



The Enhanced Foster Care Support Program is designed to support foster parents, children and relatives in article 10 placements. We know that children in foster care can experience multiple placements. The primary goals of this program are to stabilize the placement, avoid disruptions, and move the child to their permanent living situation as quickly as possible. You can expect the therapist to partner with the County Caseworker, the foster parent, the child and the child's permanency resource from the beginning and throughout the intervention.

Enhanced Foster Care Support Program includes:

- Master's level clinicians
- Immediate response to referral (within 24 hours)
- 24 hour a day availability
- At least one home-based visit per week to provide clinical support for the youth placed in the foster home. Clinicians work on routines within the home, trauma issues impacting the child and includes working with foster parents on managing youth behavior and understanding how the youth's past experiences impact their behavior and relationships
- Weekly consultation with foster family or relatives to ensure that the placement is stable and nurturing to promote the growth/ development and well-being of the children
- Skills-based approach using trauma informed practice as a treatment model lens
- Formulation and creation of treatment plans to meet the children's social, emotional, practical, behavioral and safety needs
- Crisis assistance
- Linkage to community services



Enhanced Foster Care Support Goals:

- Promote the safety and well-being of children and family members
- Support foster parents to develop parenting abilities
- Utilize strengths to support their efforts in creating a stronger family unit
- Further the creation of a stable and nurturing family environment in which children can grow and develop
- Maintain and build upon primary family connections
- Improve individual and family functioning within the context of their culture and community

For more information about the program or for assistance to make a referral, please visit:

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