

## **Frequently Asked Questions VETERANS' COURT SERVICES**

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### **COMBAT VETERANS COURT**

#### **Can any Veteran participate in this collaborative courts program?**

No, not all Veterans can participate in this program, since it is based on a particular combination of factors related to combat history, legal situation, and mental health needs. Candidates are evaluated by the court's team members to determine which factors may apply, and if their circumstances will match the program criteria.

#### **Can I still participate in Combat Veterans Court if I'm not eligible for Veterans Administration (VA) care or many of their benefits?**

Maybe, if you are not eligible for VA care or select VA benefits, you may still be able to participate in the court as a Client of OCHCA Veterans' Services. An evaluation will take place and the Court may accept the client.

#### **What am I required to do if I work with HCA and the Combat Veterans Court?**

Your responsibilities as an HCA Client in the program will include active engagement in the case management process, consistent attendance of scheduled treatment appointments, attendance at self-help meetings, and sessions with your assigned Case Manager. Compliance with other requirements set forth by the court will also determine one's standing and progress in the program.

### **FAMILY COURT**

#### **Is Family Court part of Veterans Administration (VA)?**

No, HCA Veterans' Services is not a part of VA, but is in frequent partnership with many VA programs.

#### **Do you assist Veterans/Service Members who are not Respondents in a Family Court case?**

Yes, HCA Veterans' Services can also work with Petitioners – Veterans, Service Members or Family Members filing Domestic Violence matters against other parties – during their time in the court system.

#### **Am I required to work with HCA if I am in a Family Court case?**

No, you are never required to receive case management from HCA Veterans' Services. However, the services and support provided by such partnership can lead to positive change for individuals and families, and can enhance a Veterans' ability to meet other requirements of the court