



Family Adolescent Crisis Emergency Intervention Team (FACE IT)

Evolution Counseling Service's Family Adolescent Crisis Emergency Intervention Team (FACE IT) is a promising practice intervention/prevention program. This on-call Crisis Response program designed to work with youth and families 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. FACE IT is designed to be an all-encompassing approach that will be utilized specifically by Blair County CYF & JPO agencies to provide an in-home emergency intervention at the time the family is in need. This Crisis Emergency Intervention treatment model has been developed to better serve the needs of a larger population of youth and their families in Blair County. This emergency response approach is an in-home prevention/intervention family service that will be provided 24 hours a day, 7 days a week when families are in crisis. This unique service will be able to address the county and family's needs at all levels.

Key Components:

- Available to ALL Blair County youth identified by CYF & JPO
- Emergency availability (24/7 on-call)
- Youth/Families can stay open after the crisis is managed for 3 to 4 months and CYF/JPO will not have to remain open
- MH/Behavioral Health professionals at a very efficient hourly rate.
- Program Clinical Director: Licensed Clinical Social Worker
- Masters and/or Bachelor Level Counselors
- Late Night & Early morning interventions (24/7)
- Transportation provided
- Collaboration w Courts, Schools, CYF, JPO, Teen Shelter, Crisis, & Community Resources
- Strength Based Outcome Driven
- Referrals to ongoing Individual, Family, and Group Counseling
- Data collected at intake, during service, time of closing, 6 months, 12 months.

County Collaboration: FACE IT will work in collaboration with Children, Youth and Families, Juvenile Probation, Juvenile Courts, Magisterial District Judges, Schools, Teen Shelter, UPMC Crisis, and Community Resources

Target Population: Identified youth (aged 0 to 18) and their families that have been identified as "being in crisis" by CYF & JPO.

Referral Sources: Blair County Children, Youth and Families and the Juvenile Probation Office.

Goals for Service: Family Adolescent Crisis Emergency Intervention Team (FACE IT) will allow CYF and JPO to access an on-call therapist/counselor to provide an emergency response to



help youth and families in their time of need. Although the primary focus will be emergency crisis intervention, the team will work with the family to develop a treatment plan that will be unique to that family's needs. Therapist/counselors will attend all scheduled family/youth appointments, court hearings, school meetings, transportation, crisis intervention, etc. The program will focus on whatever treatment modality best matches to the family/youth as identified by the family/youth and the team. The counselors will follow up after the emergency intervention to help advocate, engage, motivate and applaud the smallest of steps in the right direction. This may include crisis intervention, tutoring, transportation, individual counseling, peer groups, family activities, and family counseling. Participation from the parent/guardian/student is key to completing each phase of the program and ensuring positive growth. Meeting on a weekly basis is a required part of participating in the program. This is an important component to reaching not only the long-term goals of the family but to also target important issues immediately like family cohesion, communication and conflict resolution.