

THE CHRYSALIS CENTER

ANNUAL REPORT

July 1, 2005 - June 30, 2006

OUR MISSION

**Contributing to our community...
Creating hope...
Cultivating success in our clients.**

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To Our Friends and Families:

The Chrysalis Center thanks you for your participation in Chrysalis Center programs. As you are aware, The Chrysalis Center provides mental health and support services to children, adolescents, adults and families of Broward, Dade, and Palm Beach Counties, whom are experiencing an array of needs including those that are emotional, social, cognitive, behavioral, and psychiatric in nature.

The Chrysalis Center prides itself in providing the highest quality care and employing professionals with a variety of specialties to meet our client's needs. Our staff of over 200 mental health professionals has extensive experience in providing mental health services to clients in our community and currently serve over 3000 clients annually.

Moreover, The Chrysalis Center strives to develop and maintain private and public partnerships and to encourage continuity, collaboration, and community involvement in service provision.

This Annual Report is intended to provide you with information on our services and our performance during this past fiscal year, which ran from July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006. In the following pages, you will learn more about the services we provided, our source of revenue and some of the outcomes that we achieved. We are honored to participate in the provision of these services to our community. We thank you for being a part of it too.

Sincerely,
The Chrysalis Center

OUR VISION/PURPOSE

The Chrysalis Center's vision and purpose is to provide a full array of mental health and support services to children, adolescents and adults of South Florida, in response to needs identified by the communities we serve and in collaboration with various educational, health and social service systems involved with the client. Our aspiration is that the clients we serve attain hope for their futures and the skills necessary to be successful and fulfilled. Our internal efforts are focused on the provision of quality, reliable, and trustworthy programming that are on the cutting edge of the mental health field.

PHILOSOPHY

The Chrysalis Center understands that each client comes to us with their own unique personalities and issues. As such, we strive to provide services that are individualized, rather than attempting to fit a client into an existing program model. All services and clinical treatment are customized to the client's functioning and environment, from the time of intake through discharge.

Not only do clients have unique personalities and issues, they also have unique strengths and abilities, that when emphasized enable the client to better function in their environment. The Chrysalis Center focus on building these client strengths and abilities, since these strengths are the foundation to success living.

We believe that no client can progress without the success and support of their family and natural support system. As such, we encourage the family, whether the family be biological, adoptive, foster parents, siblings, grandparents or other relatives, as well as others involved in the client's natural support system, to participate as a as a full partner in all stages of treatment.

Whenever possible, services are delivered in the client's home, school or community, drawing on formal and informal resources to promote the client's successful participation in the community. Community resources include not only mental health professionals and provider agencies, but also social, religious, cultural organizations and other natural community support networks.

As culture determines our worldview and provides a general design for living and patterns for interpreting reality that are reflected in our behavior, the Chrysalis Center strives to provide culturally competent services that recognize and respect the behavior, ideas, attitudes, values, beliefs, customs, language, rituals, ceremonies, practices and characteristic of a particular group of people.

Further, The Chrysalis Center pursues collaboration with all the client-serving systems involved in the client's life, including educators, health care professionals, social service representatives, community organizations, spiritual leaders, and the legal system. Representatives from all these systems and the client/family collaborate to define the goals for the client, develop a service/treatment plan, develop the necessary resources to implement the plan, and to provide holistic services that meet all client/family needs in the least restrictive/least intrusive manner possible.

The Chrysalis Center's Programs and Services

The Chrysalis Center currently outpatient services, specialized therapeutic group care services, and shelter care, which are detailed more fully below.

OUTPATIENT SERVICES

In our Outpatient Services, children, adolescents and adults receive mental health services at their locations. Our outpatient program services clients in Dade, Broward, and Palm Beach Counties with mental health concerns. After thorough assessment and evaluation to determine treatment needs, individual and/or family therapy are provided at the client's location, which include the home, school and community. Comprehensive services also include psychiatric evaluation and treatment, crisis intervention, group therapy and treatment planning and review. Within Outpatient Services The Chrysalis Center has a more specialized programs outlined below:

STARRT Outpatient Program (Sexual Trauma and Risk Reduction Treatment)

STARRT Outpatient Program is similar to our outpatient service provision, but focuses only on treating clients with problematic sexual behavior. STARRT serves clients displaying a wide range of sexual behavior problems. The goal of the STARRT program is to stop the cycle of client abuse and sexual offenses. Emphasis is placed on increasing client awareness of their personal sexual behavior problems and patterns, teaching them ways of monitoring themselves effectively, and fostering the development and internalization of self-control. Responsible behavior and safety are promoted throughout the program.

Psychosexual, Psychological and Psychoeducational Evaluation Services

Psychological and psychoeducational evaluations are performed by our psychologists for a variety of reasons and are testing is customized for the particular reason the report is needed. Our psychosexual assessments are narrative evaluations designed to assess clients, adolescents and adults for sexual abuse, sexual reactivity, sexual acting out and sexual offender traits. All of our assessments include an in-depth and detailed view of the client's emotional, biological, psychological, social, behavioral and developmental functioning within the school, home or community. It includes direct observation of the client in the clinical setting. It is intended to evaluate, integrate and interpret all existing and new information in order to guide future care, intervention, placement and services. It includes both subjective and objective testing.

Adult Psychosocial Rehabilitation Program

Our adult psychosocial rehabilitation program is designed to assist our chronically mentally ill clients in rehabilitating their social and independent living skills. Clients participate in 2 groups a day and can attend our program 1-5 days a week, depending on their level of need. During the time at our program, clients learn skills necessary to reintegrate in the community and maintain their emotional stability.

MAT (Multi-Disciplinary Assessment Team)

MAT is a contracted weekly staffing of child-on-child sexual abuse cases to provide feedback and assistance to child protection investigators. Feedback is provided regarding both victims and offenders. Participating agencies include the Chrysalis Center, Broward Sheriff's Office (BSO), Department of Children and Families (DCF), ChildNet, Sexual Assault Treatment Center (SATC), the State's Attorneys Office (SAO), and the Guardian Ad Litem (GAL) Program. All agencies who participate in MAT provide recommendations for treatment and placement. Such recommendations are summarized in a written report and submitted to the Child Protective Investigator and ChildNet Child Advocate, who will implement the recommendations.

STARRT SPECIALIZED THERAPUETIC GROUP HOME

STARRT SPECIALIZED THERAPUETIC GROUP HOME PROGRAM is a specialized program designed to provide treatment to sexually aggressive boys ages 6 to 17 who require intensive sexual behavior specific treatment and who have offended against another and can no longer be maintained in the community. The goal of the STARRT program is to stop the cycle of child abuse. Emphasis is placed on increasing client awareness of their personal sexual behavior problems and patterns, teaching them ways of monitoring themselves effectively, and fostering the development and internalization of self-control. Responsible behavior and safety are promoted throughout the program. Comprehensive services include sexual behavior specific assessment and treatment, individual, family and group therapy, psychiatric evaluation and treatment, treatment planning and review and care management. Our team of therapists are highly trained and supervised in this unique area of treatment. STARRT offers services at Monarch House. Monarch house which has the capacity to house eight boys ages twelve through eighteen, is located at 721 SW 9th Street, Pompano Beach, FL 33060, 954-946-9085, fax 954-946-9954. STARRT Specialized Therapeutic Group Homes receive referrals from throughout the United States. Referral Sources include: ChildNet, The Department of Children and Families, Providers, and Families.

CRESCENT HOUSE

Crescent House Boy's Respite Program for Boys responds to the need for temporary care of boys in Broward County between the ages of 12 and 17 who have been removed from their home due to abuse and/or neglect. It also fills a void in the community for when male foster children are in need of a temporary place to stay because of a disruption or removal from their placement. Clients also include boys that are coming from juvenile justice settings that do not have a permanent placement to return to, and boys awaiting a permanent placement. At the Crescent House, clients receive a safe and nurturing environment, room and board, 24 hour awake supervision, appropriate nutrition, crisis intervention, life skills training, recreational, educational, social and cultural activities, and short-term case management to assist them with transitions in education, treatment, and placement needs. Crescent House is located at 1135 NW 7th Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33311, 954-762-3881, FAX 954-762-3888. Clients are referred to Crescent House through ChildNet.

CASSIUS HOUSE

Cassius Boy's Group Home Program responds to the need for long term care for adolescent boys between the ages of 12 and 17 who have been removed from their home due to abuse and/or neglect and who have failed in foster placement due to difficult behaviors and/or issues. Clients are referred to Cassius House through ChildNet. Residents at Cassius are provided with a nurturing and safe therapeutic environment, room and board, 24-hour awake supervision, appropriate nutrition, independent living skills training, and recreational, educational, social and cultural activities. In addition, clients of Cassius House receive individualized mental health services, based on their needs. Such services include individual, group and family counseling, psychiatric care, psychological evaluation, and social rehabilitation and counseling. This program is designed to promote self-sufficiency and personal responsibility, while helping in the development of effective, independent living skills. The program not only encourages and supports the building of daily living skills, but more importantly, facilitates and cultivates each boy's emotional development and maturity. Cassius House is located at 4781 S.W. 108 Avenue in Davie, Florida 954-689-0651, fax 954-689-0681

OUTCOMES FOR OUR PROGRAMS

During this past year, Chrysalis Center served approximately 3500 clients in all of our programs. Of those clients:

1. 99% of clients in our care were free from abuse and neglect while in care;
2. 90+% of clients expressed satisfaction with services offered by Chrysalis;
3. 95% of clients in shelter care received adequate services to meet their needs
4. 70% of clients in residential group care demonstrated an improvement in emotional and behavioral well-being;
5. 70% of clients in outpatient services improved their emotional and behavioral well-being;
6. 70% of clients in psychosocial rehabilitation services improved their emotional and behavioral well-being; and
7. 1 client grievance was reported.

DEMOGRAPHICS

Client Ages

< 1% of clients served were under 5 years old
30% of clients served were between the ages of 5-9 years
31% of clients served were between the ages of 10-14 years
28% of clients served were between the ages of 15-18 years
7% of clients served were between the ages of 18-21 years
3 of clients served were between the ages of 21-65 years
<1% of clients served were older than 65 years

Racial, Ethnic and Cultural Composition

| | Chrysalis Center Clients | Chrysalis Center Staff | Tri-County Residents |
|---|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| % of Females | 35% | 70% | 51.5% |
| % of Males | 65% | 30% | 48.5% |
| % White | 24.5% | 32% | 40.4% |
| % African American | 46% | 50% | 20.6% |
| % Hispanic | 18.5% | 16% | 36.7% |
| % Other | 11% | 2% | 2.3% |
| % Languages other than English | 16% | 11% | 23.1% |

Community data provided by the most current US Census Bureau records (2005 Census and 2000 Census-Language data only)

FUNDING

\$6,595,143 Medicaid
 \$2,308,652 ChildNet
 \$101,700 Department of Children and Families
 \$147,947 Other State of Florida Funding
 \$59,430 Children Services Administration Division, Broward County
 \$13,148 Private Fees
 \$9,226,019 Total Funding

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