

HELENA AREA KMA

- Family Driven
- Youth Guided
- Child Centered
- Community Based
- Coordinated Services
- Culturally Competent
- Individualized
- Comprehensive
- Clinical Excellence
- Evidence Based
- Best Practices
- Invested in Early Identification and Prevention



Our service design and collaboration between community resources is based upon: **strengths** of the youth, family, and community, **awareness** of youth and family's needs, **cultural** and ethnic differences, **prevention/early intervention**; and **outcome/results** that blend available resources and provides coordination of **wraparound** services.

Systems of care (SOC's) is not a program— it is a philosophy of how care should be delivered. The Helena Area KMA uses this philosophy and training opportunities to help the community coordinate children's mental health services and attempt to address a youth's need for services, family supports, service and funding/ eligibility gaps, and general barriers to mental health treatment that youth and families may encounter. This approach recognizes the importance of family, school, community, and seeks to promote the full potential of every child by addressing their emotional, physical, intellectual, cultural and social needs.

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The Kids Management Authority (KMA) is a grant-funded organization that serves high risk SED youth in the community by utilizing community resources and collaboration.



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OUR PURPOSE



We are committed to serving youth who are 18 years old or younger with a Serious Emotional Disturbance (SED) mental health diagnosis who are being served by multiple agencies. The youth must be at-risk for, or residing in, an out of home placement.

We seek to provide coordination of services in a way that is

family -driven

and

child-centered.

We also strive to help

reduce the stigma

surrounding individuals with mental illness and their families.

Our staff includes a Project Director, Parent Coordinator, Evaluation Technician, and Youth Coordinator. The Coordinators have had recent personal family experience with serious mental health issues and **act as advocates and mentors** for the parents and youth within the KMA process.

COMMUNITY

KMA Community Team:

The community team meets once a month. This is a diverse team comprised of parents, youth, multi-agency service providers, case managers, clinicians, juvenile justice, school personnel, state representatives, and any other community member who is involved and/or invested in helping at-risk youth in our community succeed. Some of the goals of this team are to explore what services are currently available to families, collaborate in delivering those services, and work together towards filling the gaps in service availability and delivery.



Parent/Guardian Information-Support

Once a month there is an evening meeting for parents/guardians to learn information about services in the community, give input and have a voice in what services are needed to better assist families and youth, and to provide support to one another.

CARE TEAMS



KMA Individual Care Coordination Team (ICCT):

These teams are organized and meet on an as needed basis for a particular youth being served.

The ICCT meetings include the child's individual treatment team members, the child, and his or her parent(s) or guardian, service providers, state and/or agency representatives, case managers etc. This ICCT team should consist of anyone the family or youth identifies that understands the individual needs and strengths of the family and child being served by the KMA and can help address identified concerns.

Referrals for the ICCT Meetings:

To make a referral to the KMA for a particular youth, please contact any staff member of the Helena Area KMA.