

What is the 24/7 Sobriety Program?

The 24/7 sobriety program is a twenty-four hour, seven day a week monitoring program in which a participant submits to the testing of their blood, breath, urine, or other bodily substances in order to determine the presence of alcohol, marijuana, or any controlled substance in their body.

The program can be used both pretrial and post conviction.

What is the goal of the program?

The goal of the 24/7 Sobriety Program is to combat the role that alcohol and drug abuse play in crime and criminal recidivism, particularly for drunk driving and drugged driving — and to reduce the number of DUIs and related costs by motivating offenders to change their behaviors.

What are the benefits of the program?

Hallmarks of the program include:

- Cost efficiency
- Reduction of jail and prison populations
- Enhancement of public safety
- Enabling offenders to change self-defeating behaviors and to stop reoffending

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How does the program work?

In a traditional program, participants take twice daily portable breath tests, in person, at a testing facility. The tests are scheduled approximately 12 hours apart.

There are also options allowing for remote alcohol monitoring devices to be used.



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How is the program operated?

The 24/7 Sobriety Program is established in state statute, RCW 36.28A.300—390.

Additionally, WASPC has developed guidelines for participating agencies. The guidelines clarify the 24/7 statutes and provide additional direction.

How are the tests tracked?

WASPC has a contract with IntoxiTrack for the 24/7 Sobriety Program testing software. The software is web-based and easy to use.

A screenshot of the IntoxiTrack login page. It features the IntoxiTrack logo at the top, followed by the text "Please sign in". Below this are two input fields for "Username" and "Password". At the bottom, there are two links: "If you forgot your password, click here" and "To resend your confirmation email, click here". A blue "Sign in" button is located at the bottom left.

Who runs the program?

The program must be managed by a city or county law enforcement agency. A third party vendor may administer the program, with an interagency agreement in place.

It should be noted that running a 24/7 Sobriety Program requires a great deal of support. For a program to be successful it must be supported by law enforcement, courts, prosecutors, and defense attorneys.

What are people saying about the program?

“They are developing a habit of sobriety and a habit of becoming more productive citizens.”

-Senator Mike Padden

“We want this to go statewide.”

-Representative Roger Goodman

“It provides an opportunity to us to be able to put the people in jail who really need to be in jail; not the people who might have addiction problems and are able to use a 24/7 program to help them with their addiction and recognize it and get the help they need.”

-Sheriff John Snaza

Thurston County Sheriff's Office

“One of the reasons I like the program is that it requires people to be responsible for their own behaviors.”

-Amanda Vey, Prosecutor
City of Centralia

“It has helped me to keep sober. I have a place to live now. I have a job that I go to every day. I have become a better person. It really keeps you in check.”

-24/7 Program Participant I

“If you are held accountable like that, you really need a clear mind through all of this stuff and it helps.”

-24/7 Program Participant II

“When you are completely sober you tend to think more clearly. Each day gets easier and easier....it makes life easier as well.”

-24/7 Program Participant III

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