

Extended Day Program Highlights

- Transportation and meals are provided.
- Structured environment with 1:4 adult/participant ratio, and each youth is assigned to an individual counselor.
- Daily Skillstreaming groups.
- Many of the skills are taught during social and recreational activities including regularly scheduled field trips to community and cultural events.
- Youth receive individualized academic support during the school year.
- Program is often open during school closures including teacher work days.

Extended Day Program Hours

In-School Session:

Monday – Friday
9am – 6pm

Summer:

June – August 2014
Monday – Friday
9am – 6pm

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Access Community Center provides a broad range of community support and behavioral enrichment services for youth and families.



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Extended Day Program



Therapeutic after-school & summer programming for youth (ages 8 – 18)

Our Goal

The Extended Day Program (EDP) is a center-based, multi-component intervention for youth (ages 8 to 18). The program operates year round during after school and summer vacation hours, and aims to maintain youth in their least restrictive environments.

The primary goals of EDP are to reduce youth mental health symptoms, enhance youth strengths and competencies, promote better functioning, and prevent restrictive placements.

Our Extended Day Program provides:

- Individualized programming based on needs and abilities.
- Structured activities during the “at-risk” after school and summer vacation hours in which youth are most likely to engage in negative and/or at-risk behaviors.
- The opportunity for improvements in social, emotional, and behavioral functioning.
- A deterrent to restrictive placements such as Residential Treatment Facilities (RTFs).

Appropriate Clients

Those who can benefit most from the Extended Day Program are males and females from ages 8 to 18 who:

- Are diagnosed with or exhibiting symptoms of behavioral disorder and/or emotional disturbance.
- Are having difficulty functioning at home, in school, and/or in other community/social settings.
- Are at risk of restrictive placement.

Service Modalities

Services of the Extended Day Program are offered in a highly structured therapeutic setting, and an individualized treatment plan is developed for each youth in the program. Treatment modalities include:

- Skillstreaming groups
- Behavior Modification
- Recreation
- Positive Youth Development projects
- Individual and group counseling and support
- Individualized academic support
- Family education and support

Common challenges of youth attending this program are:

- Attention Deficit/Hyperactive Disorder (ADHD)
- Mood Disorders
- Oppositional Defiant Disorder
- Anxiety and Depression
- Disruptive Behavior

Admissions

Admissions are through referrals from one of the following designated state referring agencies:

- Division of the Continuum of Care for Emotionally Disturbed Children
- Department of Disabilities and Special Needs
- Department of Education and Local Education Agencies
- Department of Juvenile Justice
- Department of Mental Health
- Department of Social Services

Parents & Guardians

If you would like to have your child participate in the Extended Day Program, contact our admissions office at (803) 957-0794.

Fees

All program services are covered by Medicaid. The youth must be Medicaid eligible in order to participate in the Extended Day Program.

