Directory of Services

Since 1958, The Guidance Center has responded to the ever-changing needs of Downriver and Southeast Michigan residents as an innovative leader in providing quality behavioral health, substance abuse, education and community outreach services to children, adults and families.

This private, non-profit agency is leading the way in creating new prevention and educational models to help more than 25,000 people every year.
Early Childhood

Education Services

Early Head Start — for children birth—3 years old and for expectant mothers promoting prenatal education, growth & health information, parenting education including fatherhood education, classes on newborn care, and more.

Head Start — for children 3—4 years old promoting school readiness by enhancing social and cognitive development through educational, health, nutritional, social and other services.

Great Start Readiness Program — preschool programming for 4-year-old children who may be at risk of school failure.

Mental Health Services

Parent Infant — home-based parent-infant support and intervention services for families.

Bridges — intervention program for preschool-aged children experiencing difficulties at home and/or preschool.

Support Services

Adult/Child Playgroups

Parent Education Program

Families & Schools Together — multifamily groups for babies, pre-K and kids to enable parents to make their families stronger and prevent problems before they start.

Early Learning Communities — provides caregivers, teachers & parents tools and training to ensure that the children they care for start school well prepared.

Community Resource Centers — Lending library, literacy events, tutoring, parenting classes, family workshops, Clothing Closet, Diaper Depot, after-school programs, food services, summer camp, youth groups, workshops and interest groups.

Early On — early intervention services for children birth to 3 years old with developmental delay(s) and/or disabilities.

Parents As Teachers — home visits to support developmental growth of children birth to 5 years old.

Kids-TALK Children’s Advocacy Center

Forensic interviewing, advocacy, medical evaluations, and mental health services for child victims of alleged abuse, neglect, or trauma. Child abuse prevention and education provided in schools and other settings.

Children & Youth

Behavioral Health Services

Children’s Outpatient Program — Office-based individual, family and group therapy, case management, nursing & psychiatric services, Youth in Transition.

Home-Based Program — Intensive therapeutic and case management services provided in the home or community as well as office-based nursing and psychiatric services.

Wraparound — A family-driven team-based planning process that coordinates services to meet the complex needs of children & youth who are involved in child-serving systems (e.g., mental health, child welfare, juvenile justice).

Children’s Crisis Screening — Assessment and referral for children & youth experiencing a potential psychiatric crisis.
**Positive Youth Development**

Juvenile Justice Services — Home-based intensive case management, substance abuse and mental health services (including Multi-Systemic Therapy) for youth adjudicated in the 3rd Circuit Court.

Prevention and Diversion — Services for youth including substance abuse prevention, school-based and after-school programs, mentoring, and the SUDDs Coalition; for at-risk youth the Youth Assistance Program and Project EXCEL.

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**Adult Services**

**Adult Behavioral Health**

- Case management
- Psychiatric
- Individual, family and group therapy
- Psychological testing
- Nursing
- Skill building
- Assertive Community Treatment
- Workforce development
- Supported employment

**Community Recovery**

Workshops to promote recovery and develop skills to promote health and well being.

**Substance Abuse**

For adults and adolescents with difficulties directly related to drug and/or alcohol use and dependency. Provides both adult and adolescent outpatient and intensive outpatient services as well as individual and group therapy.

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**Developmental Disabilities**

**Services for all ages**

- Case management
- Psychology
- Psychiatry
- Speech, occupational, & physical therapy
- Sensory integration
- Individual, family, & group therapy
- Nursing services
- Community living supports
- Respite care
- Vocational and skill building
- Guardianship
- Transition planning
- Advocacy
- Applied Behavioral Analysis
- Peer mentoring
- Children’s Waiver Program
- Autism Waiver
Our Mission

To enhance the development and well-being of children, adults and families in need throughout the communities we serve.

Our Vision

The people we serve will thrive at home, school, work and community life.

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