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How do I get involved in Court Link?

Speak to your legal representative or talk to Court Link officers at the Magistrates Court. You will be interviewed by Court Link officers to see if you are eligible. This information will then be given to the magistrate, who will decide if you can participate in Court Link.

Court Link is trying to help you with your health and social needs. It is very important you disclose all information to the Court Link officers helping you so they can connect you to the support you need in the community.

Court Link Helping you make positive changes





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What is Court Link?

Court Link is a court assessment, referral and support program.

It is a 12-week bail-based program helping people get the support and treatment they need to address the underlying contributors to their offending. Court Link provides participants with individual support together with referral to treatment and community support services.

Court Link focuses on a participant's problems to provide solutions to reduce re-offending and make communities safer.

Court Link helps participants live a full life in the community by improving their health and wellbeing, including reduced alcohol and or drug use and improved living conditions.

How can Court Link help me?

Professionally qualified Court Link officers will assess you to see what support you need. Court Link can connect you to community treatment and support services. If you need further support, Court Link officers will assist you for 12 weeks. This help includes:

- » working with you to identify your goals for positive changes in your life
- » connecting you with the right services to achieve your goals
- » providing guidance and support to achieve your goals
- » supporting you to attend your court appearances.

Court Link will connect you to services that can help you with:

- » finding somewhere secure to live
- » addressing problematic substance use
- » getting treatment for health issues
- » developing personal and life skills
- » establishing community links.

Am I eligible?

To be eligible to participate in Court Link, you must:

- » be before the Magistrate's Court
- » be on bail
- » be charged with any criminal offence, regardless of whether you will plead guilty or not guilty
- » have a physical or mental disability or illness
- » have a drug and/or alcohol dependency or misuse
- » be homeless or at the risk of homelessness
- » have inadequate social, family and economic support.