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Authorizes and encourages trial and juvenile courts to establish and operate therapeutic courts to develop and process cases in ways that depart from traditional judicial processes.

Authorizes and encourages trial courts to establish multijurisdictional partnerships and/or interlocal agreements to enhance and expand the coverage area of the therapeutic court.

Authorizes district and municipal courts specifically to work cooperatively with each other and with the superior courts to identify and implement nontraditional case processing methods which can eliminate traditional barriers that decrease judicial efficiency.