

COURT TERMINOLOGY

Duty Counsel: Provides assistance for those without a lawyer.

Crown Attorney: Represents the courts in respect to your charges.

Remand: A court appearance is delayed to a future date.

Bail Hearing: Process to determine whether one can remain out of jail until their innocence or guilt is determined.

Peace Bond: A legal order not to contact another person or be at certain locations or addresses (also known as section 810 peace bond)

Not Criminally Responsible: When a person is determined to not be responsible for a crime due to severe mental illness. (assessment required)

Not Fit to Stand Trial: When a person is determined too mentally ill or incompetent to stand trial as they cannot understand what is taking place. (assessment required)

Notes:

Haliburton, Kawartha & Pine Ridge Region

MENTAL HEALTH COURT SUPPORT & DIVERSION PROGRAM

These programs are available in Haliburton, Kawartha Lakes, Peterborough and Northumberland Counties.

Court Support and Diversion Workers attend court in Lindsay, Northumberland County (Brighton, Port Hope, Cobourg) and Peterborough.

Serving Peterborough Court:
Canadian Mental Health Association
Peterborough Branch
466 George St. N
Peterborough, ON. K9H 3R7
Telephone: 705-748-6711
Fax: 705-748-2577

*Serving City of Kawartha Lakes and Minden Courts
and the Release from Custody Program:*
Canadian Mental Health
Association Kawartha Lakes Branch
2 Kent Street, West
Lindsay, ON. K9V 2Y1
Telephone: 705-328-2704
Fax: 705-328-2456

Serving Cobourg, Port Hope & Brighton Courts:
Campbellford and District Community
Mental Health Centre
146 Oliver Road,
Campbellford, ON. K0L 1L0
Telephone: 705-632-2015
Fax: 705-653-0436



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MENTAL HEALTH COURT SUPPORT & DIVERSION PROGRAM

Mental Health and Criminal Justice Concerns?
If so, we can help

COURT DIVERSION PROGRAM

- Provides assistance to individuals in conflict with the law who are experiencing mental health difficulties.
- Helps prepare a *Diversion Plan* as an alternative to court based sanctions and sentences.
- Works collaboratively with community partners both within and outside of the court environment.
- Assists in accessing appropriate mental health diagnosis, treatment, supports and follow-up to minimize further involvement in the criminal justice system.

ELIGIBILITY:

- Suggested or identified serious mental illness.
- 16 years of age and older.
- Charged with a minor offence.
- Agree to voluntarily participate in the program.
- Approval by Crown Attorney.

COURT SUPPORT PROGRAM

- Provides advocacy and support for clients and their families.
- Facilitates dialogue with duty counsel and court officials.
- Helps explain court procedures and terminology.
- Assists with appropriate assessment and treatment.
- Refers to appropriate community resources.

WE CAN CONNECT YOU WITH:

- Crisis programs.
- Substance abuse programs.
- Emergency housing.
- Services for intellectual disabilities.
- Case management.
- Court diversion.
- Release from custody programs.
- Psychiatric assessments.

*PRE-CHARGE DIVERSION PROGRAM FORMALLY OFFERED THROUGH PETERBOROUGH CMHA

RELEASE FROM CUSTODY PROGRAM

- Provides short term case management to clients immediately following discharge from jail.
- Provides an individualized assessment and support plan.
- Connects clients to community services and agencies which may include long term mental health assessments and supports.
- Helps clients avoid further involvement with the criminal justice system.
- Facilitates appropriate psychiatric assessment and medical treatment as needed.

SPECIALIZED CASE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES:

- Agencies which may include long term mental health assessments and supports.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE:

- Provides assistance to clients with substance abuse issues.

BEHAVIOURIST:

- Provides help with anger management, acting out, self harm etc.