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FAMILY INTERVENTION SPECIALISTS, INC.

MESSAGE FROM THE CLINICAL DIRECTOR

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

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DEAR COLLEAGUES:

I wanted to thank everyone for all of their hard work last month. We have had some very challenging cases in the last month and I want to commend everyone involved for their professionalism in handling them. I think we often lose track of the fact that often we are the only people advocating for many of our clients and because of our involvement we have given them a better shot at more

secure and enjoyable life.

Often we see ourselves as an adjunct to the Juvenile Justice System, solving be-

havior or family issues to prevent out of home placement of incarceration. But often we are the first group of people who are actually

interested in their lives and want to help with whatever problems they are experiencing..

I want everyone to understand and acknowledge how important you and your involvement in these cases. I also want to validate the fact that this type of work and delivery of services is extremely difficult and I appreciate your efforts very much.

MESSAGE FROM
DR. DAVID ANTHONY

APS AUDIT ISSUES

WE HAVE JUST COMPLETED OUR APS AUDIT AND THESE ARE THE REOCCURRING ISSUES THAT WE HAVE DEFICIENCY IN.

1. TIMELINESS OF PROGRESS NOTES. NOT TURNED IN WITHIN 48 HOURS.
2. TIMELINESS OF ASSESSMENTS. NOT TURNED IN WITHIN 7 DAYS.
3. TIMELINESS OF MICPS NOT COMPLETED WITHIN 7 DAYS.

WE EXCELLED IN:

1. SERVICES DELIVERED.
2. CLINICAL CONTENT OF PROGRESS NOTES.
3. COMPLIANCE OF TREATMENT TEAM GOALS.
4. EXCELLENT INTEGRATIVE SUMMARIES
5. GOOD MICPS, UPDATES & REGISTRATIONS.

TIMELINESS WAS THE PRIMARY PROBLEM WITH ALL CHARTS PULLED.

TREATMENT TEAM SCHEDULE

We would like to remind all Lead Therapists and Paraprofessionals that treatment team meetings will be held throughout the month. You are expected to attend the treatment team which has been assigned to you. Here is the schedule for the month of January:

**“Individual
commitment
to a group
effort— that
is what
makes a
team work, a
company
work, a
society work,
a civilization
work”**

Monday 2/04/2008 – Gwinnett Treatment Team @ 1pm. Buckhead @ 5pm.

Tuesday 2/05/2008 – Hiram Office @ 6pm & 7 pm. Floyd County treatment team @ 12pm.

Monday 2/11/2008 – Treatment Team @ the Hiram Office 11am, 6 & 7pm

Tuesday 2/12/2008 – Treatment Team @ the Fulton County Juvenile Court @ 3pm, 4pm & 6pm. Conyers @ 10am. Spalding/Clayton/Henry @ 7:30pm.

Monday 2/18/2008 – Gwinnett Treatment Team @ 1pm. Buckhead @ 5pm

Tuesday 2/19/2008 – Hiram Office @ 6pm & 7pm. Floyd County treatment team @ 12pm.

Monday 2/25/2008 – Treatment Team @ the Hiram Office 11am, 6 & 7

Tuesday 2/26/2008 - Treatment Team @ the Fulton County Juvenile Court @ 3pm, 4pm & 6pm. Conyers @ 10am. Spalding/Clayton/Henry at 7:30pm

Locations:

*Buckhead Library – 269 Buckhead Avenue NE, Atlanta, Ga 30305. (404) 814-3500

*Clayton/Henry County – 1882 Hardwood Court, Jonesboro, GA 30236. (404) 309-4806

*Conyers Office – 946 South Main Street, Suite 200, Conyers, Georgia 30012. (678) 887-6613

*Fulton County Juvenile Court (F.C.J.C) – At the Mental Health Suite. Court is open 8:30am to 5pm. 395 Pryor Street S.W. Atlanta, GA 30312. (404) 224-4401

*Floyd County Library – 205 Riverside Parkway, Rome, GA 30161. (706) 236-4600.

*Gwinnett Library – 2780 Five Forks Trickum Road, Lawrenceville, GA 30044. (770)978-5600

*Hiram Office – 127 Enterprise Path, Suite 401. Hiram, GA 30141. (770) 222-6622

*Spalding County – 333 South 9th Street, Griffin, GA. (478) 731-1850.

WHO'S NEW @ FAMILY

F.I.S would like to officially welcome on board our new contractors hired in the month of December/January:

WE HAVE RECENTLY HIRED:

*Markkel Wright – Administration

*Janet Johnson – Nurse

*Doris Cotton – Lead Therapist
North & South Fulton

*Kevin Moses – Lead Therapist
North & South Fulton/Gwinnett

*LaShawn Maxwell – Lead Therapist
South Fulton/Douglas/Paulding

*Jennifer Adams – Lead Therapist
Rockdale/Newton



WELCOME ON BOARD

FEBRUARY 2008 BIRTHDAYS



The Following employees/contractors have their birthdays in January:

- Derris Mitchell (derris@bellsouth.net) – February 3rd
- Rocio Palomares (esme1979@yahoo.com) – February 4th
- Amy Benson (amy.benson@fisinc.org) – February 21st
- Burton Maugans (burton@maugans.com) – February 23rd
- Phillis Sanders (sandersphyll@aol.com) – February 23rd
- April Edwards (aprillatrece@yahoo.com) – February 24th

The staff at Family Intervention Specialists would like to wish them a **HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Psychiatric Appointments:

Our psychiatrist, Dr. Kanawati will be at the **Fulton County Juvenile Court** on Thursday February 7th.

She will be at the **Hiram Counseling Center** every **Wednesday, Thursday & Friday** of this month except the 7th.

*If you need to schedule an appointment please call Amy Anglin: Monday thru Friday (770)222-6622

Payroll Concerns:

All concerns and questions regarding payroll should be directed towards Zuzana Caslavka.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Please remember that Zuzana handles all APS accounts. If you lock yourself out she is your point of contact.

*If you need business cards please e-mail Amy Anglin @ amy.anglin@fisinc.org

*If you are in need of a Psychiatrist in your area please contact Jessie Hicks at the office and she will assist you.

770-222-6622 or jessie.hicks@fisinc.org and she will assist you.

*If you have any questions or concerns please contact Latrina Ingram

TRAININGS

*Play Therapy Training—February 23 @ 9:00am to 1:00pm Mercer University Atlanta Campus Please Call 404-298-0327 For More Information.

*The Art of Positive Discipline: Empowering Youth & Ourselves—February 8 @ 9:00am to 4:00pm Troy University, Tifton Campus Please Call 404-298-0327 For More Information

*What is DSM-IV Anyway? Translate diagnostic labels and categories into a format that makes sense for everyday living.—February 15 @ 9:00am to 1:00pm The Capital Education Building Please Call 404-298-0327 For More Information

“KNOWING IS
NOT ENOUGH;
WE MUST
APPLY.
WILLING IS
NOT ENOUGH;
WE MUST DO.”

- JOHANN
WOLFGANG
VON GOETHE





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F.I.S is a 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation registered in the State of Georgia. We provide Intensive Family Intervention (IFI) which is an intensive family- and community-based treatment that addresses multiple determinants of serious antisocial behavior in juvenile offenders.

The company was founded in 1998 by David Anthony. In 2003, Family Intervention Specialists, Inc. became approved provider for Georgia Health Partnership (Medicaid).

In June 2004, Family Intervention Specialists, Inc. became certified by Department of Human Resources, Compliance

S U P P O R T S T A F F

We have our staff to answer any questions or to support you as the need may arise. Whether you email us, call us or walk-In, we are here to answer your questions.

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