



## Member Discussion Topics (Revised)

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### Member Discussion on an Appropriate Accountability Mechanism

Task Force study directive: “Identification of the appropriate accountability mechanism to ensure that specialty courts are operating according to the standards of the commission.” Sec. 1(3)(d), [HB 4001](#) (2024).

1. [Oregon Specialty Court Standard](#) 8-1 states: “The specialty court team shall develop shared goals and performance measures.” Are there key performance measures that all specialty courts should meet?
2. If so, what are they and how should they be measured?
3. What local factors should be considered when identifying an appropriate accountability mechanism?
4. What additional information do you need regarding accountability mechanism options?
5. What accountability mechanism is appropriate to ensure that specialty courts are operating according to the [Oregon Specialty Court Standards](#) developed by the Criminal Justice Commission under [ORS 137.680](#)?
6. Does the definition of “recidivism” in ORS [423.557](#) sufficiently capture what is necessary to analyze specialty courts’ impacts on crime rates?