



Behavioral Support Services

Behavioral Support Services (BSS) provides behavioral consultations and training to families and organizations that serve people with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD) who are experiencing behavioral issues.

The program can provide a cost-effective, person-centered approach to address disruptive behaviors that will help people in their current home, occupational or academic settings. Our goals are to improve the quality of life for those who are either in crisis or at risk of being in crisis, and to act as an early intervention/prevention service.



Behavioral Support Services **can reduce the need for psychiatric hospitalization, emergency room use and other higher-cost services.**

Program details

Our services and their duration are determined on a case-by-case basis, depending on the complexity and intensity of service(s) needed. Behavioral Support Services are provided by a caring and qualified team and includes direct coordination with existing providers. Services will be offered in the south metro as well as south central and southeast Minnesota.

Services include:

- Person-centered behavioral assessments
- Support plan consultation
- Engagement and coordination with community resources
- Positive support services
- Crisis support planning
- Data collection, including quality of life measures
- Trainings for hospital staff, group homes, schools, day programs, county agencies and more

Services can be received in the community, at home or in schools, or can be accessed virtually.

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