

Client expectations once they are involved in the Vivitrol program

- Clients must have liver functions tested through Meriter Laboratories prior to receiving Vivitrol injections. Testing will occur prior to the 1st, 2nd, and 6th injection, unless more frequent liver functions are requested by the prescriber. JMHC staff will be responsible for submitting laboratory requisition forms. Elevated liver functions could result in a client being referred to a primary care doctor without Vivitrol being administered. The client would still be able to participate in AODA treatment.
- Group attendance is expected weekly. Vivitrol group takes place on Fridays, from 9-11 AM at JMHC. Clients will provide UA's and breathalyzers during group time. Group will be mandatory for a minimum of 8 weeks, at which point the client will review their progress with their counselor. Client cannot discontinue Vivitrol group without counselor approval, or further Vivitrol injections will not be given. After discontinuing group, clients will meet individually with their counselor at appropriate intervals and UA's will be conducted during that meeting. Positive UA's, breathalyzers, or other questionable behaviors or circumstances could result in a return to mandatory group sessions. Clients may also be required to provide random UA's at the discretion of the treatment team.
- Clients are expected to meet with their counselors weekly for at least the first 4 weeks of their treatment on Vivitrol. Frequency of subsequent visits will be determined in the 4th session, depending on client adherence to treatment expectations and recovery issues.
- Clients are expected to be abstinent from all substances during their time in the Vivitrol program. Use of any substances could result in extension of mandatory group participation. Continued use of substances could result in client being placed in a higher level of care.
- Clients must be willing to sign releases for any other health care providers that they are receiving medications from and provide JMHC staff with a list of current medications. Clients must inform JMHC staff of any new medications that they are taking.
- Clients are expected to receive all injections on time. Vivitrol treatment could be discontinued if clients lapse on receiving injections.
- Clients will meet with the Nurse Practitioner every 4 weeks during the program to administer your injection. Urine drug screens will be completed at each appointment with the Nurse practitioner, and a negative urine screen will be required prior to each injection. If you are more than 1 week late for your appointment with the Nurse Practitioner, you will have to have a negative urine drug screen for opiates, and be off opiates for a minimum of 7 days, to resume the injections.
- In addition to meeting with the prescriber to receive the initial injection (or subsequent injections if the first was administered by the jail) you will be required to attend follow up appointments with the prescriber every 3 months. Failure to do so could result in discontinuation of Vivitrol.
- If you miss more than 3 appointments with the Nurse Practitioner, you will no longer be eligible to continue in the program.

By signing this document, you are indicating that you understand and are willing to adhere to the policies and procedures of the Vivitrol program through JMHC.

Client signature

Date