

Key Components of QRTPs



CARF Alignment with Key Components

Family Involvement

For an organization to achieve quality services, the philosophical foundation of child- and family-centered care practices must be demonstrated.

Children/youth and families are involved in the design, implementation, delivery, and ongoing evaluation of applicable services offered by the organization.

A commitment to quality and the involvement of the persons served span the entire time that they are involved with the organization.

Assessment & Assessor Requirements

The program continuously conducts assessments or obtains assessment information:

- That provides the basis for legally required notification.
- Using valid and reliable assessment tools.

Assessments are conducted by qualified personnel who are:

- Knowledgeable to assess the specific needs of the child/youth served.
- Trained in the use of applicable tools, tests, or instruments prior to administration.

Time Limitations

The program provides treatment services to children/youth for whom there are documented reports of maltreatment, abandonment, absence without leave, or other identified needs, or treatment services to children/youth with identified behavioral needs.

Services are provided in a safe and supportive setting and are time limited. The program goal is to reunite the child/youth with the natural family or other permanent placement when in the best interest of the child/youth. In all situations, integration into the community to the greatest degree possible is achieved.

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Staffing

The organization documents the composition of its workforce, including all human resources involved in the delivery, oversight, and support of the programs/ services seeking accreditation.

Services are provided by a coordinated team that includes, at a minimum, the following professionals:

- Assigned residential staff members or a plan coordinator.
- A qualified practitioner.
- Providers of appropriate healthcare support services.

The services of each child/youth served are supervised by a qualified practitioner who:

- Provides clinical oversight.
- Directs the individualized plan of care.

Trauma Informed Care

The guiding principles include:

- Child/youth and family driven services.
- Promotion of resiliency.
- Cultural and linguistic competence.
- Strengths-based approach.
- Focus on whole person in context of family and community.
- Trauma-informed service model.

The organization provides or arranges for documented, competency-based training to direct service personnel on trauma-informed practices.

Aftercare

The program facilitates the transition process, including arrangements for follow-up services and provides information regarding transition criteria and procedures.

The individualized plan, is detailed and:

- Specifies the services to be provided by the program.
- Identifies any needs beyond the scope of the program.
- Specifies referrals for additional services.
- Includes the estimated duration of services.