

CARP-ID

Community Accountability and Recidivism Prevention- Intensive Diversion Program

Ravenhill's Community Accountability and Recidivism Prevention- Intensive Diversion Program (CARP-ID) is a specialized intervention designed to divert juvenile offenders from ending up in placement in residential treatment facilities and/or youth detention centers. Community-based services reduce financial burdens and minimize social disruption. Juveniles who are granted the privilege of probation often require services and support to promote wellness and reduce the likelihood of recidivating. Additionally, living with an adjudication of a sexual offense in the community can often be a stressful experience for juveniles and families. Ravenhill understands the complexities and challenges juvenile delinquents pose to the community and the victims affected by their choices and behaviors. We also recognize that juvenile sexual offenders are capable of change with proper guidance and support.

CARP incorporates the principals of evidenced based probation in order to appropriately identify individual service needs and relies on the findings of the Youth Level of Service Index (YLS) to identify the risk/need of each referred client.

CARP-ID provides services to juveniles who have been adjudicated for sexual offenses/sexually problematic behaviors requiring intensive sexual offensive specific treatment as an alternative to placement in a residential treatment facility or inpatient setting. Referred youth may also demonstrate:

- poor sexual boundaries.
- and comorbid mental health concerns and/or elevated criminogenic needs as indicated on the YLS.

Services

Upon receiving a referral, the assigned Case Manager will contact the juvenile within 48 business hours. Once the referral information and YLS have been reviewed, a transition and safety plan will be developed with the assistance of the juvenile, parent/ guardian (when applicable), Forensic Specialist, and Juvenile Probation Officer. Detailed monthly reports are provided.

Service Planning from the Onset of Treatment

In collaboration with the client, Probation Officer, and parents/guardians, the CARP treatment team will develop an individual service plan capturing the unique needs presented by the juvenile and focusing on the risks and deficits identified by the YLS.

Ongoing Monitoring & Assessment

Ongoing assessment and consideration of criminogenic risk, and estimated risk of sexual offense recidivism occurs throughout the duration of the program. YLS scores are updated and documented on six month intervals until discharge. Case Managers meet with each youth at least twice per week in the home, school, or community setting, one meeting will include parents/guardians. Forensic Specialists address personal and behavioral goals in weekly meetings. Therapeutic Polygraph examinations are provided as needed..

Community Connections

Youth and families are assisted in cultivating positive community connections related to academic, employment, mental wellbeing, physical health , and recreational supports.

Partnerships for Brighter Futures

Rather than merely teaching, or simply informing, CARP-ID focuses on collaboration between client and treatment team in order to facilitate meaningful behavioral changes. With an emphasis on personal accountability and responsibility, we provide youth with personal connectedness, supervision and guidance, skills training, job/career enrichment opportunities, a knowledge of values, and goals/ hope for the future. By addressing criminogenic needs, youth develop the skills required to function optimally within the community. CARP-ID assists families in providing support/guidance to their son or daughter. Finally, CARP-ID clients experience: Reduction in externalizing behaviors such as aggression, hyperactivity, and conduct problems; reduction in internalizing behaviors such as anxiety and depression; increase in adaptive functioning, such as increased ability for adapting to changing situations, leadership behaviors, and positive communication skills; a decrease in estimated risk for reoffending; and an increase in protective factors.

A Graduated Intervention- A sexual offense specific curriculum

Phase 1: Start to 6 Months

- At least two face-to-face meetings with a Case Manager per week to continue the completion of community and personal and behavioral goals. Case Managers are on call on a 24 hour basis.
- One individual meeting with a Forensic Specialist per week at a Ravenhill office to address identified risks, and history of engaging in criminal sexual behavior.
- Incident specific polygraph

Phase 2: 7-9 Months

- One face-to-face meetings with a Case Manager per week to continue the completion of community and personal and behavioral goals. Case Managers are on call on a 24 hour basis.
- One individual meeting with a Forensic Specialist per week at a Ravenhill office to address identified risks, and history of engaging in criminal sexual behavior.*
- Maintenance polygraph

*Achievement of goals, compliance with CARP-ID and Probation, successful completion of a polygraph, and a reduction of overall risk will warrant a recommendation of discharge of forensic specialist services. If ongoing sex-offender-specific concerns/risks remain, it may be recommended that ongoing CARP-ID Forensic Specialist service involvement continues.

Phase 3: 10-12 Months

- One face-to-face meeting with a Case Manager per week to continue the completion of community and personal and behavioral goals. * Case Managers are on call on a 24 hour basis.

*Ravenhill will coordinate a maintenance polygraph examination, if appropriate, to identify any criminal or problematic sexual behaviors since the juvenile began the CARP-ID program. The assigned Case Manager will discuss and provide the juvenile and their family with community resources available to address ongoing needs upon discharge. At the end of twelve months an additional risk assessment will be completed to guide the discharge process. Achievement of goals, compliance with CARP and Probation, successful outcome on a polygraph, and a reduction of overall risk will warrant a recommendation of discharge. If ongoing sex-offender-specific concerns/risks remain, it may be recommended that ongoing CARP-ID involvement continue.