



Southwestern Indiana Regional System of Care

A System of Care is a coordinated network of community-based services and supports that are organized to meet the challenges faced by youth with serious mental illness needs and their families. A System of Care is not limited to traditional mental health services, and the goal is to “wrap services around the family.”

In 2011, Southwestern Behavioral Healthcare, Inc. received a two year grant from the Division of Mental Health and Addictions to develop a System of Care (SOC) to serve children in Vanderburgh, Gibson, Posey and Warrick Counties.

The purpose of the initial grant was to establish an interagency collaboration, referred to as a SOC, which will coordinate services for families who have children experiencing serious emotional disturbances. Services will include, but are not limited to, **High Fidelity Wraparound**.

F.A.C.E.S is our local System of Care organization. Currently, the council consists of representatives from mental health services, healthcare, child welfare, juvenile justice, education, department of child services (DCS), social services, childcare providers, parents, the private sector, and other child-serving entities.

Successful Systems of Care provide positive outcomes for children/youth including significant improvements in school performance, and a decrease in suspensions, expulsions, suicide attempts, arrest rates, placement changes, and PTSD symptoms.

Our Mission: "Families and communities collaborating to establish partnerships which enhance our children's social and emotional health thereby improving the entire community's quality of life."

Our Vision: Children with extraordinary needs will be able to remain in a home setting by increasing the family and child's ability to meet needs independently.

What is High Fidelity Wraparound?

Wraparound is a team-based planning process intended to provide coordinated, complete, **family-driven** care that meets the complex needs of youth who are involved with multiple “systems”. Systems include mental health, child welfare, juvenile justice and special education.

Wraparound services create change and build upon family assets.

Who is Eligible?

- Wraparound is for families of children who are diagnosed with serious mental illness who are looking for support.
- Traditional services have not been effective.
- Must be a resident of Gibson, Posey, Warrick, or Vanderburgh County.
- Child must be under 18 or still in high school.
- Involved with two “systems”.
- At risk of out of home placement.
- Family is willing to participate in the wraparound process.

What Can the Family Expect?

Families can expect to meet with a Wraparound Facilitator who will explain the Wraparound process. Families will be expected to identify the family's needs, strengths, and goals. They will identify team members and participate in regular Child and Family Team Meetings.

As an added benefit, there is a new C.O.R.E. Resource Room available for the community at the Downtown Evansville YMCA that is packed full of information on agencies and their services. Contact Sean at 423-9622.

Referral Process: A family member, service provider, community member or parent can refer a child for services. Once the referral is completed and submitted, additional assessments will be administered. The information will be reviewed by a collaborative team and the family will be accepted into the program or referred to other services.

For more information or to make a referral contact:
Lori McIntire, System of Care Coordinator
 812-423-7791