



**FY2010 RECOMMENDATION/FY10-D54 ASSESS DRUG OFFENDER RISK AND TREATMENT NEEDS**

**Status:** Implementation Unknown

**Actions/Updates**

**2013 UPDATE**

Although individual judicial districts are responsible for the implementation of this recommendation it is unrealistic for the Commission to track the activities of individual judicial districts.

**2012 ACTION/IMPLEMENTATION**

Unknown.

**Description**

Assess all drug-involved defendants for risk and treatment needs as early as possible in the criminal court process.

**Agencies Responsible**

**Discussion**

*The court, prosecution and defense must have objective information about the risk and treatment needs of drug-involved defendants prior to disposition and sentencing. All drug-involved defendants must be assessed for risk and treatment needs as early as possible in the criminal court process. The assessment requires the use of a standardized and validated assessment tool that would provide the necessary details for treatment planning.*