



Foster Care and Community Programs Therapeutic Foster Care – New York

Description

KidsPeace Foster Care and Community Programs (FCCP) is a community-based therapeutic foster care program for children needing placement outside of their family of origin. This program serves children who are exhibiting severe emotional or behavioral problems requiring weekly caseworker visits to the treatment home. Specific services provided in this category would also include emergency shelter care, pregnant teenagers, adjudicated delinquents, mother/child placements and medically fragile populations. In addition, any child coming from a more restrictive setting would be appropriate for this category.

Population Served

The Therapeutic Foster Care program serves males and females from infancy through age 21. Treatment services address a wide variety of social and emotional difficulties, developmental delays, learning problems, psychological disturbances and behavioral challenges. The program has also worked successfully with pregnant teens and teenage mothers. The program is inappropriate for children who are actively suicidal, overly aggressive, active fire-setters or who are in need of 24-hour awake supervision.

Treatment services provided by KidsPeace

- 24-hour crisis intervention
- Service plan review (FASP)
- Aftercare services (with separate contract)
- Permanency planning reporting
- Linkage to community-based service providers
- Dependable, professional support from foster parents
- Case management services
- Frequent monitoring and treatment planning with mental health/therapy service providers
- Frequent communications with referral agency staff
- Weekly in-person casework services
- Respite care if needed
- Educational monitoring

Treatment services provided by a contract agent of KidsPeace or a community provider

- Psychiatric evaluations as indicated
- Medical/physical/dental examinations
- Mental health and therapy services as needed
- Psychological evaluations as indicated
- Appropriate educational placement

Staff-to-Client Ratio

Maximum caseload size is 8 children per caseworker for therapeutic children.

Hours of Operation

The FCCP program is available for placements 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Notification of acceptance into the program will be given at the time of the referral, for emergency placements or on most occasions within 24 hours of receiving the referral.

For additional information or to make a referral, please contact:

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