Court Navigators

Navigating the court system can be hard. Some courts are adding court navigator positions to help. Interested? Here are some things a court navigator can do.

Responsibilities

- Assist court users in getting around the courthouse
- Help court users sign up for court reminders
- Link court users to community resources like:
 - Transportation assistance
 - Food and housing insecurity help
 - Resources for mental health, substance use, medical needs, and domestic violence support
- Link court users to criminal justice resources like:
 - Pretrial services
 - Reentry services
 - Driver's license restoration
 - Public defender's office
- Inform court users about the court process, including what they can expect and who can answer their questions
- Support court users who might be fearful or worried about court

Want to Learn More?

Read about the court navigator in Buncombe County, NC, here.

Policy Research Associates provides an overview of 18 court navigation programs in 22 states <u>here</u>.

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