

WHO'S ON MY TEAM?

While in Early Childhood Court you will work with different providers and agencies. Some of the people you will need to know are listed below.

ECC Coordinator: _____

Phone #: _____

Case Worker: _____

Phone #: _____

Attorney: _____

Phone #: _____

Guardian Ad Litem Program (CAM): _____

Phone #: _____

Care Coordinator: _____

Phone #: _____

Clinician: _____

Phone #: _____

Targeted Case Manager: _____

Phone #: _____

What is Child Parent Psychotherapy (CPP)?

- ❖ Child Parent Psychotherapy is a relationship based treatment for parents and young children
- ❖ The central goal of CPP is to support and strengthen the parent-child relationship
- ❖ CPP helps the parent and the child feel safe with each other
- ❖ In CPP sessions, the clinician helps the parents learn to understand their child's signals

What is a Guardian Ad Litem?

- ❖ A Guardian Ad Litem also known as a GAL is an individual assigned to your case to be an advocate for the needs of your child
- ❖ GALs visit children at daycare and at home as well as attend team meetings and court hearings



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WHAT IS EARLY CHILDHOOD COURT?

Early Childhood Court assists families in the dependency system with infants and toddlers (between the ages 0-5).

You and your child will be working closely with a team of individuals. The goal is to enhance the parent-child relationship during this difficult time and to focus on the completion of your case plan services so that permanency is achieved timely and safely.

Being involved in Early Childhood Court is a voluntary option for you. The Judge has to know that the parent(s) want to participate before being accepted. Your commitment is very important to your success.



Why do we work with infants and toddlers?

There are more babies in foster care than any other age group. We have learned that helping babies now will lead to healthier lives.

We believe that the specialized services you will receive from the Early Childhood Court will give you the opportunity for a lasting positive change for you and your family.

Your selection for the Early Childhood Court program means we believe that you can develop a strong, healthy nurturing, supportive, and safe relationship for your child!



HOW WE SERVE YOU!

Our team meets with you monthly to review your case. We connect you to services and share your accomplishments. We are here to help you with your progress. Your case will be presented to the Court every other month so the Judge can stay involved in your progress.

What does this mean for you?

- MORE VISITS WITH YOUR CHILD(REN)
- SPECIALIZED THERAPY WITH CLINICIAN AND CARE COORDINATOR
- REGULAR TEAM MEETINGS
- LINKAGE TO THE RIGHT SERVICES FOR YOU
- HELP DEVELOPING A RELATIONSHIP WITH YOUR CHILD(REN) THAT WILL PROMOTE HEALTHY DEVELOPMENT