

WASHINGTON COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES, INC.
CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILY SERVICES
PROGRAM COMPONENTS
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FAMILY PARTNERSHIP AND SUPPORTS.

Coordinator: Sara Miller

Description: Case management services are focused on providing individualized services for children, youth who are experiencing a serious emotional disturbance and their families. Children and youth served are typically at risk of a more restrictive placement, and/or multi-agency involvement.

Accessing Case Management: Referrals are made by calling the WCMHS Navigation team at 229-0591.

MICRO RESIDENTIAL HOMES

Coordinator: Meaghan Holmsten

Description: Micro residences are residential programs that provide intensive community-based services to children and youth with challenging behavior. Up to four residents are served in each home. CYFS currently operates four such homes. Each specializes in serving residents with specific needs. The primary goal of the homes is to provide stable treatment-based placements to children and youth who have experienced multiple placements, extended residential placements or who would otherwise be hospitalized.

Accessing Micro Residential Homes: This service is limited to children and youth referred by the Department of Children and Families or those eligible for a Department of Mental Health Home and Community-Based waiver.

J.O.B.S. (JUMP ON BOARD FOR SUCCESS)

Coordinator: Paul Miller

Description: These transition services are designed to assist older youth (up to their 22nd birthday) experiencing a serious emotional disturbance to prepare for independent living, college, or other post high school living situations. J.O.B.S. provides community-based supported employment services for emotionally/behaviorally disturbed youth between the ages of 16 and 22.

Accessing JOBS: JOBS serves youth referred by the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation.

RESPIRE CARE

Coordinator:

Description: Respite care services are designed to give limited, planned, scheduled breaks to families caring for a child or youth experiencing, or at risk of experiencing a serious emotional disturbance. The grant-funded program serves biological or adoptive families. The respite program may provide overnight respite services through licensed DCF foster care providers.

Accessing Respite Care Services: Respite care services are accessed through the respite care coordinator and go through the Navigation Team (229-4565).

EARLY CHILDHOOD AND FAMILY MENTAL HEALTH

Coordinator: Maria D’Haene

Description: Outreach specialists provide clinical and consultation services in conjunction with other area agencies. Services are focused on young children (age 0 to 6) experiencing (or at risk of) a serious emotional disturbance and their families. ECGMH is an outreach-oriented program that serves families in their homes and communities.

Accessing ECFMH: Referrals are through the Navigation Team (229 0591).

NEW LEAF FAMILY CHILD CARE

Coordinator: Tabitha McGlynn

Description: New Leaf provides specialized day care services for children age 0 – 3. Its primary focus is on serving children experiencing or at risk of a serious emotional disturbance and children with developmental issues and their families.

Accessing New Leaf Family Child Care: Information about accessing services can be obtained from Nicole Mondejar.

LOCAL INTERAGENCY TEAM (LIT)/COORDINATED SERVICES PLANNING (CSP)

Facilitator: Sara Miller

Description: The Case Review component of the Local Interagency Team is facilitated by WCMHS. The LIT is an interagency team mandated by the Agency of Human Services and the Department of Education. Extensive information about the LIT can be found on the AHS website (humanservices.vermont.gov) by following the link to the Barre District Home Page.

Referral Process: The referral process and all forms are available at the website (above).

Success Beyond Six Services

SCHOOL BASED BEHAVIOR INTERVENTIONIST SERVICES (SBBIS)

Director: Tiffany Hubbard

Description: The program works with referred children, their school and their family to deliver an individualized set of services designed to prevent out-of-the-community placement. Eligible children are those experiencing a serious emotional disturbance or an autism spectrum disorder. Various levels of behavioral consultation to schools are also available.

STARS

Coordinator: Jasmine Boucher

Description: The STARS (Specialized Treatments And Reaching Success) Program focuses on providing individualized social skills instruction, academic instruction, communication supports and behavioral supports to youth up to the age of 22 in the Washington County Area.

Accessing STARS: Eligible youth are those experiencing an Autism Spectrum Disorder and/or other developmental disability that have been referred to STARS by their local education agency’s Special Education Director and/or administrator.

HOME-SCHOOL COORDINATORS/ PBIS BEHAVIOR ANALYSTS

Coordinator: Heidi Otterman

Description: Children, Youth and Family Services clinicians/case managers work in contracting schools to provide home/school coordination, interagency service coordination and direct services to children and youth experiencing a serious emotional disturbance and their families. PBIS HSCs perform similar duties and assist the contracting school with the implementation of its Positive Behavior Intervention and Support system.

Accessing Home School Coordination: This service is only available to schools contracting with Children, Youth and Family Services for the service.

ChOICE Academy

Director: Lisa Estivill

HS Coordinator: Cara Cascadden

MS/IP Coordinator: Angela Fagginger Auer

Description: *Ch.O.I.C.E.* (Changing Our Ideas Concerning Education) Academy, a licensed independent school, is an integrated transitional mental health treatment facility/educational center. Ch.O.I.C.E. provides educational and therapeutic services to youth with severe emotional and behavioral challenges (ages 12 – 22 in grades 5 – 12). Enrollment is voluntary and limited to youth currently unable to access their education in a mainstream setting. Ch.O.I.C.E. Academy can also provide individualized educational wraparound services to youth with extremely severe emotional and behavioral challenges

Accessing the programs affiliated with Ch.O.I.C.E. Referrals are made through local education agency special education directors.

BECKLEY DAY PROGRAM

Coordinator: Amanda Badeau

Description: Beckley Day program is a Department of Education licensed tutorial site designed to serve elementary age students whose behavior challenges necessitate their removal from their local school.

Accessing Beckley Day Program: Referrals are made through local education agency special education directors.

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