

Collaborating Agencies

Bon Secours Community
Hospital

Catholic Charities

Independent Living, Inc.

NYS Unified Court System

O. C. District Attorneys Office

O. C. Legal –Aid Society

O.C Dept. of Mental Health
— *Lead Agency*

O.C. Dept. Of Probation

Occupations Inc.

Port Jervis City Court/Police
Dept.

Restorative Management Inc.

Rockland Psychiatric Ctr.

REFERRAL—If interested
contact your lawyer to see
if you are eligible.

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Program

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Forensic Connections Program

Serving the

Port Jervis City
Community



*Orange County Executive
Steven M. Neuhaus*



Mission

Recognizing that no one agency can handle this task singlehandedly. The Orange County Port Jervis Forensic Connections Program was designed to support the City of Port Jervis Court with meaningful response to the problems posed by defendants with mental illness, and co-occurring disorders involved in the criminal justice system.

Overview of Program

To prevent individuals with mental illness, or co-occurring disorders from entering deeper into the criminal justice system. This court-based program can allow for a defendant to be diverted to, and actively engage in treatment, following a path towards recovery and a better way of life.

Goals of the Program

1. Reduce recidivism.
2. Divert individuals with mental illness or co-occurring disorders away from jail and towards treatment and ultimately, Recovery!
3. Link and refer participants to services/benefits within the community, using the collaborative agencies, and through the programs Coordinator and Peer Specialist.
4. To assist individuals with mental illness or co-occurring disorders in overcoming their disabilities through self help programs, encouragement and education about their disabilities.



Target Populations for Participation and Criteria

- Individuals with mental illness co-occurring disorders involved with Port Jervis City Court .
- Defendants with non violent misdemeanor crimes.
- Individuals ages 16 & up.
- Participants voluntarily agree to a one year program during which, they will report to court on a monthly basis to update their progress. Participants must comply with any recommendations set forth by the court and / or service providers, and the Forensic Connections treatment team.