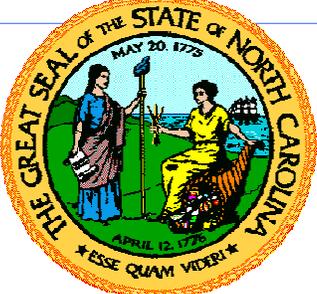


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# **NC TASC**

## **Bridging Systems for Effective Offender Care Management**



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## **NC Problem Statement**

- **Limited CJ & Tx Resources**
- **Complex Clients:**
  - challenging behavioral health needs
  - serious consequences of failure
- **Recidivism & Relapse are Common**
- **Service Availability & Effectiveness**

**Need options to improve access to & retention  
in treatment, while preserving public safety**



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## NIC's The Principles of Effective Interventions

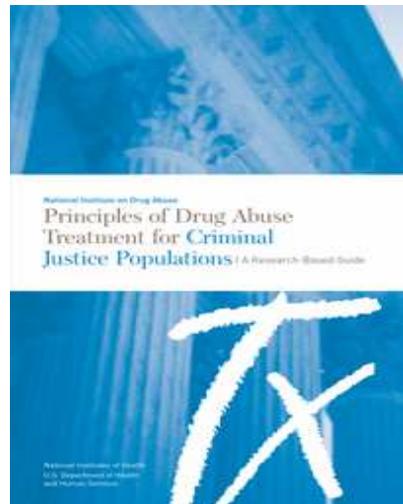
1. Assess Actuarial Risk/Needs
2. Enhance Intrinsic Motivation
3. Target Interventions
  - Risk Principle
  - Need Principle
  - Responsivity Principle
  - Dosage
  - Treatment Principle
4. Skill Train with Directed Practice
5. Increase Positive Reinforcement
6. Engage Ongoing Support in Natural Communities
7. Measure Relevant Processes/Practices
8. Provide Measurement Feedback



## NIDA Principles for CJ Pops

Treatment principles & research findings particularly relevant to the criminal justice community & treatment professionals working with drug abusing offenders

[www.nida.nih.gov](http://www.nida.nih.gov)



## OMM: Balancing Control & Tx

- **One Offender**  
**One Case Plan**  
**One Team**
- **Common Goal: Safely manage high-risk, high-need offenders in the community**
- **Balances Intervention Opportunities provided thru DMHDDSAS & Supervision provided thru DCC & AOC**



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## DHHS-DOC-AOC MOA

**Memorandum of Agreement  
between the  
North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services  
and the  
North Carolina Department of Correction  
and the  
Administrative Office of the Courts**

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This Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) and Appendices are entered by and between the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), the Department of Correction (DOC) and the Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) for the purpose of developing a comprehensive offender management model that ensures public safety while addressing the needs of offenders. The Division of Community Corrections (DCC) and the Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities and Substance Abuse Services (DMHDDSAS) are the primary resources involved in community corrections. AOC manages the N.C. Drug Treatment Court Act Program and provides administrative support to the local courts that operate Adult Drug Treatment Courts (DTC). The Division of Alcoholism and Chemical Dependency Programs (DACDP) and Division of Prisons (DOP) impact community corrections through the release of offenders who have received services while in custody or while in a residential facility (DART-Cherry). The purpose of a comprehensive offender management model is to create a seamless system built on the ideals of integrated service delivery and coordination of resources that provide effective interventions for offenders.

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## What is TASC?

- **A model that bridges two separate systems: justice & treatment**
- **Links treatment & justice goals of reduced drug use & criminal activity**
- **Uses processes that improve treatment access, engagement & retention**

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## What TASC Does!

- **Screening & Assessment**
- **Referral & Placement**
- **Care Planning, Coordination & Management**
- **Reporting Progress to Justice System**

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# TASC in NC

- 1978 First TASC Programs in NC
- 1993 10 Programs in 20 Counties
- 1994 Structured Sentencing Act
- 1998 23 Programs in 43 Counties
- 2000 SOP; DHHS-DOC MOA
- 2002 Services available in all 100 Counties
- 2003 TASC Training Institute
- 2005 AOC joined MOA
- 2007 15,000+ Offenders Served

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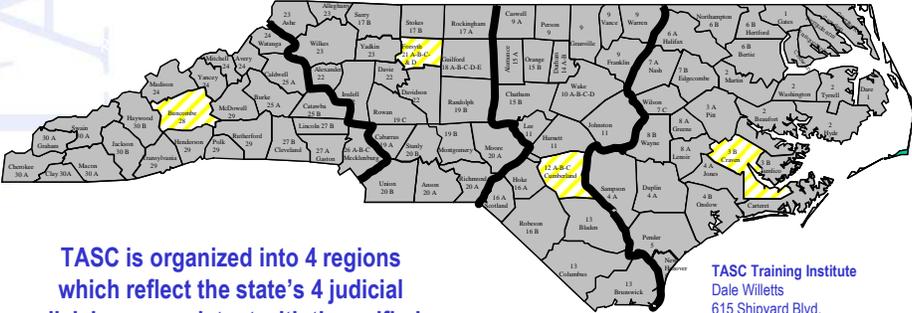
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TASC is organized into 4 regions which reflect the state's 4 judicial divisions, consistent with the unified court & statewide probation systems.

**TASC Training Institute**  
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## TASC Quality Points

- Statewide Availability for Equity
- Regional Management for Economies of Scale
- TASC Training Institute
- All staff registered, certified or licensed w/ NCSAPPB
- TASC in MH Reform Legislation
- MH Commission promulgated TASC Rules
- NC TASC Standard Operating Procedures
- National TASC Critical Elements
- Local Memoranda of Agreement
- NC-TOPPS: TASC CJM Measures
- Funding contingent on DHHS-DOC-AOC MOA compliance
- Addiction Severity Index Multimedia Version (ASI-MV)

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## Here's what we know about drugs & crime in NC

- SA is disproportionately represented in correctional populations
  - 80% of parolees
  - 67% of probationers
- 117,607 people on probation, parole or post-release
  - 79,347 need substance abuse services

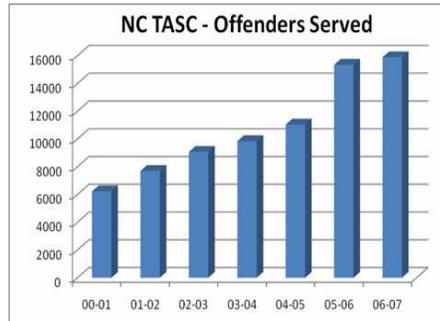
Report of the Re-Entry Policy Council, CSG, 2005

NCDOC Research & Planning, June 30, 2007 populations

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## These are the people we serve

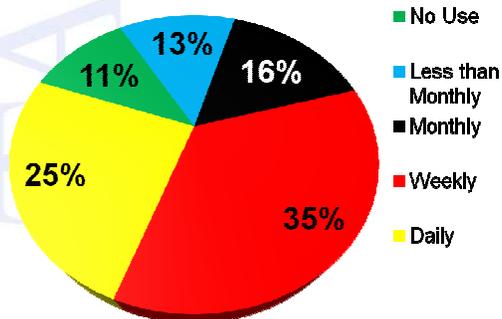
- TASC Served: 15,888
- 80% Male
- 48% Black 47% White
- 60% less than 31yo  
– 20% 16-21yo
- 85% Not Married
- 52% No HS Diploma
- 32% Unemployed



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## TASC Facts

### Frequency of Use



- Avg. length of stay: 8½ months
- \$1.35 per client per day
- 2000 Recidivism Report to the General Assembly\*
  - 86% had at least 1 previous arrest (mean # 2.6)
  - 61% were NOT re-arrested within 2 years of discharge

\* NC Sentencing & Policy Advisory Commission



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## TASC Benefits

- **Increases Client Identification**
- **Provides Independent Assessment of Need**
- **Improves Treatment Engagement, Retention & Compliance**
- **Provides Support & Continuity during Tx & CJ Transitions**
- **Balances Control & Treatment**
- **Improves Communication among Systems about & with the Client**
- **Provides add'l information for Treatment, Judicial & Correctional Decision-Making**

