Eligibility Criteria

Demographic Eligibility

- Must be a Montgomery or surrounding County resident (or resident of appropriate transferring county)
- Must be at least 18 years of age
- Eligible for VA benefits

Legal Eligibility

- Must have pending eligible criminal charges within Montgomery County and/or be in violation of probation/parole.
  - *Legal eligibility may require Deputy DA approval*
- No-out-of-state/out-of-county warrants (reviewed on a case-by-case basis)
- No-out-of-state/out-of-county pending charges (reviewed on a case-by-case basis)

Clinical Eligibility

- Must be diagnosed with a Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI), Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD), Military Sexual Trauma (MST), or Psychological and/or Substance Use Disorder (SUD), and deemed clinically appropriate for participation.

Additional eligibility standards can be obtained from the Supervision Services Treatment Court website.

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www.montgomerycountypa.gov/2530/treatment-courts



Montgomery County
Court of Common Pleas

Veterans Treatment Court

Honorable Carolyn Carluccio, *President Judge*
Honorable Steven T. O'Neill,
Treatment Courts Administrative Judge
Honorable Todd D. Eisenberg, *Judge*

Montgomery County Board of Commissioners
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MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Montgomery County Treatment Courts is to promote public safety and reduce recidivism by identifying and diverting justice involved individuals diagnosed with substance use disorder and/or serious mental illness into an appropriate diversionary program. We are committed to creating experiences and opportunities that champion diversity and recognize multiple pathways to recovery. Through a collaborative multidisciplinary team approach, we foster positive behavioral change, overall wellness, and recovery capital.

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Montgomery County Veterans Treatment Court

The Montgomery County Veterans Treatment Court was implemented in 2011 as a special component of the Court of Common Pleas. Through a multidisciplinary approach, the program identifies and provides an alternative to justice involved veterans cycling through the criminal justice system. The program adheres to the Ten Key Components and best practice standards of treatment courts. Veterans Treatment Court is highly structured, providing a combination of intensive supervision and treatment, along with drug and alcohol testing, veteran mentor, and on-going judicial interaction. The program utilizes evidence-based behavioral modification practices delivering incentives, service adjustments, and sanctions to promote positive behavioral change.

The Veterans Treatment Court Team consists of:

- The Judge
- District Attorney
- Public Defender
- Court Coordinator
- Treatment Courts Department
- The County Department of Veterans Affairs
- The United States Department of Veterans Affairs (VA)
- Montgomery County Correctional Facility
- Law Enforcement



Structure/Model

- Veterans Treatment Court receives referrals from a variety of sources including a self referral, arresting officers, probation/parole officers, District Justices, District Attorneys, and the defense bar.
- Participation in Veterans Treatment Court is voluntary.
- Referrals are categorized into four types: Diversion Cases (Post-plea/pre-sentence), Recovery Cases (Post-conviction), Hybrid Cases, and Restrictive Conditions of Probation Cases (Post-conviction).
- Sentencing may be deferred pending completion of the Veterans Treatment Court . Upon successful completion, eligible charges may be reduced or withdrawn.

Veterans Treatment Court Goals

- Connect participants with appropriate treatment, mentor support, and veteran specific resources.
- Promote public safety and reduce recidivism rates.
- Reduce time spent involved within the criminal justice system.
- Empower participants to become productive community members and strengthen their families.