

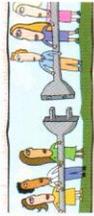
Collaboration with Families

Although each family team will develop an Individualized Plan of Care to meet the unique needs of the child and family, an underlying goal for every family in Coordinated Services Team is that they have "voice, access and ownership".

Voice: Parents should feel they have a voice in decisions that are made about their child and family. This includes being listened to and respected.

Access: The child and parent should have access to the services needed to meet their needs.

Ownership: The parent agrees with and is committed to the plans concerning their child and family



If you are interested in learning more about Coordinated Services Team or are interested in becoming a community partner, please contact

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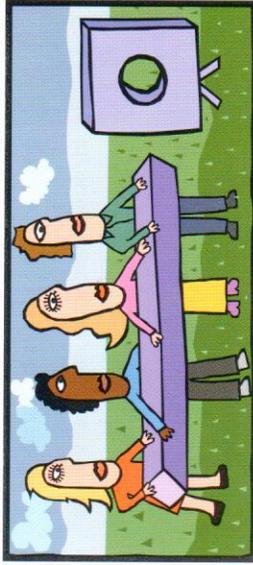
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Coordinated Services Team



A Collaborative System
of Care

Coordinated Services Team (CST)

What is Coordinated Services Team?

The Coordinated Services Team (CST) strives to keep children with multiple and persistent needs in their homes, schools, and community through a comprehensive, coordinated interagency system of care.

Each interagency family team in the CST

process develops an individualized plan for each child and family enrolled. The plan is based on the identified strengths and needs of the family and team members. Parents are partners on the team and are involved throughout every stage of the process.

Plans change as circumstances in the life of the child and family change. Services are supported through the collaborative efforts of community agencies, local schools, government, law enforcement and volunteer efforts. Outcomes and progress are measured and evaluated often.



Eligibility for CST

If the child you are considering referring meets the following four criteria areas, contact Sarah Kravick or Sara Shaver, (608-745-4900) to begin the referral process.

⇒ Child is involved in at least **two** of the following direct services:

- Mental Health
- Special Education
- Juvenile Justice
- Child Protective Services
- AODA
- Major Medical
- Developmental Disability

⇒ Other interventions have not been successful over time; persistent obstacles to service access; and/or there is a need for service coordination

⇒ Child is at risk of out of home placement (or is transitioning from an out of home placement)

⇒ Parents are willing to be involved in the CST process (or at least be willing to hear about it)

Guiding Principles of Coordinated Services Teams

Family Centered: Services are based on specific needs of the child and family, not on a particular categorical service or intervention model. Services are based on the strengths that are unique to each family and their support network.

Strength Based: Planning is based on the assumption that each person is unique and possesses strengths. Strength can be found in attitudes, values, skills preferences and dreams. Strengths are expected to emerge, be clarified and change over time.

Community Based: Whenever possible, services are provided in the community where the child and family live. More restrictive or institutional care should be accessed for brief periods only when no other community alternative is available.

Culturally Competent: Family teams Plan of Care are culturally sensitive and tailored to the culture and values of the individual family.

Unconditional: If a specific service or support is not meeting the child or family's needs, the family team does not "give up" or end. Rather, individualized services and supports are changed to meet the needs of the child and family.

Outcome Oriented: Expectations are measured, based on the life of the individual child and family, and changed as the needs of the child and family change. Progress is monitored and each team member participated in defining success.