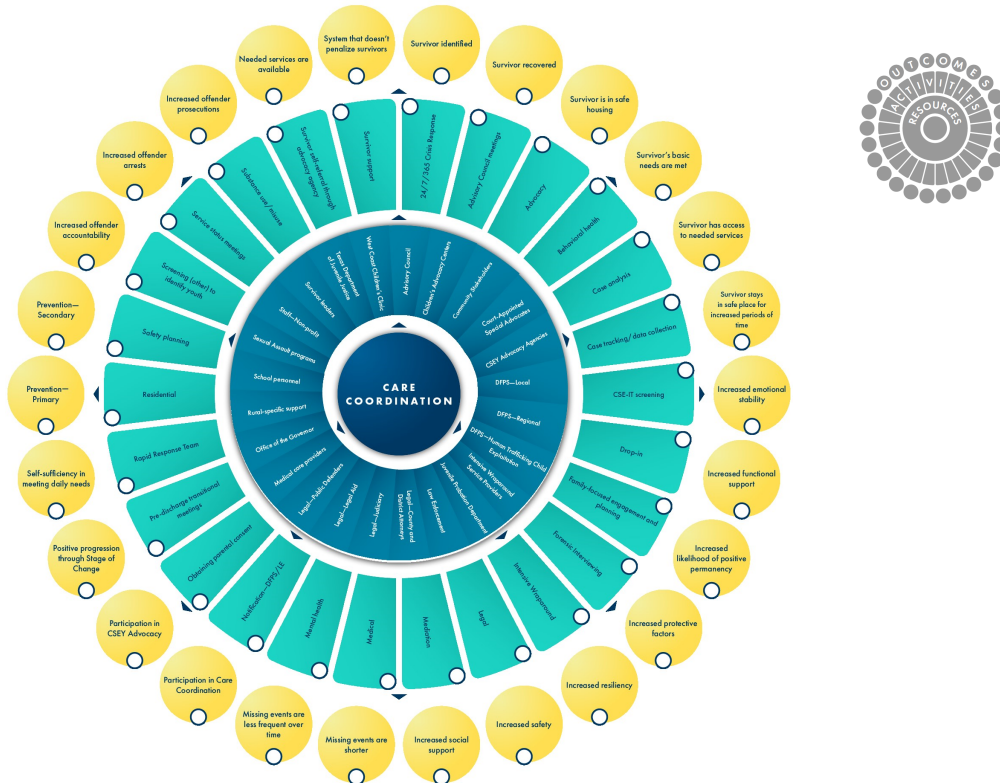


CARE COORDINATION

for CSEY in TEXAS

Texas Care Coordination for Commercially Sexually Exploited Youth (CSEY) promotes sustainable autonomy, healing, justice, and stability for youth ages 0–18¹ who have experienced, or are at risk for experiencing, commercial sexual exploitation.² Care coordination employs awareness, education, creativity, collaboration, and capacity-building to protect, identify, and recover CSEY, and to facilitate tailored, accessible, trauma-informed and holistic resources through a coordinated network of providers. Care coordination teams build trust, transparency and solutions with each other to mitigate duplication of work, and so that local and statewide partners are bridges instead of barriers to services for children, youth and families.³



Goal

Every youth experiencing or at risk of experiencing sex trafficking and exploitation has access to non-punitive, responsive, high-quality community-based services that meet their unique short-term and longer-term needs.

Theory

Care coordination creates a path to healing, justice, and restoration for CSEY by increasing access to non-punitive, responsive, high-quality community-based services.

Beliefs

Strong partnerships nurtured locally and at the statewide level advance the quality and availability of services. Services are necessary in major metro, mid-sized, rural and remote communities. Services should be provided in the least restrictive setting possible. Youth have the right to services, whether they are participating in an investigation or prosecution of the trafficker or not. Trafficking happens in all Texas communities.

- Counties may decide to serve victims up through the age of 21, if the victim/survivor entered services under the age of 18.
- While the Care Coordination model was developed for victims/survivors experiencing commercial sexual exploitation, the potential application in other populations, including victims/survivors experiencing labor trafficking, or those experiencing both victimizations, is noted.
- Non-offending caregivers and siblings.

Resources

Advisory Council
Children's Advocacy Centers
Community Stakeholders
Court-Appointed Special Advocates
CSEY Advocacy agencies
DFPS—Local
DFPS—Regional
DFPS—Human Trafficking Child Exploitation
Intensive Wraparound Service Providers
Juvenile Probation Department
Law Enforcement
Legal—County and District Attorneys
Legal—Judiciary
Legal—Legal Aid
Legal—Public Defenders
Medical care providers
Office of the Governor
Rural-specific support
School personnel
Sexual Assault programs
Staff—Non-profit
Survivor leaders
Texas Department of Juvenile Justice
West Coast Children's Clinic

Activities

24/7/365 Crisis Response
Advisory Council meetings
Advocacy
Behavioral health
Case analysis
Case tracking/data collection
CSE-IT screening
Drop-in
Family-focused engagement and planning
Forensic Interviewing
Intensive Wraparound
Legal
Mediation
Medical
Mental health
Notification—DFPS/LE
Obtaining parental consent
Pre-discharge transitional meetings
Rapid Response Team
Residential
Safety planning
Screening (other) to identify youth
Service status meetings
Substance use/misuse
Victim/survivor self-referral through advocacy agency
Victim/survivor support

Outcomes

Victim/survivor identified
Victim/survivor recovered
Victim/survivor is in safe housing
Victim/survivor's basic needs are met
Victim/survivor has access to needed services
Victim/survivor stays in safe place for increased periods of time
Increased emotional stability
Increased functional support
Increased likelihood of positive permanency
Increased protective factors
Increased resiliency
Increased safety
Increased social support
Missing events are shorter
Missing events are less frequent over time
Participation in Care Coordination
Participation in CSEY Advocacy
Positive progression through Stage of Change
Self-sufficiency in meeting daily needs
Prevention—Primary
Prevention—Secondary
Increased offender accountability
Increased arrests
Increased prosecutions
Needed services are available
System that doesn't penalize victims/survivors