

Collaborating Agencies

- Access Supports for Living
- Bon Secours Community Hospital
- Catholic Charities
- Independent Living Inc.
- NYS Unified Court
- O.C. District Offices
- O.C. Legal Aid Society
- O.C. Department of Mental Health
- O.C. Department of Probation
- Port Jervis City Court
- Port Jervis Police Department
- Restorative Management Inc.
- Rockland Psychiatric Center



Port Jervis Forensic Connections Program

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Referral:

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Forensic Court Connections Program

Serving the Port Jervis Community





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 with meaningful response to the problems posed by defendants with mental illness and co-occurring disorders involved with the justice system.

Overview of the 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 engaged in treatment. This allows the chance to follow a path towards recovery and a better way of life.

Goals of the Program

1. Reduce Recidivism
2. Divert individuals with mental health 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 as well as the program's Coordinator and Forensic 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 diagnosis.



Participant Criteria

- ❖ Individuals with mental illness or co-occurring disorders involved with the Port Jervis City Court
- ❖ Defendants with nonviolent misdemeanor charges
- ❖ Must be 16 years or older
- ❖ Participants must voluntarily agree to at least 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, as well as the Forensic Court Connections Team.

