

In School Drug & Alcohol Outpatient Treatment

- > Drug & alcohol treatment for adolescents up to grade 12
- > Comprehensive drug & alcohol assessments
- > Coordination with & referrals to Student Assistance Programs at Erie County schools
- > Comprehensive & individualized treatment plans
- > Random drug screens
- > Detox & inpatient substance use treatment program referrals
- > Mental health & family counseling referrals

Accepted forms of payment include most private insurance plans, medical assistance, self-payment, placement funding, and county funding.

Outpatient programs are only offered at approved schools.

SAP Intervention Group Topics

The following groups are facilitated by a drug & alcohol liaison. Suggestions for additional drug & alcohol group topics are welcome.

- > Alternative to Suspension
- > Transition Group
- > Rediscovering Yourself
- > Children of Alcoholics or Addicts
- > Specific Drug & Alcohol Groups

Questions?

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What is SAP?

The Student Assistance Program (SAP) is a team of trained professionals at each school that work together to identify and assist students who are facing difficulties that may interfere with their academic success.

Each SAP team is comprised of administrators, counselors, and teachers. In addition, each team includes a representative from a community mental health agency and a community drug and alcohol agency.

Pyramid Healthcare is contracted by the Erie County Drug and Alcohol Office to provide drug and alcohol liaisons for the Erie County School Districts.

What is the role of the Pyramid Healthcare drug & alcohol liaison on the SAP team?

The liaison attends SAP team meetings at each school.

If the SAP team believes that a student may be using drugs and/or alcohol or affected by someone using drugs and/or alcohol, the student should be referred to the drug & alcohol liaison.

After receiving the referral (including signed SAP parent permission), the drug & alcohol liaison will schedule an initial screening and then a full assessment if needed.

Based on the results of the screening or assessment, the liaison may recommend treatment through a local agency or may recommend that the student receive services from the drug & alcohol liaison at school.

Services received at school may include individual sessions or group sessions during the school day.

What is the Pyramid Healthcare drug & alcohol SAP process?

STEP 1

When the Pyramid Healthcare drug & alcohol liaison receives a referral from the SAP team, the liaison needs a copy of the signed parent permission form before the liaison can meet with a student.

STEP 2

After receiving the referral and parental permission, the liaison will perform an initial drug and alcohol screening. The initial screening takes approximately 30 minutes and can be conducted at the school. The parents and the SAP team will then be contacted regarding recommendations for the student.

STEP 3

Once the initial screening is complete, the liaison may recommend that a full drug and alcohol assessment be completed for the student. A full assessment takes approximately 1 hour and can be conducted at the school. The parents and the SAP team will then be contacted regarding recommendations for the student.

RECOMMENDATIONS

After the screening or the assessment is complete, the liaison will make a recommendation based on the information provided during the screening and/or assessment. These recommendations may include:

- > *Monitoring the student at the school through individual or group sessions with the drug & alcohol liaison*
- > *Outpatient treatment*
- > *Residential treatment*
- > *Referral to County Agencies such as prevention services, mental health, Perseus House, and other treatment providers*

What drug & alcohol outpatient treatment does Pyramid Healthcare provide for adolescents?

All programs include a group and an individual session, as well as a family component. All of the services are provided at the Pyramid Healthcare Erie Outpatient Office. Adolescent services are scheduled during or after school hours and Pyramid Healthcare can provide transportation if necessary.

In addition to outpatient services, Pyramid Healthcare also operates Ridgeview, a residential inpatient adolescent drug and alcohol program in Gibsonia, PA.

YOUTH AT RISK

One Saturday per month for 4 hours.
This program educates students about alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs. Program referrals are submitted by District Justices for adolescents who receive an underage drinking charge.

OUTPATIENT PROGRAM

One day per week for 2 hours on Tuesday from 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM.

INTENSIVE OUTPATIENT PROGRAM

Three days per week for 3 hours per session on Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM.

PARTIAL HOSPITALIZATION PROGRAM

Three days per week every Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 3:30 PM to 7:00 PM; two individual sessions per week.