

**JACKSON COUNTY
MENTAL HEALTH
COURT**

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**Jackson County
Mental Health Court**
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Crisis Hotline
541-774-8201

Anytime day or night
24 hours

A variety of crisis intervention services is
available by calling this number anytime.

Suicide Hotline
800-273-8255



Jackson County Mental Health Court





What Is Mental Health Court?



A treatment-focused program of intensive court supervision.

For adults facing criminal charges in Jackson County Circuit Court with a serious and persistent mental illness related to the crimes charged.

A **minimum** commitment of 12 months after a plea of guilty or no contest.

Program requirements include:

- * Frequent court appearances and meetings with a probation officer
- * Mental health and substance abuse treatment
- * Frequent drug/alcohol screens
- * Medication monitoring
- * Housing approved by MHC Team
- * Individual & group counseling
- * Community-based recovery meetings
- * Supported employment and/or volunteer work
- * Coordinated health care
- * Specialized conditions to aid in the person's lasting recovery
- * Complete honesty and transparency throughout the program

WHO CAN PARTICIPATE IN MENTAL HEALTH COURT?

Adults, 18 years old or older

Charged with an open criminal case in Jackson County Circuit Court (no Municipal Court or out of county cases)

Not facing Measure 11 charges or having past/present sex offenses

With a serious and persistent mental illness related to the crimes charged

With a diagnosis of either Bipolar Disorder, Schizophrenia, Schizoaffective Disorder, or (severe) Major Depressive Disorder

Committed to recovery and wellness

Willing to engage in mental health and substance abuse treatment as recommended by treatment professionals

Willing to abstain from all drugs, including marijuana and alcohol

Willing to commit to at least 12 months of intensive, treatment-focused court supervision



HOW TO ENTER MENTAL HEALTH COURT (MHC)

(1) Make a referral to MHC. Anyone can refer a person—family members, case workers, therapists, defense attorneys, police officers, probation officers and more.

(2) If out of custody, the applicant must view a MHC session, Tuesdays at 3pm, Courtroom 201 in the Justice Building (call in advance to be sure court is in session: 541-776-7171 x 215).

(3) Meet with the MHC Coordinator for an interview & sign a release of information for medical records to determine if eligible for the program.

(4) The MHC Team will then staff the case and determine if the applicant is an appropriate fit for the program. If accepted, the defense attorney will set a hearing for the person to enter into MHC.

Referral forms and complete MHC information available at www.courts.oregon.gov/courts/jackson (treatment court info on the left side bar), or by calling the MHC Coordinator at 541-776-7171 x 215.

