

Kensington Wellness Court is an innovative community-based program. It offers same-day diversion from arrest to judicially supervised treatment. Standard diversion takes days or weeks.

Kensington Wellness Court Same-Day Process

Street

Arrest for drug-related summary offense
(the lowest category of criminal charges)

**Kensington
Wellness
Support
Center**

Medical screening and care, including
withdrawal management

Arrest processing and diversion eligibility
verification

Diversion offered

Consultation with legal counsel

Bench warrant clearance (if needed)

Behavioral health assessment and treatment
placement, referral to case management

**Kensington
Wellness
Court**

Court approval of diversion OR
same-day summary trial

“Wellness court is a diversion program that offers multiple paths towards, safety, treatment, and recovery allowing people to turn away from incarceration. I’m 100% in support of people getting out of the carceral system and into a system of care.”

**—Casey O’Donnell, CEO
Impact Services**

“The Kensington Wellness Court will draw on lessons learned from community courts across the country, while adding its own blend of Philadelphia compassion and toughness.”

**—The Center for Justice
Innovation**