



Hancock County Family and Children First Council

The Hancock County Family and Children First Council (FCFC) includes mandated and non-mandated agencies, government, non-profit organizations, and parents from throughout Hancock County. These members work together as partners to improve the well-being of youth and families in our community by identifying gaps and avoiding duplication of services offered.

The Hancock County FCFC offers Service Coordination and Wraparound Services to youth and families in Hancock County. Families with multi-system youth (MSY) who have needs in two or more systems and are ages birth through 21; are at-risk for out of home placement and in need of intensive services to support a stable home environment; and whose families who are actively willing to participate in the process are eligible.

When should I make a referral?

Make a referral if a youth/family is struggling with two of the following: school work, behavioral issues, social well-being, medical or developmental delays, criminal justice involvement, child protective services involvement, mental health crisis, coping skills, finances, housing, parenting, communication difficulties, youth struggling with transitioning to independence and into the community, or any other barrier a family might have that interferes with school or the social well-being of the youth.

What can Service Coordination and Wraparound do for youth and families?

Based on the needs of the youth/family and with their input, an individualized service plan is prepared that includes collaboration of services, such as education, developmental disabilities, health, mental health, juvenile justice, and social services. This team, including family members and informal supports (such as extended family members, neighbors, friends) meets on a regular basis to prepare and implement an individualized service plan to ensure that the services are meeting the needs of the youth/family and any changes are being addressed. **Wraparound** is a more intense process where the team meets on a more frequent basis and a service plan is prepared and implemented to address more acute needs. The success of the process relies on the unique strengths and commitment of the family and community to problem-solve and help the youth/family realize their hopes for a better life. A family involved in wraparound typically is involved for an average of 12-18 months. A family involved in service coordination is involved for an average of 3-12 months.

How can I request services?

Complete Service Coordination/Wraparound Referral Packet (referral form signed by parent/guardian, social security number, cross-system risk screen tool, and signed release). Email the completed Referral Form to Peggy Grandbois, FCFC Coordinator at mfgrandbois@co.hancock.oh.us. Our wraparound facilitator, Janna Long, will contact the family to set up a meeting to provide them with additional information about the process, gather additional information about the family members and their goals with the program, administer a CANS (Child and Adolescent Needs and Strengths) Assessment and identify team members. This information is entered into a State-wide database (OASCIS). She will set up the first team meeting when a Plan of Care and specific goals are prepared. The Plan of Care and CANS Assessment are updated every 90 days and OASCIS is updated. The FCFC has funds available for families in Service Coordination/Wraparound to pay for camps, music therapy, transportation, YMCA memberships, respite, safety/adaptive equipment, etc.