

Ada County Mental Health Court

Referral Checklist

1. Does the defendant live in Ada County? If not, is the client willing to relocate to Ada County? If yes, proceed to next item. **If no, this defendant is not eligible.**
2. Does the defendant have a traumatic brain injury? If no, proceed to next item. If yes, this defendant *MIGHT* be eligible depending on the extent of the injury. Contact MHC for further information.
3. Is the defendant developmentally delayed? If no, proceed to next item. **If yes, this defendant is not eligible.**
4. Is this defendant a registered sex offender, or is this defendant required to register as a sex offender pending the disposition of the current charge? If no, proceed to next item. **If yes, this defendant is not eligible.**
5. Does the defendant have a history of person to person violence? If no, proceed to next item. If yes AND the incident was a result of an untreated mental illness, proceed. If you are unsure, contact MHC for further information.
6. Does the defendant have a documented diagnosis of a mental illness? If yes, proceed to next item. If no, the defendant is unlikely to be eligible. Contact MHC for further information.
7. Is the documented mental illness bipolar disorder, schizophrenia, schizoaffective disorder, or another psychotic illness (such as major depression, severe, recurrent, with psychosis)? If yes, proceed to next item. If no, the defendant is unlikely to be eligible. Contact MHC for further information.
8. Does the defendant have any documented history of treatment for this mental illness for at least one year? If yes, proceed to next item. If no, the defendant is unlikely to be eligible. Contact MHC for further information.
9. If you have reached this point, the defendant is probably a good candidate for **referral** to Mental Health Court. **This does not mean the defendant is eligible!** IDHW will review each defendant's application to determine the standard of care for which they are eligible. **The Mental Health Court judge will make the final decision regarding all Mental Health Court applicants.**