

Frequently Asked Questions: Incentives, Sanctions, and Service Adjustments Workshop

What is the Incentives, Sanctions, and Service Adjustments (ISSA) workshop?

The Treatment Court Institute (TCI), in partnership with the Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs, and U.S. Department of Justice, developed the Incentives, Sanctions, and Therapeutic Adjustments (ISSA) workshop for jurisdictions interested in addressing Standard IV of the All Rise Adult Treatment Court Best Practice Standards. This training helps treatment court teams coordinate an effective, research-based strategy that supports behavior change through an integrated response to participant behaviors and compliance using incentives, sanctions, and service adjustments.

What are the benefits of attending the ISSA workshop?

Bring your team and expand your knowledge by learning how to serve your justice-involved population's diverse needs. Learn about the science of behavior change and how to translate scientific research into treatment court practice to improve your program outcomes.

How does my team apply for the training?

[Click here](#) to apply for the training.

How will applications be selected?

Applicants must be operational treatment courts. Each selected team must:

- Provide pretraining materials such as an up-to-date participant handbook and policies and procedure manual
- Meet scheduled deadlines to provide requested materials
- Complete the online evaluation tool
- Identify a contact person to serve as the liaison between TCI and their team
- Agree to have all core team members (judge, prosecutor, defense attorney, court coordinator, treatment provider, community supervision/probation, and law enforcement officer [strongly recommended]) present during the entirety of the two-day training
- Agree to a post-training coaching session delivered within 90 days to observe staff meetings and status hearings, and to provide feedback on progress with implementation plans developed during the training

If your team cannot agree to these conditions, we will be unable to provide the training.

How will jurisdictions be notified?

Upon completion, you will receive an automated notification that TCI has received your application. If accepted, TCI will send you an email notification, including a link to register and information on the workshop. Each team member attending must register.

When is this training scheduled?

The dates for the training are on the All Rise [website](#) and include dates across different time zones. Please note the time zone when selecting the dates to ensure they correspond with your location.

Who from each team is required to participate in the ISSA training?

To participate in the training, each jurisdiction must identify a minimum of seven individuals representing the following disciplines to form a treatment court planning team:

- Judge
- Prosecutor
- Defense counsel
- Court coordinator
- Treatment provider
- Community supervision/probation
- Law enforcement (strongly recommended)

My jurisdiction has been accepted to receive ISSA training. Now what?

Upon acceptance into the training program, each participating team member must commit to the following:

- Meet scheduled deadlines to provide requested materials
- Identify a contact person to serve as the liaison between TCI and their team

Where will the training take place?

All 2025 ISSA workshops will be conducted either virtually using Zoom or in person. In-person locations will be held in the specified time zone region and will be determined when a training facility has been secured.

When will the training agenda be available?

A link to the draft agenda is available on the All Rise [website](#).

How long is the training?

The training lasts two full days, 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. local time .

How much does this training cost?

The training is free of charge. Travel, hotel, and per diem expenses are to be covered by the jurisdiction for in-person training.

Whom do I contact for more information about the ISSA training?

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