

## TREATMENT SERVICES

**Disrupted Discharge**

A disrupted discharge is defined as one that has a negative outcome in the month period following discharge from the Solnit Center or is deemed unsuccessful.

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**Purpose**

The process outlined herein is intended to provide a comprehensive analysis of the discharge efforts and strategies utilized; and to identify the elements in the plan, processes, system, or other factors that may have contributed to the failure of the discharge plan.

The information gathered from the analysis is intended to assist in developing strategies and recommendations for system improvement with the goal of permanency for youth served.

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**Procedure**

Any team member upon notification of information of a disrupted discharge will notify the Superintendent and Medical Director, or designees. The Superintendent or Medical Director shall determine the need for a Treatment Team review when indicated.

It will be the responsibility of the unit/cottage psychiatrist, Supervising Clinician or designee to convene a discharge Treatment Team review as directed by the Superintendent or Medical Director.

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**Team Membership**

The membership of the team will include all parties involved with the care and discharge planning for the youth including the Solnit Center Treatment Team, DCF workers and discharge placement representative, when applicable.

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**Review and Analysis**

In conducting the Treatment Team meeting, the team will :

- Define the problem
- Identify contributing / proximate causal factors contributing to failure:
  - treatment history / diagnosis
  - family history / support / resource availability
  - placement history
  - placement options / appropriateness of options
  - barriers / uncontrollable factors
- Determine contributing system issues, weak points in processes
- Develop recommendations for system process improvement to reduce likelihood of failures in the future
- Identify if coordination with youth's current placement is indicated (i.e.- for the purpose of sharing information, placement recommendations, etc)

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**Findings and  
Recommendations**

The team will provide a report of findings and recommendations to the Superintendent and Medical Director within 4 weeks of notification of the disrupted discharge.

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