

IOWA'S CHILD WELFARE SYSTEM OF CARE

Every child and family that you serve is unique. To best meet their individual needs requires breaking away from a one-size-fits-all approach, toward a **tailored approach that wraps services around the child and their family.**

GUIDING PRINCIPLE #7

Services will be tailored to families and children to meet their unique needs.

The **One Case Worker Model** serves as a cornerstone in both the CISR and RRTS procurements, requiring providers to assign each child and their family, as well as each Resource Family, a designated case worker to connect them with **coordinated personalized services.**

CRISIS INTERVENTION, STABILIZATION, & REUNIFICATION (CISR)

Child Welfare Emergency Services



INDIVIDUAL

Services will be **individually responsive** to each child and their family's needs in both their home and their community.

Group Care Services



Programs and services will be designed to **suit individual needs of children in placement** to include educational, recreational, medical, social, rehabilitation, and any transitional needs related to returning back to their home and their community.

Supervised Apartment Living

An **individualized transition plan** will be developed for each child.



Guidance and support will be provided for a child to **develop life skills** related to household management, budgeting, job searching, job interviewing, and the attainment of important personal documents.

RECRUITMENT, RETENTION, TRAINING, & SUPPORT (RRTS)

Recruitment & Retention of Resources Families

Children placed into family foster care will be **matched** with a Resource Family that has the skills, training, and **ability to meet the children's specific needs.**



Enhanced Foster Family Homes cater to children who come from Psychiatric Medical Institutions for Children (PMICs), Foster Group Care Services, or long-term Child Welfare Emergency Services shelters.

Training & Support of Foster Parents

An **individualized training plan** will be developed with each Resource Family based on the skills, behaviors, strengths, needs, and ages of children placed in the home.

Training will be offered at sufficient frequency so families are able to **begin training within 60 days of completing orientation** at a location within 60 miles of the family's home.

