## CASSP Participating Agencies

Franklin/Fulton Mental Health/Intellectual & Developmental Disabilities Program

Franklin County Children & Youth Service

Fulton County Services for Children

Franklin/Fulton County Drug and Alcohol Program

Franklin County Juvenile Probation
Department

Fulton County Juvenile Probation Department

Franklin County School Districts and Lincoln Intermediate Unit

> Fulton County School Districts and Tuscarora Intermediate Unit

Child-Serving Agencies and Providers in Franklin and Fulton Counties

PerformCare

Tuscarora Managed Care Alliance (TMCA)

Behavioral Health Care Services Providers

Service Access & Management (SAM)



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Child and Adolescent Service Systems Program



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#### What is CASSP?

The Child and Adolescent Service System Program (CASSP) in Franklin-Fulton County is the coordination and integration of the services from all child-serving systems for the benefit of the child and family. This will be done by coordinating the working relationship among private and public agencies, and integrating the services and funding for the common goal of improving child caring services.

### Underlying all Children's Mental Health Services are:

#### The CASSP Principals

#### Child-Centered

Services meet the individual needs of the child, consider the child's and family's context, and are developmentally appropriate, strength-based and child-specific.

#### **Family-Focused**

Services recognize that the family is the primary support system for the child and participates as a full partner in all stages in the decision-making process.

#### Community-Based

Whenever possible, services are delivered in the child's home community, drawing on formal and informal resources to promote the child's successful participation in the community.

#### Multi-System

Services are planned in collaboration with the child serving systems involved in child's life.

#### **Culturally competent**

Culture determines our worldview and provides a general design for living and patterns for interpreting reality that are reflected in our behavior. Therefore, services that are culturally competent are provided by individuals who have the skills to recognize and respect the behavior, ideas, attitudes, values, beliefs, customs, language, rituals, ceremonies and practices characteristic of a particular group of people.

#### Least restrictive/least intrusive

Services take place in settings that are the most appropriate and natural for the child and family and are the least restrictive and intrusive available to meet the needs of the child and family.

#### What is the CASSP Team?

The CASSP team consists of representatives from the various child serving systems who may have resources that could be of assistance to the child and family. The team, along with the family and the child (if over 14 years of age), will develop a plan to meet the needs of the child/adolescent with challenging behaviors and unique needs. Each Team is specifically designed to address the needs of the individual family in their home county.

#### What happens at a CASSP Meeting?

The CASSP Coordinator presents the child's situation to the team. The family and youth are given the opportunity to discuss their concerns, needs and expectations of the CASSP Team meeting. The team will discuss the needs and make recommendations for the child and family. A service plan is developed. Review meetings track follow through with the plan developed and monitor the progress of the child and family.

#### What are the eligibility criteria?

To be eligible for services, the following criteria will apply:

CASSP serves youth 18 years of age or younger and youth up to the age of 21 for those still receiving education at the secondary level and are experiencing emotional difficulties.

The child/adolescent is experiencing difficulty functioning in multiple areas and is in need of services and supports to improve their functioning.

The child/adolescent may be involved with, or need to be involved with, more than one child serving system and is at risk of out of home placement.

The family, and the youth if 14 years of age or older, must agree to participate in the meeting.