

Crisis Services

If you or a loved one are in a behavioral health crisis, call the Maricopa Crisis Line at:

1-800-631-1314

Hearing Impaired (TTY/TDD):

1-800-327-9254

These lines are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week for crisis intervention, support and referrals.

Getting care in an emergency or crisis: In life-threatening situations, call 911.

For non-life threatening behavioral health situations, call: Your provider or therapist/clinical liaison.
The Maricopa Crisis Line
602-222-9444



Glendale City Court Mental Health Court

5711 W. Glendale Avenue
Glendale, AZ 85301
(623) 930-2400

Every Wednesday at 3:00

Courtroom #5

Elizabeth R. Finn, Presiding Judge

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What Happens In Mental Health Court?

- **Staffing:** Prior to every Mental Health Court calendar, the team gathers in Courtroom #1 to review all participants' progress and compliance.
- **Progress Reports:** Each participant's case manager prepares a detailed and timely report of client progress which is utilized at staffing to determine court orders and treatment guidelines.
- **Review Hearings:** Every two weeks, Mental Health Court is held in Courtroom #5 at Glendale City Court. You must appear when directed.
- **Contracts:** Mental Health Court participants enter into a contract with the Presiding Judge at each Review Hearing. The contract includes all court orders pertaining to the criminal case. It also outlines specific treatment requirements.
- **Diversion:** Case dismissal results when participants successfully complete all legal and clinical requirements and graduate from Mental Health Court.



Mental Health Court

Goals

To maintain personal stability and achieve success during your time in Mental Health Court. The average duration is 11 months. But, successful participants can finish in as little as 6 months.

In Mental Health Court, we do not care if you are guilty or not. We focus on you as a person. We want to help you get stable, connect you with appropriate community resources, and make sure you know who to call if you need help.

What does Mental Health Court

Cost?

There are no costs or fees whatsoever for MH Court participants. (However, restitution may be required in certain cases.)

Mental Health Court is a

Team

The same judge, court staff, prosecutor, public defender, case manager, Mercy Maricopa liaison and Hope Lives representative are assigned to cases in Mental Health Court. All these partners meet before and during Mental Health Court and share frequent progress reports to work commonly toward participant success.

Can I be Terminated From Mental Health Court?

Yes. Those who choose not to comply with court orders and treatment directives are removed from participation in Mental Health Court.

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Criteria

Anyone who is receiving mental health case management services from Mercy Maricopa Integrated Care or another agency is eligible for Mental Health Court. However, the Prosecutor determines who is eligible to participate.

What happens to my case after Mental Health Court?

Participants who successfully complete all legal and clinical requirements and graduate from Mental Health Court earn diversion (dismissal) of their criminal cases in Glendale City Court. And in some cases, Mental Health Court can begin after a guilty finding when diversion is not available.

