

Community Support Program

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What is CSP?

Because severe and persistent mental illness affects all aspects of an individual's life, effective treatment must address not only the management and reduction of symptoms, but also the individual's full range of unique personal, social, and economic needs.

Services to CSP clients are provided almost exclusively in the community, with the goal of assisting each client in gaining and/or maintaining increased independence in the community.

This philosophy and mode of treatment has been very successful in helping clients achieving a better quality of life, and reducing the need for repeated hospitalization or prolonged periods of institutionalized care.



Services Provided

Each individual entering the Community Support Program is assigned a case manager who develops a treatment plan with the individual, provides support and outreach, and assists in coordinating other services. Services provided within the CSP include:

- Psychiatric Services
- Medication prescription, administration, monitoring, and education
- Case Management
- Symptom Management
- Crisis Intervention
- Individual/family counseling and therapy services
- Assistance in locating, obtaining, and maintaining stable housing
- Assistance in continuing or completing educational and/or vocational goals
- Assistance in learning and accomplishing skills needed to function independently, such as food preparation, grooming and hygiene, housekeeping, and shopping
- Assistance in applying for appropriate benefits
- Representative payee-ship, and assistance in learning to manage one's own finances independently
- Assistance in accessing medical, dental, and legal services
- Coordination of transportation services
- Social and recreational skill development
- Coordination of referrals to other service providers



A consumer must meet all of the following five criteria for admission to CSP:

1. **Diagnosis of Severe and Persistent Mental Illness** - including, but not limited to schizophrenia, bipolar disorder, schizoaffective disorder, or severe post-traumatic stress disorder. Substance abuse or personality disorders must not be primary problem.
2. **Severe Functional Impairment** - such that the person is currently incapable of successful and stable self-maintenance in a community living situation without intensive support.
3. **Inadequately Served** - by conventional clinic-based treatment or day treatment.
4. **High Hospital Use** - evidenced by over thirty days of psychiatric hospital care during the previous year or three or more episodes of psychiatric hospitalization during the previous year.
5. **Clinically Appropriate for CSP Approach**—patients more appropriately served inpatient should remain inpatient.