

## Participating Agencies

Potter County Mental Health

Potter County Intellectual  
Disabilities/Early Intervention

Potter County Children and Youth  
Services

Potter County Juvenile Probation

Community Care Behavioral Health

Dickinson Center Incorporated

Behavioral Health Providers

School Based Intensive Care  
Managers

Intermediate Unit #9

Parental Representation



## FAMILY DRIVEN STANDARD

Family-driven means that families have a primary decision making role in the care of their own children as well as in the policies and procedures governing the care for all children in their counties, in their communities, and in the state.

Systems will work in partnership with families so that the System of Care value of “family driven” can be realized even within the context of delinquency and/or dependency proceedings. This includes:

1. Choosing culturally and linguistically competent, supports, services and providers
2. Setting goals
3. Designing, implementing and evaluating programs
4. Monitoring outcomes
5. Partnering in funding decisions
6. Determining the effectiveness of all efforts to promote the mental & behavioral health of youth & families.

## Potter County Human Services

# CASSP

## Child & Adolescent Service System Program

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A service of Potter County Mental Health , the Child and Adolescent Service System Program (CASSP ) is a integrated approach to service and delivery planning for children and adolescents who are experiencing significant difficulties in physical, cognitive, emotional, behavioral or social areas of development.

The expertise and decision-making authority of the agency representatives is brought together in CASSP making it possible, in one meeting, to bring the full range of services to bear upon the challenge, thus increasing communications and support for the child/youth and their family.

The CASSP team reviews cases referred, makes recommendations for services and develops a service plan for the client and his/her family.

This consistently unified approach to children's services will improve the effectiveness of all child-serving agencies and may result in new program development as service needs are identified and defined.

# Questions & Answers about CASSP

**Q. What is CASSP?**

**A.** CASSP is an acronym for Child and Adolescent Service System Program. CASSP is designed to bring together professionals from all of the child-serving agencies in and around Potter County in a consistent and unified approach to treatment planning and service delivery to children who are experiencing difficulty in any of several developmental areas.

**Q. Who is eligible for CASSP Services?**

**A.** Any child who is 18 or younger (21 if involved in special education ) and is 1) experiencing significant diminished functioning, physical, cognitive, emotional, behavioral, or social areas; 2) receiving services form two or more child-serving agencies; or 3) is at risk for out-of-home placement.

**Q. What is the cost of CASSP services?**

**A.** There is no charge for CASSP Team services. There may be some cost involved for services recommended by the CASSP team. This will be determined a the point of service delivery by a financial liability determination.

**Q. Are parents & family of the client involved?**

**A.** The parents or guardian of the client are encouraged to participate in the CASSP Team review and planning. The intent of CASSP is to build upon the family's strengths as well as provide services to meet the areas of need. The family is encouraged to invite anyone they wish for support and to be part of the team.

**Q. What happens at the CASSP Team review?**

**A.** The case manager from the referring agency presents the case to the team and any other involved agencies update their service involvement. The team discusses the areas of need and what available services can best meet those needs. A service plan, including assignment of a lead agency , is then developed and the client or family is given names and telephone numbers to contact to arrange for services.

**Q. Is there any follow-up to CASSP reviews**

**A.** Yes. At the time of the initial review, a follow-up review may be scheduled. If a client, family or any agency feels there is sufficient reason to do so, a follow-up can be scheduled at any time.