

The Program:

For more than 20 years, Arkansas Community Correction has consistently improved community correction services through the operation and management of residential correctional and treatment services for non-violent offenders in Modified Therapeutic Community centers.

ACC operates six community-based residential centers that provide structure, supervision, surveillance, drug/alcohol



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treatment, educational and vocational programs, employment counseling, socialization, life skills, community work transition, and other services.

Each facility is accredited by the American Correctional Association (ACA) as well as licensed as a substance abuse treatment facility by the Arkansas Department of Human Services Division of Behavioral Health Services' Office of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Prevention (ADAP).

Admission Criteria:

1. The crime is within the target group of offenses noted by statute.
2. The offender has no outstanding felony detainer for a violent/sexual offense.
3. The offender has no previous felony convictions for violent and/or sex crimes.
4. The offender has no previous disciplinarys for violent or sexual misconduct while in a correctional facility.
5. The offender has no record of mental health problems that indicate violence.
6. The offender does not pose a risk to the community.

**Quick Reference
for Admission
to a Community
Correction
Center**

The ACC Mission:

“To enhance public safety by enforcing state laws and court mandates through community partnerships and evidence-based programs that are cost efficient and hold offenders accountable while engaging them in opportunities to become law-abiding, productive citizens.”

The ACC Philosophy:

“We place priority on public safety while providing opportunities for positive change.”

Short Term Program:

Drug Court judges can place a Drug Court offender in an ACC Community Correction Center for a 30 to 90 day intensive residential treatment program provided by skilled, certified treatment specialists. Treatment for the Short Term Program includes individual and group therapy and Residents participate in 25-28 hours of treatment per week. Staff work closely with each resident to make sure that the resident has a plan to address individual needs, which strengthens the recovery process.

Judicial Transfer:

Request for CCC Eligibility - The Prosecuting Attorney contacts the local Probation/Parole Office for CCC eligibility status of an offender, preferably before the offender is taken to court for sentencing.

Eligibility Status - The local Probation/Parole Office notifies the Prosecuting Attorney and/or Judge of an offender's CCC eligibility status.

Sentencing - The Court sentences the offender to be judicially transferred to the ACC for no more than 72 months. Offenders may earn good-time credit for up

to one-half of the sentence.

Custody - The Court orders the offender to remain in custody or report to a probation officer or the sheriff's office until the Court Referral Coordinator of ACC can arrange transport.

Request for Transportation - The Sheriff's Office, or designated liaison, will fax the Judgment and Commitment Order to the Court Referral Coordinator and request a transport date. The Court Referral Coordinator will then determine a transport date and notify the appropriate authority.

Probation Plus:

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Eligibility Status - The local Probation/Parole Office notifies the Prosecuting Attorney and/or Judge of an offender's CCC eligibility status.

Sentencing - The Court places the offender on probation and orders a period of CCC confinement not to exceed 365 days. Meritorious good time does not apply.

A New Freedom:

The ACC Residential Services Treatment Programs use A New Freedom Program that is a comprehensive, evidence-based behavioral health and substance abuse curriculum.

Long Term Program: The goal of this program is to create a positive peer culture and facilitate overall lifestyle changes. These lifestyle changes are demonstrated by residents remaining drug-free and having the ability to interact in society without further criminal activity, while taking responsibility for ongoing recovery and contributing to their communities.

These changes are achieved through the structured environment of the therapeutic community, including having explicit rules, the use of positive peer pressure, confrontation, sanctions, cognitive intervention - a process of identifying and correcting errors in thinking and thus, behavior - and the 12-step approach.

The Modified Therapeutic Community program has three basic phases that are progress driven. The normal length of stay will be six months to one year. As soon as the resident enters the program, an extensive assessment is completed and the resident is placed in the Phase System.

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Transportation - As offenders are transported to the CCC, they need to bring the following documents:

1. Certified copy of the Sentencing Order
2. Departure Report (if appropriate)
3. Presentence Investigation (if one exists)

If the offender is to self-report to the CCC, then other arrangements need to be made by contacting the Court Referral Coordinator.

Supervision Sanction Program:

The ACC operates a prison alternative sanction for male and female parole technical violators. Currently, Supervision Sanction Programs are located at OMEGA (Malvern) and East Central (females). The Supervision Sanction Program (SSP) is an intensive residential program of 90 or 180 days followed by aftercare under community supervision.