

**PARENTING SUPPORT AND PARENTAL RIGHTS PROGRAM**

A. The Contractor shall provide services to maximize opportunities for parents with psychiatric disabilities to protect their parental rights, establish and/or maintain custody of their children, and sustain recovery. Such services shall include at a minimum, but not be limited to, early intervention assessments, support services, mentoring, preparation of temporary guardianship forms, and legal assistance.

B. Specifically, the Contractor shall provide:

1. Individualized, home-based services to educate parents with psychiatric disabilities on their parental rights, to identify parenting supports that may be helpful, and to promote the utilization of temporary guardianships;
2. A resource inventory/directory that will describe organizations and programs providing the full spectrum of parenting supports and parental rights services accessible to parents with psychiatric disabilities;
3. Assistance to parents with psychiatric disabilities in preparing temporary guardianship plans which designate individuals who would serve as temporary guardians for their children;
4. Appropriate intake and assessment tools on parenting social supports and parental strengths for parents with psychiatric disabilities; and
5. A “Peer Support and Mentoring Group” to provide mentors for parents with psychiatric disabilities and help parents to identify stressors that might interfere with parenting.

C. The Contractor shall implement the programs and services described herein to result in the following outcomes on behalf of individuals served. Such outcomes shall be measured in the manner described herein. Outcome results achieved pursuant to these terms and conditions will be monitored by the Department in observations through site visits and/or in any other required reports. The Department’s outcome indicators for the Contractor’s funded services are as follows:

Performance Outcome Measures

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OUTCOMES	MEASURES
1. The Contractor provides education, training and support to facilitate identification of parental rights and obtain parenting skills.	30 parents will receive education, training and support in identifying their parental rights and obtaining parenting skills.
2. The Contractor assists in the development of temporary guardianship forms.	75% of program participants will be assisted in developing temporary guardianship forms.