

**I. STRUCTURED ACTIVITIES PROGRAMS**

Any non-residential program that provides a structured service plan of learning for the purpose of improving an individual's identified need(s) and with the purpose of improving the juveniles' (or parent's) skills or expanding their knowledge in a particular area, or enhancing academic performance.

**JCPC PROGRAM TYPES**

- **Mentoring** - Provides opportunities for adult volunteers to be matched with delinquent or at-risk youth on a one-on-one basis. The mentor is an individual providing support, friendship, advice, and/or assistance to the juvenile. After recruitment, screening and training, the mentor spends time with the juvenile on a regular basis engaged in activities such as sports, movies, helping with homework, etc. (Length of Stay= Minimum 1 year, Frequency of Contact= should average 2 hours per week)
- **Parent/Family Skill Building** - A type of treatment technique that focuses on psychological or interpersonal issues faced by a parent(s) of a juvenile. This service provides parenting skills development, including communication and discipline techniques. May include sessions for parents only and/or sessions for parents and their child(ren). (Length of Stay= Minimum 12 weeks unless implementing a model program & following model specifications, Frequency of Contact= no less than 2 hours weekly)
- **Interpersonal Skill Building** - A treatment technique focusing on developing the social skills required for an individual to interact in a positive way with others. The basic skill model begins with an individual's goals, progresses to how these goals should be translated into appropriate and effective social behaviors, and concludes with the impact of the behavior on the social environment. Typical training techniques are instruction, modeling of behavior, practice and rehearsal, feedback, reinforcement. May also include training in a set of techniques, such as conflict resolution or decision making, that focus on how to effectively deal with specific types of problems or issues that an individual may confront in interacting with others. (Length of Stay= Minimum 12 weeks unless implementing a model program & following model specifications, Frequency of Contact= no less than 2 hours weekly)
- **Experiential Skill Building** - Services that provide opportunities to juveniles using activities to develop skills. The activities may be highly related to the acquisition of the skill (i.e. Independent living skills training taught by having juveniles practice life skills such as laundry, washing dishes, balancing a checkbook) or may include adventure activities (such as rock climbing, rafting, backpacking, etc.) aimed at increasing self-esteem and building interpersonal skills to promote more appropriate behavior. (Length of Stay= Minimum 12 weeks unless implementing a model program & following model specifications, Frequency of Contact= no less than 2 hours weekly)
- **Tutoring/Academic Enhancement** - Services intended to supplement full time academic program by providing assistance with understanding and completing schoolwork and/or classes. May also provide trips designed to be an enrichment of or supplemental experience beyond the basic educational curriculum. (Length of Stay= Minimum of 20 weeks, Frequency of Contact= No less than 2 hrs/week.)
- **Vocational Development** - The overall emphasis focuses on preparing the juvenile to enter the work force by providing actual employment, job placement, non-paid work service (non-restitution based), job training or career counseling. These programs provide training to juveniles in a specific vocation, career exploration or career counseling, and/or job readiness. (Length of Stay= Minimum 12 weeks unless implementing a model program & following model specifications, Frequency of Contact= no less than 2 hours weekly)

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## II. RESTORATIVE PROGRAMS

Programs that offer immediate and short-term involvement with juveniles to focus on negative and/or offending behaviors with the aim of resolution of the presenting problem and extinction of behavior.

### JCPC PROGRAM TYPES

- **Restitution/Community Service-Restitution** - Programs that provide opportunities for offender to be accountable for their actions to the community and/or victim(s) through forms of payments or community service work that earns money to repay the victim(s). **Community Service** - A court-ordered dispositional alternative for a delinquent juvenile, consistent with the requirements of G.S. 7A-649, and entailing, on the juvenile's part, for purposes of this definition either community service to redress an injury to any person or entity that has suffered loss or damage as a result of the offense committed by the juvenile. Services should be provided for diverted and/or adjudicated youth. (Length of Stay: Diverted youth and Teen Court referrals= no more than 6 months, Court supervision= one year unless otherwise ordered; Frequency of Contact= minimum twice per month and no less than 8 hours per month)
- **Mediation/Conflict Resolution** - Programs offering a private process of negotiation conducted by a neutral, third party person, a Mediator. These programs offer immediate and short-term involvement with youth to focus on negative and/or offending behaviors. Mediation is a consensual decision-making process by parties who work towards a mutual understanding to resolve a problem or a dispute. Mediators do no counsel or give advice but facilitate communication among parties as the parties work to reach their own decision regarding resolution of their conflict. Services should be provided for diverted and/or adjudicated youth and may include victim/offender reconciliation. (Length of Stay= No longer than 90 days, Frequency of Contact= Based upon the requirements of the program)
- **Teen Court** - Provides a diversion from juvenile court where trained adult and youth volunteers act as officials of the court to hear complaints. These programs make recommendations for appropriate sanctions including but not limited to community service and restitution (if applicable) to be assigned to the youth who have admitted committing minor delinquency and undisciplined complaints. Professional adult staff provides supervision of the court proceedings and any subsequent community service and/or restitution. (Length of Stay= Not to exceed 120 days, however 60 additional days may be approved to complete sanctions; Frequency of Contact= Not Specified)

## III. COMMUNITY DAY PROGRAMS

### JCPC PROGRAM TYPES

- **Juvenile Structured Day Programs** - Programs that offer well supervised and highly structured program of service to youth. Such service may enable youth to remain in the community. Clients may be long-term suspended from school or have behavior that might otherwise result in placement in detention. Typically, this type structure serves youth who are court involved and referrals are made from juvenile court counselors. Programs can either be full day or partial day (emphasis on service in the afternoon/after school hours). It is desirable for programs to have both treatment and educational components, such as, Individual and/or Family Counseling, Substance Abuse Education/Treatment, Restitution/Community Service, Tutoring, Alternative Education, Vocational Development and Structured Activities. (Length of Stay= Not to exceed one year without detailed documentation of need, Frequency of Contact=NA)

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#### IV. ASSESSMENT PROGRAMS

##### JCPC PROGRAM TYPES

- **Clinical Assessments or Psychological Evaluations** - Clinical Evaluations and Assessments, including Psychological Evaluations to help court counselors and judges recommend the most appropriate consequences and treatment for court involved youth. (Length of Stay= depends upon time needed to complete the assessment activity, Frequency of Contact=Not Specified)

#### V. CLINICAL TREATMENT PROGRAMS

Programs in which a professional helps a juvenile and/or his or her families solve problems through goal directed planning. It may include individual, group, family counseling or a combination. It may have a particular focus such as sex offender treatment or substance abuse treatment. Services may be community or home based.

##### JCPC PROGRAM TYPES

- **Counseling** - A treatment technique based on one-on-one (individual) or group meetings with a therapist or counselor focusing on individual psychological and/or interpersonal problems. May include cognitive skills/life skills. Category includes family, individual, and group counseling. (Length of Stay=Not Specified, Frequency of Contact= no less than every two weeks)
  - **Individual Counseling**
  - **Group Counseling**
  - **Family Counseling**
- **Home Based Family Counseling** - Provides short term, intensive services focusing on family interactions/dynamics and their link to delinquent behavior. Involves the entire family and is typically conducted in the home. May also include the availability of a trained individual to respond by phone or in person to crisis. The goal is to prevent delinquent and undisciplined behavior by enhancing family functioning and self-sufficiency. (Length of Stay=six weeks to nine months, Frequency of Contact= at least three hours weekly)
- **Substance Abuse Treatment** - In/Out-patient therapeutic services provided to juvenile offenders targeting substance abuse issues, including chemical dependency, alcoholism, and habitual or experimental use of other controlled substances. Personnel providing treatment must be licensed or certified to provide these services. (Assumed to be the same as Counseling Services: Length of Stay=Not Specified, Frequency of Contact= no less than every two weeks)
- **Sexual Offender Treatment** - Provides outpatient assessment and/or therapeutic services to juvenile offenders targeting inappropriate sexual conduct and offending behavior with clear focus on rehabilitation and accountability of the offender. Practiced primarily in groups, has a family focus, has designated follow-up procedures and is generally legally mandated. (Length of Stay=1 ½ to 2 years, Frequency of Contact= weekly with declining frequency as the course of treatment concludes)

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**VI. RESIDENTIAL PROGRAMS**-Programs where services are delivered in a residential setting.**JCPC PROGRAM TYPES**

- **Group Home Care** - Provides twenty-four hour care for a residential placement lasting six to eight months in a therapeutic or structured family-like environment for youth. Includes intervention with client's family during and after placement and target a reduction in offending behavior and recidivism. (Length of Stay= 90+ days, Frequency of Contact=NA)
- **Temporary Shelter Care** - Provides group home care and shelter (up to 90 days) for juveniles who need to be temporary removed from their homes during a family crisis. (Length of Stay= up to 90 days, Frequency of Contact=NA)
- **Runaway Shelter Care** - Provides shelter care for juveniles who have run away from home, are homeless or otherwise need short term care (15 days or less) while arrangements are made for their return home. (Length of Stay= up to 15 days, Frequency of Contact=NA)
- **Specialized Foster Care** - Provides care for youth with serious behavioral or emotional problems through foster parents whose special training is designed to help them understand and provide needed support for children who are placed in their care. (Length of Stay= flexible, Frequency of Contact=NA)
- **Temporary Foster Care** - Provides short-term (up to 60 days) emergency foster care for diverted or adjudicated juveniles who need to be temporary removed from their home during a family crisis. Foster parents have been specially trained to understand and support the youth placed in their care. (Length of Stay= up to 60 days, Frequency of Contact=NA)

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