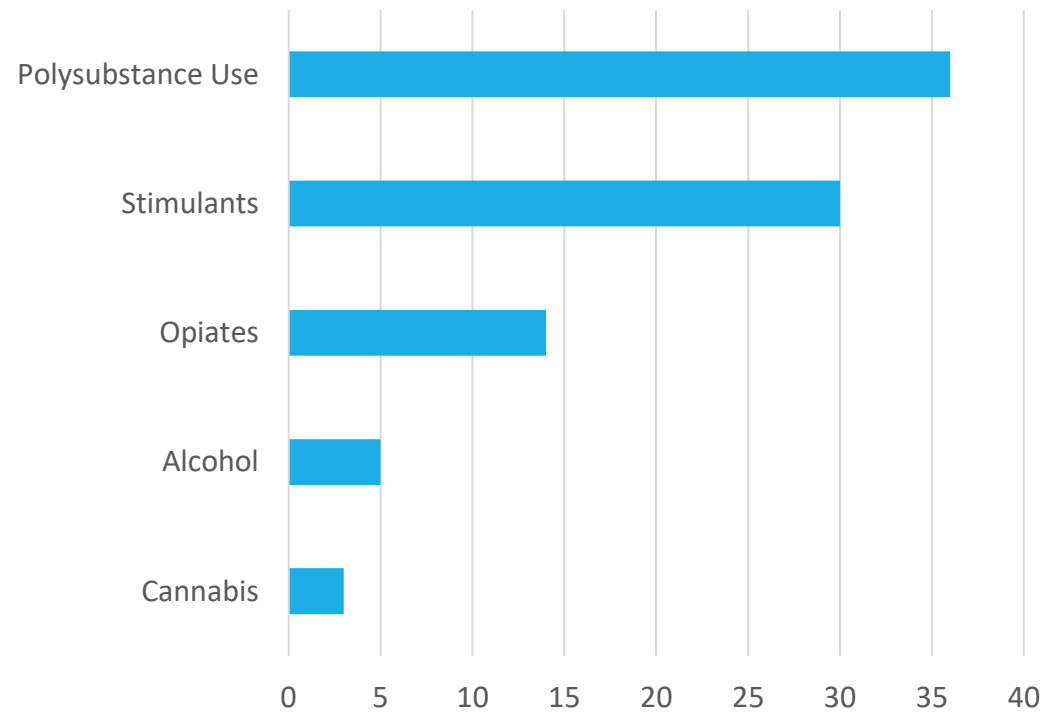


Implications on Legal Outcomes

- Sentencing does not involve incarceration
- If there is term of probation, the order can include ‘Treatment and Counselling’ condition to encourage continued participation in recovery
- Once criminal charges are resolved, the individual is supported while a transition plan is determined and put in place.

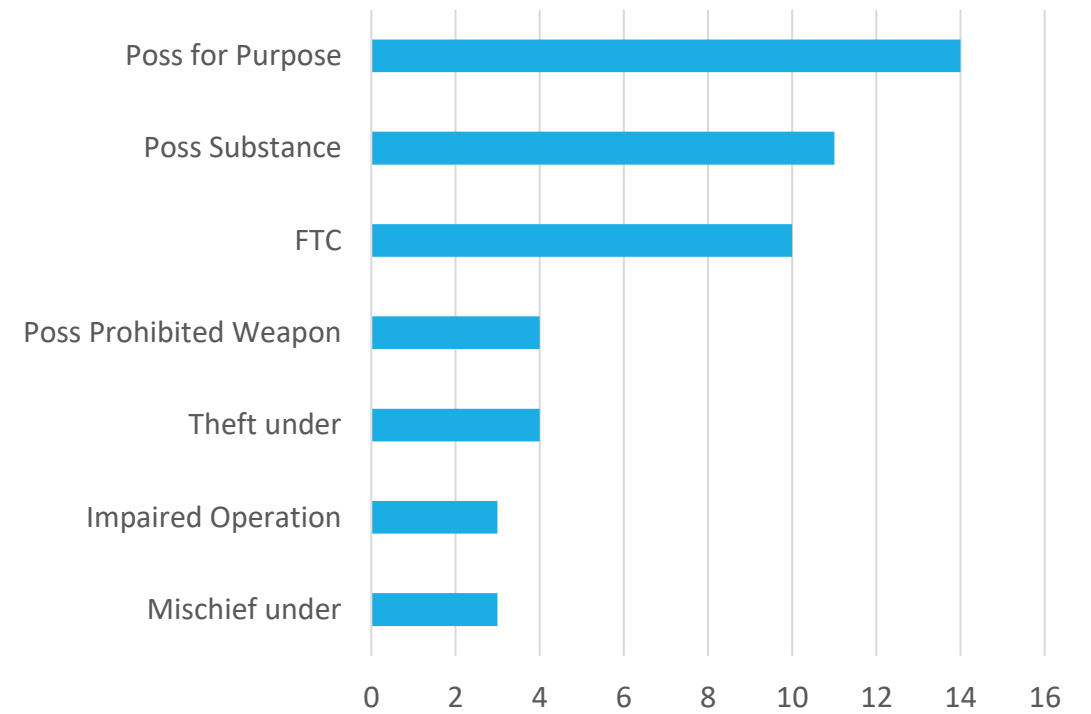
Client Profile

Reported Drug of Choice



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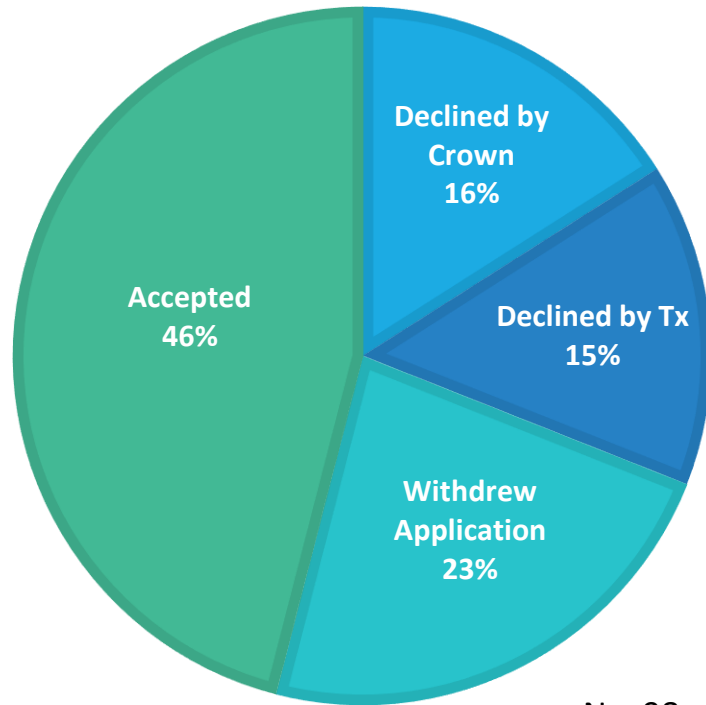
Most Common Charges (2021-2022)



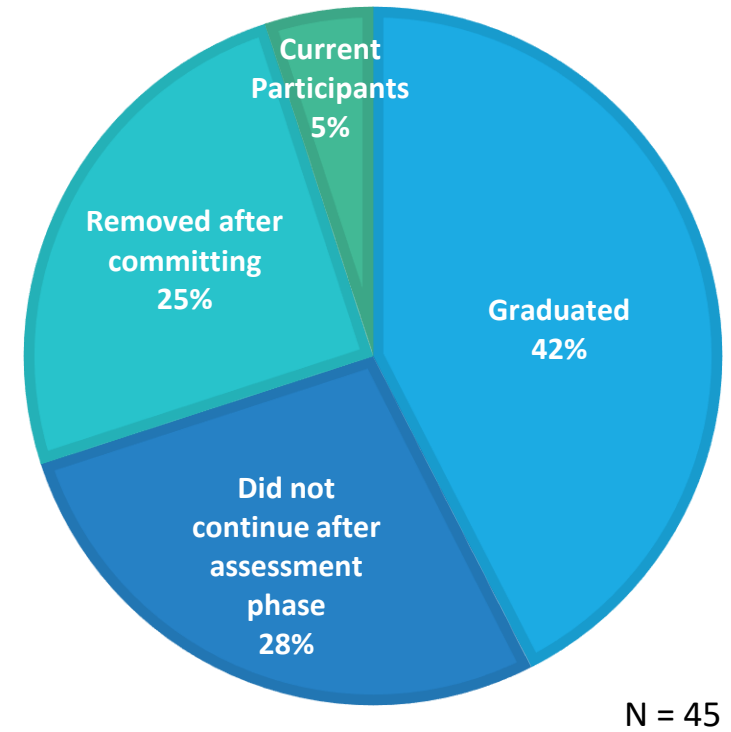
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Program Statistics

PROGRAM ADMITTANCE RATES



OUTCOMES FOR PARTICIPANTS WHO COMMENCED TREATMENT



Arising Issues

Referral & retention

Access (transportation, technology)

Housing

Staffing

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