

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The Diversion and Recovery team at Meridian focuses on diversion potential for cases with extensive incarcerations or being committed to forensic state hospitals. Once defendants have been identified with a mental illness or substance use disorder, Forensic Specialists assist them and their attorney with criminal proceedings.

Ongoing competency restoration training and education is provided in the jail and the community for each defendant.

Forensic Specialists monitor NGI and ITP, misdemeanor and felon clients. The program focuses on keeping clients from re-offending or mentally decompensating to such a degree that they require involuntary hospitalization.



Wellness is
within everyone's reach.



Our Mission

To promote the health, recovery, and well-being of those affected by mental illness and substance use disorders through prevention, coordinated treatment, and supportive services.



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Diversion and Recovery Services



CORE SERVICES

- Competency Restoration Training in jail and throughout the community.
- Client advocacy in court by attending all district forensic court hearings.
- Reports directly to the judge on mental health status of clients.
- Maintains contact with state hospitals and monitors discharge readiness of residents.
- Prepares conditional release plans for clients.
- Monitors all clients, ensuring compliance with conditional release court orders.

OTHER SERVICES PROVIDED

- Social and adult daily living skills training
- Educational modules (i.e. understanding medications)
- Symptom management
- Counseling support services
- Comprehensive intensive case management
- Specialized therapy groups that address trauma, criminal thinking, substance use, peer support and anger management.
- Moral Reconciliation Therapy



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To create a successful diversion from state hospitals, state prisons, and county jails by connecting clients to mental health and/or substance use disorder services throughout the community.

