

CONNECTIONS CORRECTIONS PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY

SCREENING GUIDELINES

In considering individual applications for a community corrections program, it should be noted and remembered that the Connections Corrections Program (CCP) is a non-secure (Butte Program) or a medium secure (West Program).

Note: All candidates making application for any Community, Counseling, and Correctional Services, Inc (CCCS, Inc), program will not be subjected to any discriminatory practices based on the individual applicant's race, religion, gender, disability, national origin or political views. All individuals screened for and accepted into any of the community-based programs operated by the CCCS, Inc, will be assured equal opportunities to participate in all areas of programming and services, generally based on individual need.

PROGRAM ELLIGIBILITY

Candidates must be felony offenders who are sentenced to the Montana Department of Corrections. Candidates must have a minimum of eight months of time left on their current sentence in order to complete the CCP and still be able to complete a pre-release aftercare segment of the program. Candidates must be inmate status. Those candidates with Suspended or Deferred Sentences are **not** eligible for the CCP. However, CCP West does have ten (10) beds reserved for DOC ISP violators, Parole Board violators, Pre-release violators, or Conditional Release violators. With the exception of sanction cases, bed placement is generally dictated by the seriousness of the current offense, seriousness of the offender's criminal history, or the determination of fall-partners etc.

All admission packets must include the following material

- A detailed memo or letter from the referring PO indicating status and pre-release or release plans
- A fully completed, detailed CCP Program Application (**incomplete or ambiguous applications will be rejected, thus delaying the screening/admission process**)
- Judgment and Commitment papers
- Current (or most current) PSI
- Reports of Violation
- Current Medical Release of Information from MSP, MASC, or START
- Montana Health Services Plan Application (if applicable)
- Psychological Evaluations, Reports, or Diagnosis
- Medical diagnosis of any medical conditions or pre-existing conditions
- Discharge Summaries from any past treatment experiences (if available)
- Initial Classification Summary and Report

- Summary of Unit Performance
- Copy of the DOC Hearing Summary, **especially if a sanction case**

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