

GPS Services

Georgia Psychological Services provides services designed especially for DFCS consumers. Our New Choices substance abuse treatment program targets female TANF recipients. Our MH/DD Supplemental Case Management program is aimed at consumers with mild to moderate barriers to employment due to developmental disabilities and mental health problems.



Referring to GPS

GPS employees make regular visits to county DFCS offices. Referrals can be made directly to them or to Amy Wallace, Community Liaison, at (706) 836-1640. They can also be faxed to (706) 210-8703 or emailed to referrals@gapsych.net.

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Warning
Signs
For
Mental Health
And
Substance Abuse
Issues

WARNING SIGNS

General Information

The best source of information about a consumer will come from the consumer herself. Don't hesitate to ask the obvious questions: "Do you have mental health problems?", "Have you ever been hospitalized or put on medication for mental health problems?", "How often do you use drugs or alcohol?", "Have you every been arrested for something related to drug or alcohol use?", or "Do you think you need mental health or substance abuse treatment?". Questions such as these may allow consumers to bring up issues they would not have otherwise discussed with you.

Red Flags for Possible Substance Abuse Issues

- ↳ Arrests for drug offenses or DUI
- ↳ Previous substance abuse treatment
- ↳ Unexplained job terminations
- ↳ Frequent missed appointments
- ↳ Apparent unwillingness to complete tasks or follow directions
- ↳ Lethargy, slurred speech
- ↳ Overly evasive or secretive
- ↳ Memory loss or blackouts
- ↳ Disorganized behavior

Red Flags for Possible Mental Health Issues

- ↳ History of psychiatric treatment
- ↳ Taking anti-depressant medication
- ↳ History of health problems
- ↳ History of trauma or loss
- ↳ Mood swings
- ↳ Admission of depression or anxiety
- ↳ Inability to take directions or interact appropriately with peers
- ↳ Unstable or high-risk relationships
- ↳ Social withdrawal or isolation