

Drug Court Amendment (Court Expansion) Regulation 2022

under the

Drug Court Act 1998

Her Excellency the Governor, with the advice of the Executive Council, has made the following Regulation under the *Drug Court Act 1998*.

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Explanatory note

The objects of this Regulation are as follows-

- (a) to provide that residents of the Dubbo Regional local government area are eligible for the Drug Court,
- (b) to allow the District Court and the Local Court, regardless of where the court is sitting in New South Wales, to refer eligible persons to the Drug Court,
- (c) to allow persons acting for or on behalf of the Western NSW Local Health District to provide information to the Drug Court about offenders in the drug offender's program.

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1 Name of Regulation

This Regulation is the Drug Court Amendment (Court Expansion) Regulation 2022.

2 Commencement

This Regulation commences on 12 January 2023.

3 Amendment of Drug Court Regulation 2020

(1) Section 4 Eligible person

Insert "Dubbo Regional," after "Cumberland," in section 4(a).

(2) Section 6 Referring courts—referral during proceedings

Omit "in its sittings at Campbelltown, East Maitland, Liverpool, Newcastle, Parramatta, Penrith or Sydney" from section 6(a).

(3) Section 6(b)

Omit "in its sittings at Bankstown, Belmont, Blacktown, Burwood, Campbelltown, Central, Cessnock, the Downing Centre, Fairfield, Kurri Kurri, Liverpool, Maitland, Mount Druitt, Newcastle, Newtown, Parramatta, Penrith, Raymond Terrace, Toronto, Waverley or Windsor".

(4) Section 7 Guidelines to determine availability and allocation of facilities

Omit "clause" from section 7(2). Insert instead "section".

(5) Section 8 Application of Criminal Procedure Act 1986

Omit "subclause (1)" from section 8(2)(a). Insert instead "subsection (1)".

(6) Section 10 Provision of information to Drug Court

Omit "or Western Sydney" from section 10(1)(a).

Insert instead ", Western NSW or Western Sydney".

(7) Section 12 Fees

Omit "subclause (2)" from section 12(3). Insert instead "subsection (2)".