



WRAPAROUND GLOSSARY

Action Steps: Statements in a wraparound plan that describe specific activities that will be undertaken, including who will do them and within what time frame.

Community Connections/Community Based: Services and supports strategies that take place in the most inclusive, most responsive, most accessible, and least restrictive settings possible; and that safely promote child and family integration into home and community life.

Cultural Awareness: A set of congruent behaviors, attitudes, and policies that come together in a system, agency, or among providers, that enables that system, agency or those providers to work effectively in cross-cultural situations with awareness of and respect for the diverse experiences, beliefs, customs, preferences and beliefs of individuals their families and their community.

Facilitator: A person who is trained to coordinate the wraparound process for an individual family. This person may also be called Care Coordinator, Navigator, Wraparound Specialist, Resource Facilitator or some other term. The person in the facilitator role may change over time, depending on what the family thinks is working best. For example, a parent, caregiver, or other team member may take over facilitating team meetings after a period of time.

Family Voice and Choice: Family and youth/child perspectives are intentionally elicited and prioritized during all phases of the wraparound process. Planning is grounded in family members' perspectives, and the team strives to provide options and choices such that the plan reflects family values and preferences.

Formal supports: Services and supports provided by professionals (or other individuals who are "paid to care") under a structure of requirements for which there is oversight by state or federal agencies, national professional associations, or the general public arena.

Individualized Plan: A customized set of strategies, supports, and services.

Life domains: Areas of daily activity critical to healthy growth and development of a child or successful functioning of a family. Life domains include such areas as safety, school/work, health, social/fun, a place to live, legal issues, culture, behaviors, emotions, transportation, and finances.

Mission Statement: A statement crafted by the wraparound team that provides a one to two sentence summary of what the team is working toward with the youth and family.

Natural/Informal Supports: Individuals or organizations in the family's own community, kinship, social, or spiritual networks, such as friends, extended family members, ministers, neighbors, and so forth.

Outcomes: Child, family, or team goals stated in a way that can be observed & measured.

Outcome Based: The team ties the goals and strategies of the Wraparound plan to observable or measurable indicators of success, monitors progress in terms of these indicators, and revises the plan accordingly.

Plan of care or Wraparound plan: A dynamic document that describes the family, the team, and the work to be undertaken to meet the family's needs and achieve the family's long-term vision.

Persistence: Despite challenges, the team persists in working toward the goals included in the Wraparound plan until the team reaches agreement that a formal Wraparound process is no longer required.

Recidivism: A subsequent criminal adjudication/conviction while on probation supervision.

Safety Plan: A plan co-developed with the child, family, and network. Includes detailed actions made in response to specifically identified dangers. The safety plan document contains concrete and sustainable steps enhancing daily, on-the-ground safety for children. Safety planning involves the documentation of the plan as well as communicating the plan to all included in it.

Strengths: The assets, skills, capacities, actions, talents, potential and gifts in each family member, each team member, the family as a whole, and the community. In wraparound, strengths help family members and others to successfully navigate life situations; thus, a goal for the wraparound process is to promote these strengths and to use them to accomplish the goals in the team's plan of care.

Strength Based: The process and plan identify, build on, and enhance the capabilities, knowledge, skills, and assets of the child and family, their community, and other team members.

Team: A group of people – chosen with the family and connected to them through natural, community, and formal support relationships – who develop and implement the family's plan, address unmet needs, and work toward the family's vision.

Team Based: The Wraparound team consists of individuals agreed upon by the family and committed to them through informal, formal, and community support and service relationships.

Vision: A statement constructed by the youth and family (with help from their facilitator and possibly the wraparound team) that describes how they wish things to be in the future, individually and as a family.

Wraparound: Wraparound is an intensive, holistic method of engaging with individuals with complex needs (most typically children, youth, and their families) so that they can live in their homes and communities and realize their hopes and dreams.

Wraparound Principles: Ten principles of the Wraparound Process, Family voice and choice; team based; natural supports, collaboration, community based, culturally aware, individualized, strength based, unconditional, and outcome based.

Sources:

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National Wraparound Initiative: The Wraparound Process User's Guide

National Wraparound Initiative: The Resource Guide to Wraparound