



Sonoma County District Attorney CAD PC 1000 Diversion

Community Accountability Diversion (CAD)

**CALL CAD PC 1000 Diversion
within 48 hours
(toll free):1-855-331-7967**

Community Accountability Diversion (CAD) Penal Code (PC) section 1000 is a state approved program for adult misdemeanor and felony narcotic offenders that takes the place of traditional court proceedings. This program is an innovative individualized accountability curriculum for adult misdemeanor and felony defendants who are qualified for drug treatment. Authorized under Penal Code Section 1000-1000.6, the program allows specified first-time offenders of controlled substance offenses to participate in the program while entry of judgment is deferred.

The philosophy of CAD PC 1000 is to address the root causes of a person's narcotic use. The program goals are to educate defendants in targeted "life skills" and expose

them to the many available community resources that might assist them in becoming law abiding and free from narcotic use.

CAD PC 1000 begins with an individualized Diversion Plan Conference. During this Conference, an in-depth analysis results in a Diversion Plan tailored to the specific needs of the Defendant. In addition to performing mandatory random drug tests, a defendant will be referred to community resources for employment, education, treatment, mental health, and/or any other appropriate community-based service. Successful completion of the program will result in the dismissal of criminal charges.

Step by Step; What happens now?

If you have just accepted CAD PC 1000, here are the requirements:

1. Call CAD PC 1000 Diversion **within 48 hours** of your court appearance at (855) 331-7967 and **schedule your Diversion Plan Conference** or a warrant may be issued for your arrest.
2. To enroll in the program, you must attend your Diversion Plan Conference and pay an enrollment fee of \$40. You must complete the enrollment at least **two weeks prior to your next court appearance**. Participation in the program is subject to additional fees.
3. A customized Diversion Plan will be established for you at the Diversion Plan Conference. The Diversion Plan will contain the conditions that you must meet in order to successfully complete the Diversion. Conditions include group counseling, status appointments, random drug tests, community service, and referrals to community resources.
4. The Program length is six (6) months and starts upon enrollment (day of your Diversion Plan Conference).
5. You must contact the Program once a month. The schedule for those contacts will be included on your Diversion Plan.
6. Your case will remain open for an additional twelve (12) months following completion of the initial six (6) month program. You must attend three (3) additional status appointments in these 12 months following your completion of the initial 6 month program.

**By completing the CAD PC 1000
your case will be dismissed approximately
18 months from your original referral to
the program, provided that you are
not rearrested in that time.**