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**A Menu of Suggested Performance Measures for Community Courts**

The following is a menu of suggested performance measures for community courts. The menu is non-exhaustive and may be adjusted to meet the needs of your jurisdiction.

**DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION**

Name  
Date of Birth  
Age  
Race/Ethnicity  
Sex  
Foreign Born? Yes or No

**COURT DATA**

State Identification Number  
Case/Identification Number  
Date of Arrest  
Date of Entrance into Community Court  
Disposition (Guilty plea, deferred sentence, etc.)  
# of previous felony convictions  
# of previous misdemeanor convictions  
Sentence received and length (e.g. 5 days of community service, 6 sessions of social services, etc.)  
Traditional sentence if alternative sentence is not completed

**SCREENING AND ELIGIBILITY**

Initial screen for eligibility YES or NO  
Eligible for community court YES or NO  
Entered community court YES or NO  
Eligible for community court but declined Yes or NO  
Reason for declining participation  
Assessment administered (should be a validated tool) YES or NO

**SOCIAL SERVICE MANDATE (to be completed for each service mandate)**

Mandated to social service YES or NO  
Type of service attended (e.g. drug treatment, criminal thinking intervention, GED class, individual counseling session, etc.)  
Service provider  
Dates of service or date range of service completed (if long-term treatment is provided)  
Completed social service mandate YES or NO

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### **COMMUNITY SERVICE MANDATE**

Mandated to community service YES or NO  
Service provider  
Dates of community service completed  
Number of hours completed on each date of community service  
Completed community service mandate YES or NO

### **COMPLIANCE MONITORING**

Compliance hearing date  
Was defendant in compliance YES or NO  
If non-compliant, what was the reason?  
Outcome of compliance hearing (still in program, terminated from program, traditional sentence received)  
If defendant failed to appear, was a warrant issued? YES or NO

### **OUTCOMES**

Date of outcome  
Type of outcome (completed all requirements, did not complete all requirements, other – followed by text explanation of “other”)

### **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

Community advisory board established? YES or NO  
Dates of community advisory board meetings  
Dates of outside community meetings attended  
Dates of presentations at outside community meetings

The Center for Court Innovation also recommends conducting community surveys to determine the public’s perception of public safety, the community court, and the justice system. With support from the U.S. Department of Justice’s Bureau of Justice Assistance, the Center for Court Innovation is available to help you plan and implement your community court (at no cost for U.S. jurisdictions). For more information or to request assistance, please visit <http://www.courtinnovation.org>.