

Cumberland County Youth Services Advisory Council



**CUMBERLAND COUNTY
HUMAN SERVICES**
Division of Mental Health & Addiction Services

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Detention

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program descriptions

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Prevention

Wawa Summer Youth Employment - Cumberland County Department of Workforce Development

The program engages at-risk youth ages 16 - 20 in meaningful, productive employment during the summer. Job coaching services are provided to program participants during the months of March - September. Youth who attend Bridgeton, Cumberland Regional, Millville, and Vineland High Schools are eligible to participate in the program.

School and self-referrals are accepted. Contact: Jmendez@ccoel.org, 856-696-5660 Ext. 3030

Euphoria Youth Center - United Advocacy Group

Euphoria Youth Center provides a safe environment to socialize, play games, and engage in healthy life skills groups for at-risk teens in the greater Bridgeton area, in an effort to reduce negative behavior, gang involvement, and other community-based violent activities.

The center is open to all Cumberland County youth ages 12-18, at moderate to high risk of involvement with the Juvenile Justice System.

Contact: taviaus@unitedadvocacygroup.org, 856-506-7430

Diversion

Sexting Intervention Program - Center for Family Services

The program is designed to educate youth and their caregivers on the dangers and consequences of sexting. In addition to sexting, the program also provides education on other relevant and related topics such as internet safety, social media use, cyberbullying, healthy relationships, and parent education. The program serves ages 8-17.

Referral sources include: FCIU/MRSS, Law Enforcement, Schools and School-Based Youth Services, Juvenile Probation and Family Court. See referral form.

Drug and Alcohol Services - Cumberland County Department of Human Services, Alcohol & Drug Services Office (First Step Clinic)

The program provides comprehensive drug and alcohol evaluations; Level .05 early intervention services; Level one outpatient treatment for substance abusing adolescents; Urine drug screens; Case management/outreach coach services; Limited expedited evaluations at the Courthouse upon request of the Court; Family education, support and treatment; Mental health evaluations, as needed. The program serves ages 12 and up.

Referral sources include: FCIU/MRSS, Law Enforcement, Schools and School-Based Youth Services, Juvenile Probation and Family Court. See referral form.

Youth Mentoring - United Advocacy Group

The Youth Mentoring Program is designed to serve youth ages 12-19 who are at risk of becoming involved in the Cumberland County Juvenile Justice System. By providing a consistent one-on-one relationship with a trained, credible community worker with lived experience, youth can receive relevant assistance and support to remain compliant with court orders and/or probation requirements. The program will also engage at-risk students who exhibit consistent negative behaviors, i.e. repeated suspensions, fighting in school, truancy, blatant gang involvement, and/or have been involved in domestic violence.

Referral sources include: FCIU/MRSS, Law Enforcement, Schools and School-Based Youth Services, Juvenile Probation and Family Court. See referral form.

Diversion

In-Home Counseling - Youth Advocate Programs

In-Home Counseling services for youth ages 8-17 who are involved with, or at risk of involvement with the Family Court System. The program provides special attention to youth and families with a serious conflict between parent/guardian and juvenile and a serious threat to the well-being/physical safety of the juvenile.

Referral sources include: FCIU/MRSS, Law Enforcement, Schools and School-Based Youth Services, Juvenile Probation and Family Court. See referral form.

Disposition

Connect Two In-Home Counseling - Acenda Integrated Health

The Connect Two Program provides in-home services to youth ages of 8 - 17 who are involved in Juvenile Probation and/or serving a term of probation or have been court ordered by the Family Court. The program engages the entire family in order to improve child and family functioning and ensure appropriate structure and limits. When requested by the referral source, the program provides targeted educational advocacy services. Most families receive services within a 10-12 week time frame

Referral sources include: Family Court and Juvenile Probation. See referral form.

PASOs Sex Offender Services - Center for Family Services

Services are for youth ages 8 -17 who are before the court due to charges involving issues of a sexual nature. Services include: (1) Forensic Sex Offender evaluations. Evaluation and diagnose referred clients to establish the perpetrator's sexual abuse/assault history. The evaluation report includes recommendations for service planning. Evaluations are completed by a Master's level Clinician, with experience evaluating juvenile sex offenders. (2) Individual Sex Offender Therapy which includes an individual service plan to address the specific emotional, physical, and social needs of the youth in order to reduce the likelihood of recidivism, delinquency, and other criminal behaviors. Service includes weekly reports to referring agency and a discharge summary/after-care and safety plan. Therapy is provided by a Master's Level Clinician.

Referral sources include: Family Court and Juvenile Probation. See referral form.

Drug and Alcohol Services, Cognitive Skills - Cumberland County Department of Human Services, Alcohol & Drug Services Office (First Step Clinic)

The program provides comprehensive drug and alcohol evaluations; Level .05 early intervention services; Level one outpatient treatment for substance abusing adolescents; Urine drug screens; Case management/outreach coach services; Limited expedited evaluations at the Courthouse upon request of the Court; Family education, support and treatment; Mental health evaluations, as needed. The program serves ages 12 and up.

Cognitive Skills training teaches a small group (10 - 15) of selected juveniles ages 8 - 17 new life skills in an effort to provide them with alternative methods and options to deal with anger, frustration and perceived lack of choices.

Referral sources include: Family Court and Juvenile Probation See referral form.

"B" R.E.A.L. Mentoring - Youth Advocate Programs

The program seeks to reduce court involvement and improve the life trajectories of those participating. The "B" R.E.A.L. (Better Relationships and Education for Advancement in Life) mentoring program will provide YAP's proven effective wraparound advocacy model to diminish youths' ages 12-18 delinquent and problem behavior(s) in order to prevent and/or preclude future court involvement.

Referral sources include: Family Court and Juvenile Probation. See referral form.

Detention

In-Home Detention - Youth Advocate Programs

Program services for youth ages 14 - 21 include: frequent, random face-to-face contact with juveniles and their families, and monitoring of school and/or work attendance. Although supervision may include phone contact via a landline telephone, a landline does not supersede admission to the program. Reliance on a landline will not create a barrier to admission to the program. There are two primary goals of the In-Home Detention Program: 1) To ensure the youth's presence at the next court hearing; and 2) To provide short-term supervision sufficient to safely maintain appropriate youth in the community while awaiting the final disposition of his or her case.

Youth are referred by Family Court. See referral form.

Please contact Sam Williams, Youth Services Administrator or Julie Condo, Youth Services Assistant with any questions or if a referral form is needed.

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