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MEDIA ADVISORY

Chief Justice McCormack, Justice Clement & Judges to Share New Data, Success Stories from Michigan Problem-Solving Courts

- Who:** Chief Justice Bridget M. McCormack, Michigan Supreme Court
Justice Elizabeth T. Clement, Michigan Supreme Court
Chief Judge Susan L. Dobrich, Cass County Circuit Family Dependency Court
Judge Laura R. Mack (retired), Western Wayne County Behavioral Treatment Court
Judge Janice Cunningham, Eaton County Veterans Treatment Court
- What:** Release of FY 2019 MSC Problem-Solving Courts (PSC) Annual Report.
- When:** Thursday, June 25, 2020, 3:00 p.m.
- Where:** Watch live on YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/c/MichiganSupremeCourt>
Reporters who want to participate in the press conference should e-mail Lynn Seaks at SeaksL@courts.mi.gov for coordinates to join the Zoom meeting.
- Why:** To demonstrate the effectiveness of these rigorous programs in solving problems and saving lives across Michigan.

The FY 2019 PSC Annual Report found that graduates of adult drug court programs are two times less likely to be convicted of a new offense within three years of admission to a program. Also, unemployment dropped dramatically among drug and sobriety court graduates.

Problem-solving courts focus on providing treatment and intense supervision to offenders as an alternative to incarceration. These include drug and sobriety, mental health, veterans, and other nontraditional courts. The Supreme Court, through its State Court Administrative Office, assists trial court judges in the management of these courts by providing training, education, operational standards, monitoring, certification requirements, and funding. Find out more [here](#).

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