

**PROGRAM INFORMATION** If you have questions about this report, please contact: Katie Ebbing at (859) 525-1877

Benchmark Family Services Florence TFC

**Parent Agency:** Benchmark Family Services Inc

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Benchmark Family Services provides quality services to all youth including therapeutic case management services, 24 hour crisis intervention, and mental health treatment with a contracted psychiatrist and on staff therapists. Our goal is to provide stable and consistent placements to youth in care and will work with DCBS to prevent disruptions or unnecessary moves for children in care. Case managers provide detailed monthly Treatment Status Reports to the referring agency and include the referring agency in all treatment planning meetings. Each youth placed will complete a thorough psycho-social assessment by a qualified Treatment Director and identified needs will be addressed in the youth's treatment plan. Benchmark Family Services accepts referrals for placements twenty four hours a day, seven days a week.

**Included/Excluded Populations****Gender Accepted:** Both **Age Range Accepted:** 0 to 21 **LOC Range Accepted:** 1 to 5 **Mininum IQ Accepted:** 40**Client Populations that are Absolutely Excluded**

None

**Client History at Admission**

<b>Average Age at Date Updated:</b>	12.1	<b>Average LOC at Intake</b>	3.0	<b>Number IQ 0 - 59:</b>	3
<b>Number of Residents:</b>	79	<b>LOC Unknown:</b>	11	<b>Number IQ 60 - 69:</b>	0
<b>Number of Males:</b>	33	<b>Number LOC 1:</b>	3	<b>Number IQ 70 and above:</b>	4
<b>Number of Females:</b>	46	<b>Number LOC 2:</b>	17	<b>Number IQ Unknown:</b>	72
		<b>Number LOC 3:</b>	30		
		<b>Number LOC 4:</b>	13		
		<b>Number LOC 5:</b>	5		
<b>Number of Current Residents Included in Risk Indicator Percentage</b>	84				
<b>Destroys Property:</b>	10%	<b>Homicidal Threats:</b>	5%	<b>Sexual Acting Out:</b>	7%
<b>Assaults Peers:</b>	19%	<b>Homicidal Gestures/Attempts</b>	0%	<b>Sexual Aggression</b>	
<b>Assaults Care Givers</b>	8%	<b>Suicidal Threats:</b>	7%	<b>With Younger Youth:</b>	1%
<b>Moderate AWOL Risk:</b>	4%	<b>Suicidal Gestures/Attempts</b>	2%	<b>Using Force:</b>	2%
<b>Chronic AWOL Risk:</b>	0%	<b>Substance Use Monthly or More</b>	1%	<b>With those Unable to Consent</b>	0%
<b>Self Abuse:</b>	4%	<b>Fire Setting:</b>	0%	<b>Adjudicated Sexual Offender</b>	1%

**STAFF INFORMATION**

	<b>Number</b>	<b>High School</b>	<b>Some College</b>	<b>BA</b>	<b>MA or Higher</b>
<b>Administration:</b>	7	0%	14%	57%	29%
<b>Case Management Staff:</b>	6	0%	0%	100%	0%
<b>Clinical Staff:</b>	2	0%	0%	0%	100%
<b>Direct Care Staff:</b>	0	0%	0%	0%	0%
<b>Average Number of Months Foster Parents have Fostered for the Agency:</b>	39.0				
<b>Treatment Director:</b>	Ms. Katie Ebbing MSW, LSW				

## Psychiatric Consultation and Internal Medical Staff

Contract with a Psychiatrist to do consultation on new children and provide ongoing psychiatric care. There are no internal medical staff, however, Benchmark does contract with a psychiatrist who is available to provide care to youth in placement.

SERVICES AND OUTCOMESSafety

<b>Number of Substantiated Abuse Allegations in the Past Year:</b> 0			
<b>Total # of Bedrooms:</b> 70	<b>Percentage of Direct Care Staff Trained in Physical Management</b>	N/A	
<b>Single Bedrooms:</b> 29	<b>Percentage of Foster Parents Trained in Physical Management:</b>	0.0%	
<b>Double Bedrooms:</b> 32	<b>Percent of Foster Families with 2 or more Children:</b>	55.8%	
<b>3+ Bedrooms:</b> 9	<b>Percent of Families with 2 or more Children and a Sibling Group:</b>	26.9%	
<b>Critical Incident and Physical Management ratios are compiled for the period 3/1/2011 to 2/29/2012</b>			
<b>Deadly Weapon Per 100 Resident Days</b>	0.00	WITHIN AVERAGE RANGE	Number of Months Data Received: of 12
<b>Serious Injury Per 100 Resident Days</b>	0.02	WITHIN AVERAGE RANGE	
<b>AWOL Per 100 Resident Days</b>	0.01	WITHIN AVERAGE RANGE	
<b>Suicide Attempt Per 100 Resident Days</b>	0.00	WITHIN AVERAGE RANGE	
<b>Criminal Activity Per 100 Resident Days:</b>	0.01	WITHIN AVERAGE RANGE	
<b>Injury to Other Per 100 Resident Days:</b>	0.00	WITHIN AVERAGE RANGE	
<b>Sexual Acting Out Per 100 Resident Day</b>	0.04	WITHIN AVERAGE RANGE	
<b>Total Critical Incidents Per 100 Resident Days:</b>	0.09	WITHIN AVERAGE RANGE	
<b>Physical Managements Per 100 Resident Days:</b>	N/A		

Permanency

<b>Length of stay and discharge data are calculated on discharges between 3/1/2011 through 2/29/2012</b>				
<b>Measure</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>	<b>Length of Stay</b>	<b>Outlier</b>
<b>Child Progress toward Permanency Discharges</b>	69	66.3%	209.7	WITHIN AVERAGE RANGE
<b>Progress Discharge to Home Like Placement</b>	69	66.3%	209.7	WITHIN AVERAGE RANGE
<b>Progress Discharge to Less Restrictive Placement</b>	59	56.7%	195.4	WITHIN AVERAGE RANGE
<b>Child Behavioral Difficulty Discharges</b>	29	27.9%	163.1	WITHIN AVERAGE RANGE
<b>Runaway Discharges</b>	4	3.8%	225.5	WITHIN AVERAGE RANGE
<b>Psychiatric Discharges</b>	7	6.7%	111.7	WITHIN AVERAGE RANGE
<b>Agency/System Discharges</b>	1	1.0%	2.0	WITHIN AVERAGE RANGE
<b>Caretaker Incapacity Discharges</b>	2	1.9%	32.0	WITHIN AVERAGE RANGE
<b>Caretaker Failure Discharges</b>	3	2.9%	295.0	WITHIN AVERAGE RANGE
<b>Caretaker Investigation Discharges</b>	0	0.0%		WITHIN AVERAGE RANGE

Well Being

	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent Internal</b>	<b>Percent External</b>	<b>Does this program have a PCC Foster to Adopt Agreement?.</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Individual Counseling</b>	63	95.2%	4.8%	<b>Adoptions by the Program's Foster Homes in the Past Year:</b>	5
<b>Group Counseling:</b>	2	0.0%	100.0%	<b>Educational Disruptions in the Past Year:</b>	14
<b>Family Counseling:</b>	2	0.0%	100.0%	<b>School Changes in the Past Year:</b>	0

## Describe How the Program Supports Family Connections

Benchmark works with the family and child to achieve reunification as directed by the DCBS worker. Family is invited to Treatment Team meetings, visitation and they receive a copy of the treatment plan each time one is updated. Foster children are encouraged to remain in contact with their parents. Family therapy is available as requested by DCBS.

## Special Interventions Available Internally

24 hour emergency phone available at all times for foster parents and youth, disruption meetings, specialized foster parent training as needed.

Description of how the program exceeds licensure ratios

No. Case loads are always within regulatory requirements.