

FOR A SAFER WORLD

Forensic Treatment Services offers evaluation, assessment, and treatment for offenders who have caused interpersonal harm, including sexual offenses, domestic or intimate violence, child abuse, or community violence. Adults and adolescents are included. Services include: individual and group therapy, psychological evaluation and testing, risk assessment, psychosexual evaluations, sexual offender evaluations, polygraph testing, psychoeducational groups, family reunification and therapy, expert testimony, and clinical consultation.

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FORENSIC TREATMENT SERVICES

Forensic Treatment Services provides comprehensive, intensive, often long-term outpatient treatment services for adult and adolescent offenders.

FTS offers assessment and treatment for:

- Adult sexual offenders
- Adult domestic/intimate violence offenders
- Sexually Aggressive Youth
- Perpetrators of Child abuse

Offenders present difficult and complicated issues in treatment and management. Unfortunately, if treatment is not effective at addressing and managing the clients' violent or deviant behavior, the community is at great risk and the chance of the client solidifying a pattern of violence and exploitation is greater. Clients have a difficult time accepting responsibility and they may not hold themselves accountable for their own behavior. They have complex and intricate systems of denial, minimization, rationalization, and justification that need to be addressed vigorously.

FORENSIC MODEL OF TREATMENT

Treatment of offenders differs from the traditional psychotherapy in numerous ways:

- There is an emphasis on supervision, management, and collaboration with others to ensure community safety.
- The model takes into account the deception of offenders. Self-reports of behavior are verified through other sources.
- Treatment is driven by the needs of, injury to, and safety of victims, not by the needs of the offender for security or to avoid discomfort.
- Behaviors and behavior patterns are the focus, rather than a focus limited to intrapsychic understanding of "why" the offender abused. Behaviors are immediately addressed to ensure community safety. Family of origin or other issues are addressed, secondary to changes in behavior and deviance.
- Family reunification and victim clarification are driven by the treatment team and the victim, not the offender or the offender's family.
- Cognitive therapy, reoffense prevention models, skills building, and family therapy will be used.

THE PROGRAM REQUIRES ADHERENCE TO A NUMBER OF TREATMENT RULES TO INSURE APPROPRIATE SUPERVISION AND DECREASE RISK OF REOFFENSE.

ADMISSION CRITERIA

Most any client who exhibits problematic aggression or domination in the family is acceptable into the program.

- May be male or female clients.
- May or may not be adjudicated dependents or criminally involved.
- Must be willing to follow program rules.
- Must be willing to solicit support and involvement from primary support resources, partners, or others.
- If there is a psychiatric disorder, must be manageable and medication compliant.
- Must be manageable and responsive to an outpatient level of treatment.

Referrals can be made through caseworkers, therapists, physicians, probation officers, or parents. Referrals begin through a phone call to the case manager of the program. **Referrals must include any police reports, investigation information, victim accounts, treatment records, or evaluations prior to the scheduling of any intake appointment.**

Clients who prove, after attempts at treatment, themselves to unmanageable not amenable to treatment may be discharged and referred to a higher level of care.