



Referral to ACAT Information Sheet

Next Steps

The Court has referred your matter to ACAT.

The Court will have advised you of a date that your matter is likely to be listed at ACAT. This will usually be on a Tuesday morning.

Once ACAT receives the referral from the Court, ACAT will contact you to provide you with a formal listing notice confirming the date and time of a first directions hearing.

The directions hearing will be a short listing (usually about 15 minutes). If you prefer you can attend the directions hearing remotely (<https://www.acat.act.gov.au/remote>).

The purposes of the directions hearing are:

- for you to submit to the jurisdiction of ACAT (as required under the *Crimes Act 1990*);
- to confirm your contact details; and
- to explain the ACAT process and advise you of the next steps.

It is very important that you attend the directions hearing (either in person or remotely). You should check your mail regularly to ensure you don't miss details confirming when the directions hearing is to take place.

What if I haven't heard anything about my referral?

If you haven't heard from ACAT within 1 week of being referred, please contact the ACAT by:

- email at acatmentalhealth@act.gov.au;
- phone on 6207 1740; or
- in person at 15 Constitution Avenue, Canberra ACT 2601.

More information about ACAT can be found at <https://www.acat.act.gov.au>.

Date of my directions hearing: