

Alcohol Court Diversion Program



ACD Program is an 8 week holistic program for adults and young people that have been charged and plead guilty to an alcohol related offence.

The program is developed specifically to address individual needs in relation to offences and alcohol consumption. The ACDP links services and support that can help assist with dangers associated with excessive alcohol consumption and an associated lifestyle. As required the client's caseworker will provide ongoing support to access different services.

How can client's access the ACDP?

- Request at court to meet with an ACDP caseworker.
- A solicitor or duty solicitor can refer clients to ACDP for an eligibility assessment.
- Magistrate can be asked at court that a client be considered for an eligibility assessment.
- Indigenous clients can ask an ATSILS representative to be referred for an eligibility assessment.
- Phone the ACDP on the contact number provided.

What are the benefits of ACDP?

- Benefit to the client's health and wellbeing is determined by the level of the client's participation in support services.
- The client's success or otherwise in the ACDP will be taken into account upon sentencing.

What happens during the ACDP?

- Clients attend appointments with an ACDP caseworker and other programs or services for support.
- Magistrate sets a progress date for the client to return to court for a progress report which is provided by the ACDP caseworker. Magistrate will then set a further date for the client to return to court for sentencing.

Who can assist the client to make a decision to access ACDP?

- The decision to access support needs to be the client's. If assessed by ACDP to be eligible, the Magistrate will act as outlined.
- An ACDP caseworker can assist the client by answering questions about the program.
- A solicitor can discuss the client's options.
- Friends, family and other supports may assist clients to make a decision.

**Phone 5437 9499 and ask for the
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