



Court-Based Mental Health Navigators

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VOLUNTARY

Court-Based Mental Health Navigators support justice-involved individuals with mental health needs by coordinating **VOLUNTARY** care, connecting them to services, and promoting engagement in recovery.

Navigators work within county government, courthouses, and local systems to provide guidance and foster rapid service connections.



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COMMUNICATION

Navigators abide by **HIPPA** rules for the purpose of engagement and preserving trust.

Navigators will not share information routinely with courts without authorization or legal cause.



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MENTAL HEALTH

Navigators will work with justice-involved individuals charged with a felony or misdemeanor, who remain in the community, and who have either a **KNOWN** or **SUSPECTED** history of serious mental illness (SMI).

Navigators will screen for social determinates and behavioral health needs.



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CONNECTIONS

Justice-involved individuals can request Navigator assistance, be identified by Navigators, or be referred for **VOLUNTARY** services by criminal court stakeholders.

Navigators collaborate with courts and service providers to connect individuals to resources.



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GOALS

Navigators will **HELP** identify needed behavioral health interventions early in the criminal justice process and **ADDRESS** barriers to mental health treatment, increasing connections to and engagement with community services.

Navigators seek opportunities to connect individuals facing barriers to adequate mental health support with diversion programs aimed at reducing incarceration.

