

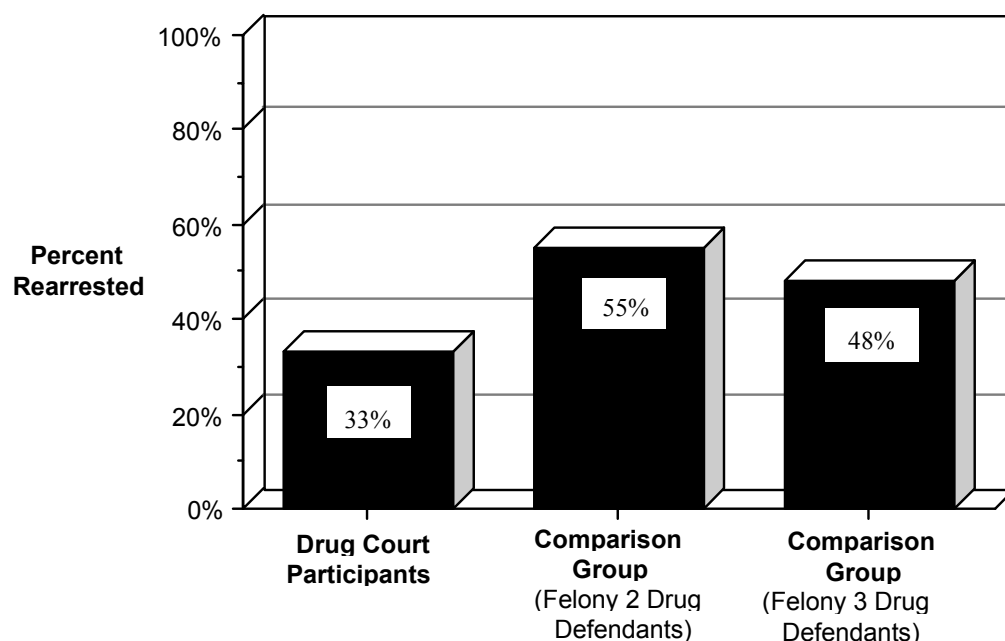
New Report Suggests That Miami Drug Court Works

At last week's national conference on drug courts, the National Institute of Justice released a prepublication report of the evaluation of the Miami drug court. The Miami drug court uses the power of the judiciary to forge a unique partnership between the criminal justice and treatment systems to provide drug-involved arrestees with court-referred and -supervised treatment.

The evaluation compared outcomes of drug court participants with comparison groups of other arrestees in Miami. The results showed that the drug court participants had fewer cases dropped, lower incarceration rates, less frequent rearrests and longer times to rearrest. Drug courts will be implemented in 1994 in Baltimore City and Washington, D.C.

To obtain a free copy of the Research in Brief, "Assessing the Impact of Dade County's Felony Drug Court," to be published in December 1993, contact the National Criminal Justice Reference Service at (301) 251-5500 or (800) 851-3420.

Rearrests of Miami Drug Court Participants and Comparison Groups Over an 18-Month Period*



*Adapted from: Goldkamp, J.S. and Weiland, D., December, 1993. "Assessing the Impact of Dade County's Felony Drug Court." National Institute of Justice Research in Brief, December 1993.

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