



## **EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT CREATING ENGAGEMENT THRU RESOURCES AND TREATMENT PROGRAM (CERT)**

*Presiding Judge:* Honorable Judge Jacqueline Bluth  
Courtroom 10C on the 10<sup>th</sup> Floor of the Regional Justice Center

*Hearing Dates:* Wednesdays 1:00 p.m. (Weekly)

***Purpose:*** *The Creating Engagement thru Resources and Treatment Program (CERT) of the EJDC targets youth ages 14-17 who have mental health and/or substance abuse disorders and certified as adults pursuant to the Nevada Revised Statute (NRS) 62B.390. The purpose of this program is to provide professional substance misuse and mental health services to these youth as a positive alternative to incarceration. The goal is to afford these youth the opportunity to break their cycle of mental health, substance use and criminality recidivism through rehabilitation.*

***Treatment Includes:***

- Intensive individual and group substance abuse and mental health counseling, inpatient treatment, if clinically appropriate,
- Family therapy and engagement,
- Regular random drug testing (urine tests),
- Required education enrollment, school advocacy, guidance, and additional academic requirements,
- Vocational education and guidance,
- Community supervision and collaborate case management,
- Community referrals, and
- Regular court status check reviews.

***Eligibility:***

- Males and Females
- 14 to 17.5 years of age at time of application,
- Certified as adults pursuant to NRS 62B.390,
- Minimum of 18 months remaining on Probation,
- Identified alcohol/substance abuse disorder or mental health/psychiatric diagnosis,
- No murder charges,
- No sex offenders,
- No history of arson,
- Criminal history and the case related to the certification will be staffed on a case-by-case basis to review for program appropriateness.

***Cost:*** The CERT program is at no cost to the participant. The Court through grant funding and other sources pays the cost for treatment and testing. Ancillary services or sanctions may require additional fees to be paid by participant.

***Length:*** The program length is a minimum of 18 months (78 treatment weeks), subject to participation and compliance.

***Provider:*** Sierra Sage Recovery Services

***Referrals:*** Complete Creating Engagement thru Resources and Treatment (CERT) Program Application Packet  
Application link: <https://www.clarkcountycourts.us/departments/specialty-courts/>  
\*All applications **MUST INCLUDE** school records, any mental health/substance use history (if applicable), any DJJS assessments (YLS), criminal history, and certification assessments and packet.

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