

SAFE Family Recovery: Recovery Engagement Services (RES)

Program Overview

Recovery Engagement Services (RES) uses structured motivational conversations and, if needed, screenings to identify substance use problems, provide brief advice or interventions, help families create Recovery Support Plans, and offer referrals to licensed substance use treatment programs and/or recovery supports. RES is delivered in client homes, DCF offices, or other appropriate community locations where confidentiality can be maintained. RES staff rely on motivational interviewing, and also may conduct screenings to better understand substance use. These screenings may include a breathalyzer; urine toxicology; and/or a brief screening questionnaire. At the end of RES, the client and DCF Social Worker receive a written report summarizing RES services and referrals.

Target Population

Adult caregivers ages 18 and older who: 1) are connected to DCF; 2) have at least one indicator of substance use, and 3) where it is unclear if substance use treatment could be beneficial.

Length of Service

Providers schedule and complete an initial joint RES appointment with the DCF Social Worker within two business days of receiving the referral. RES may stay involved with the family for up to 45 days to ensure connections to care are made.

Program Coverage and Providers

SAFE-FR RES is available statewide through six geographically dispersed teams. Each team covers a larger region of surrounding towns. Choose the team closest to your location.

Geographic Region	Agency Contact
Bridgeport, Norwalk	Wheeler Clinic Contact: 860-793-7263
New Haven, Milford	CommuniCare Contact: 475-239-2479
Middletown, Norwich, Willimantic	Community Health Resources Contact: 860-510-8568
Hartford, Manchester	Wheeler Clinic Contact: 860-256-1172
Waterbury, Danbury, Torrington	Advanced Behavioral Health Contact: 860-463-5752
Meriden, New Britain	Wheeler Clinic Contact: 860-681-1692

Referrals

DCF Social Workers will submit a referral form and release of information to the DCF Gatekeeper. Other referral sources will submit a referral form and release of information directly to the provider.

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