



## **EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT DEPENDENCY MOTHER'S DRUG COURT**

*Presiding Judge:* Jennifer Elliott

*Hearing Dates:* Alternating Thursdays 1:30 p.m.  
Courtroom 6, Family Courthouse

Dependency Mother's Drug Court is court supervised comprehensive residential substance abuse treatment for alcohol and drug dependent mothers and their children involved in the child welfare system.

***Treatment includes:***

- Regular random drug testing (urine tests),
- Intensive individual and group substance abuse and mental health counseling,
- Trauma focused cognitive behavioral therapy,
- Nurturing Parenting classes specific to mothers with substance abuse problems,
- Vocational education and guidance,
- Collaborative case management,
- Wellness education,<sup>1</sup> and
- Participant attends regular court reviews.

Once the mother is stabilized in treatment (usually after a minimum of 30 days), children under the age of eight may reside with the mother in the treatment facility. Services for children are also provided in-house or referred out when indicated.

***Eligibility:***

- Mothers must be 18 or over
- Mothers must have open and formal case with DFS
- The children must be at risk of or currently in an out-of-home placement
- Mothers must have an identified alcohol/substance abuse disorder requiring residential treatment
- DFS case must remain open until client completes the program
- Mother must agree to and sign DMDC Contract

*Cost:* All living costs, treatment expenses, and drug testing costs covered by RPG grant. DFS pays for the initial assessment unless covered by Mother's insurance.

*Length:* Average length of stay is 9 to 12 months.

*Provider:* WestCare of Nevada, Women and Children's Campus  
5659 Duncan Drive, Las Vegas Nevada 89130  
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*Referrals:* Send Community Provider Referral form (found in UNITY) to:  
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Tessa Kiser c/o WestCare Nevada at [tessa.kiser@westcare.com](mailto:tessa.kiser@westcare.com)

*Coordinator:* Michael Lea @ 702-455-0387 or [Leam@clarkcountycourts.us](mailto:Leam@clarkcountycourts.us)

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<sup>1</sup> Additional services include detoxification services, anger management and impulse control treatment, trauma groups, and medically assisted treatment when indicated.