

# COMMUNITY COURT OFFENDER PARTICIPATION CONSENT FORM

## Pursuant to Practice Direction No 38

I .....confirm that the Community Court process has been explained to me, including that I am expected to:

- Talk to the Law and Justice Group members about my personal circumstances, needs and aims for the future.
- Take part in any treatment and support services I am referred to by the Community Court
- Tell the Community Court and Law and Justice Group members about my participation in any treatment and support services.
- Appear before the Community Court for progress mentions or sentence.

I understand that:

- As part of the Community Court process the Law and Justice Group members will speak with me and collect my personal information to understand my personal and cultural circumstances and ongoing support needs.
- The Law and Justice Group members will provide information collected about me to treatment and support services to assist them in understanding my personal circumstances and provide ongoing support.
- The Law and Justice Group will provide information about me to the Judge in Community Court in a report called an Aboriginal Experience Report.
- Law and Justice Group members may speak to the victim/s of my offending and other community members about me and my offending and include their responses in the Aboriginal Experience Report.
- The Law and Justice Group and Local Court may provide de-identified information about me to the Department of Attorney General and Justice for the purpose of evaluating the Community Court.
- My personal information will be stored securely and only released where relevant to the operation of the Community Court.
- If I fail to attend appointments with service providers, this information may be provided to the Court.

I consent to:

- An application being made that I be sentenced in accordance with the Community Court Sentencing procedure.
- Copies of my charges, agreed facts, record of my history of offending and any exhibits which are provided to the Court during the course of Community Court being provided to the Law and Justice Group Court members.
- The Law and Justice Group members sharing information about me and discussing my circumstances with my lawyer, the prosecution, Community Corrections, the

Community Court Judge and registrar and other service providers I am referred to, to support the Community Court process.

- My personal information being used for evaluation purposes where my anonymity is assured.

Name:

Date:

Court file Number/s: