

## TAC GOALS

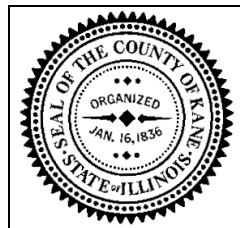
- \* INCREASE PUBLIC SAFETY
  - Reduce law enforcement contact
  - Reduce jail time
  - Reduce new criminal convictions
  
- \* INCREASE QUALITY OF LIFE FOR TAC PARTICIPANT
  - Establish appropriate psychiatric and therapeutic care for the participant
  - Reduce psychiatric symptoms
  - Reduce alcohol and drug use
  - Establish stable and safe housing
  - Establish employment or continued education if appropriate
  
- \* INCREASE TREATMENT ENGAGEMENT
  - Increase treatment attendance
  - Increase medication adherence

## REFERRAL PROCESS

Official referral forms are available from the TAC Coordinator. The referral form must be completed and forwarded to the TAC Coordinator for review.

Referral for TAC participation will be accepted from the following sources:

- \* Private defense attorneys
- \* Public Defenders
- \* State's Attorney representatives
- \* Kane County Diagnostic Center
- \* Presiding Judges



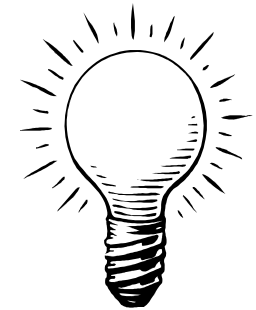
### Kane County Treatment Alternative Court

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# Treatment Alternative Court “TAC” Program

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## PROGRAM OVERVIEW

- \* The Treatment Alternative Court is presided over by the Honorable Clint Hull.
- \* The state is represented by an assistant state’s attorney from the Kane County State’s Attorney Office.
- \* The defendant may appear pro se, or be represented by private counsel or the public defender.
- \* The TAC Coordinator provides case management services between the participant and the Court and provides additional supervision for the participant.
- \* Mental Health Treatment services are provided by community based treatment agencies within Kane County. Currently serving the TAC program are: Ecker Center for Mental Health, Association for Individual Development and Gateway Foundation Aurora.

## TAC DESIGN

- \* The TAC program is designed to serve offenders who are suffering from a mental illness, co-occurring disorder or developmental disability.
- \* The TAC program provides comprehensive mental health treatment in lieu of following the traditional court process.
- \* Participant's are required to engage in treatment as well as judicial supervision while a part of the TAC program.
- \* Participants who successfully complete the program may have their current charges reduced or dismissed.
- \* The TAC program is completely voluntary and a participant can decide not to be involved at any time.
- \* If a participant chooses to quit the TAC program alternative sentencing will occur.

## ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- \* 18 years old or older at the time of program acceptance
- \* Non-violent offenders
- \* No history of violent offense convictions within the past 10 years excluding incarceration time
- \* Has not previously completed or been discharged from a mental health court program within 3 years of completion or discharge
- \* Guilty plea to current charges
- \* Approval from State’s Attorney’s Office
- \* Kane County Residency
- \* Currently not supervised by Probation or Parole
- \* Verification of mental illness, co-occurring disorder or developmental disability
- \* Willingness to participate