

CPCT: A Change in Credit Time

Answers to questions about the change in credit time



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Q: What is different under

Case Plan Credit Time (CPCT)?

A: Currently, a specified number of days can be earned only upon completion of a “time cut program.” With CPCT, credit time can be earned throughout incarceration for progressing in case plan goals.

Q: What are the benefits of CPCT?

A: The Individual Case Plan will include Addiction Recovery Treatment, vocational and educational training, and any other programming which may reduce the person’s likelihood to recidivate. CPCT gives low risk offenders access to earn credit time they otherwise would not receive due to being ineligible for programs based on risk. Offenders with cognitive, mental health, and/or medical issues, which prevent them from formal programming, will now be eligible to earn credit time based on treatment progress and behavior.

Q: When will CPCT roll out to every offender in the IDOC?

A: Offenders will meet with their caseworkers beginning in October and can accept the CPCT or decline CPCT. Beginning January 1, 2022, any offender entering the Department of Correction will be in CPCT.

Q: Will offender jobs be considered when determining time cuts?

A: If an offender’s case plan, developed with their caseworker, includes a goal related to a work assignment, the offender’s progress made to that goal will be considered.

Q: Will the policy be retroactive?

A. No, CPCT will begin January 1, 2022. Offenders will have the opportunity to earn the remainder of the maximum number of credit days they are allowed by law through the progress made in their Individual Case Plan.

Q: Does the Caseworker control the plan totally?

A. No. Offenders will be expected to participate with their Caseworker in developing the goals of their Individual Case Plan and they will also choose if they take necessary actions to achieve the goals.

Q: How much time off a sentence will offenders be able to receive under the new plan?

A. Maximum time awarded for Educational Credit Time does not change. The caps on earned time are still one-third applicable time or two years whichever is less under the new code, and one-third applicable time or four years whichever is less under the old code.

Q: How often are offenders reviewed for time cuts?

A. If offenders have more than six years to serve, they will be reviewed annually. If they have less than six years, offenders will be reviewed at three intervals based on the total amount of time left to EPRD.

Q: If someone refuses to participate in CPCT when offered in October, can they sign up later?

A. During the opt-in period, offenders will meet with their caseworkers one time and make the decision to opt-in or opt-out of CPCT. At that time, the offender’s decision will be documented on the Individualized Case Plan option form (SF #57126). Offenders will not be allowed to change their decision after that.