

# Participating Agencies

Cumberland-Perry Mental Health .  
Intellectual & Developmental Disabilities

Cumberland-Perry Drug & Alcohol

Cumberland County Children & Youth  
Services

Perry County Children & Youth Services

Cumberland County Juvenile Probation  
Office

Merakey / Stevens Center -  
Base Service Unit

Penn State Holy Spirit Behavioral Health  
Center - Base Service Unit

Capital Area Intermediate Unit (CAIU)

Parent Representative

*for referral or more information:*



**Mental Health  
Intellectual & Developmental Disabilities**

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Carlisle, PA 17013

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ATTENTION: CASSP Coordinator

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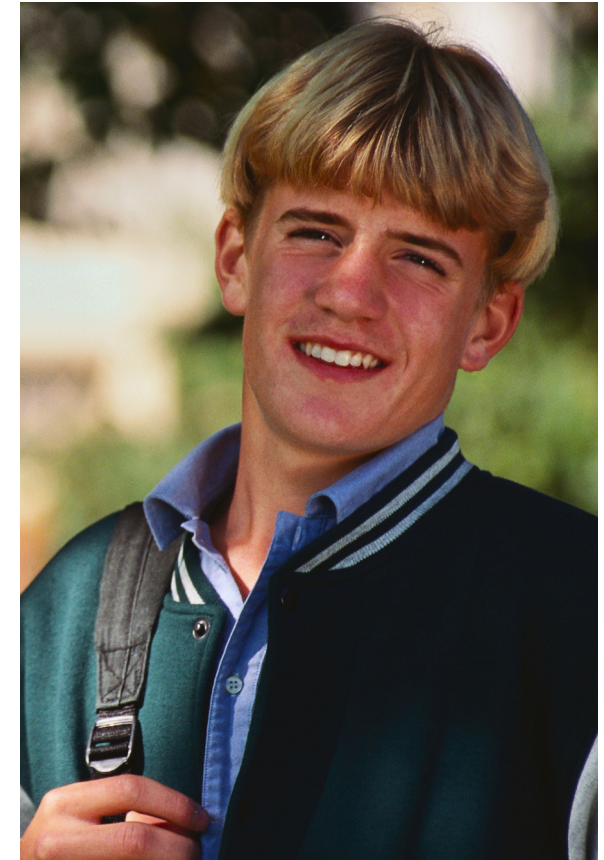
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866.240.6320

Cumberland - Perry Counties'  
**CASSP**

Child & Adolescent Service System Program



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**A** service of **Cumberland-Perry Metal Health / Intellectual & Developmental Disabilities**, the Child and Adolescent Service System Program (CASSP) pools the experience and knowledge of dedicated professionals of the child-serving agencies in a unified and integrated approach to service and delivery planning for children and adolescents who are experiencing significant difficulties in physical, cognitive, emotional, behavioral or social areas of development.

The expertise and decision-making authority of the agency representatives is brought together in CASSP Core Teams, making it possible, in one meeting, to bring the full range of services to bear upon the challenge, thus increasing communications and support for a child/youth and their family.

The CASSP Core Teams review cases referred, make recommendations for services and develop a service plan for the client and his/her family. Individual agencies/services providers will provide actual services. CASSP cannot provide services which are not presently available through other channels.

This consistently unified approach to children's services will improve the effectiveness of all child-serving agencies and may result in new program development as service needs are identified and defined.



# Questions & Answers about CASSP

**Q** What is CASSP?

**A** CASSP is an acronym for Child and Adolescent Service System Program. CASSP is designed to bring together professionals from all of the child-serving agencies of Cumberland and Perry Counties in a consistent and unified approach to treatment planning and service delivery to children who are experiencing difficulty in any of several developmental areas. The CASSP Coordinator is an administrative position in the Cumberland-Perry Counties' MH.IDD Program Office.

**Q** Who is eligible for CASSP services?

**A** Any child who is 18 or younger (21 if involved in special education) and is: 1) experiencing significant diminished functioning in physical, cognitive, emotional, behavioral, or social areas; 2) receiving services from two or more child-serving agencies; or 3) is at risk for out-of-home placement.

**Q** What is the cost for CASSP services?

**A** There is no charge for CASSP Core Team services. There may be some costs involved for services recommended by the Core Team. This will be determined at the point of service delivery by a financial liability determination.

**Q** Are parents & family of the client involved?

**A** The parents or guardian of the client are encouraged to participate in the CASSP Core Team review and planning. The intent of CASSP is to build upon the family's strengths as well as provide services to meet the areas of need.

**Q** What actually happens at a CASSP Core Team review?

**A** The case manager from the referring agency presents the case to the team, and any other involved agencies update their service involvement. The team discusses the areas of need and what available services can best meet those needs. A service plan, including assignment of a lead agency, is then developed, and the client or family is given names and telephone numbers to contact to arrange for services.

**Q** Is there any follow-up to CASSP Core Team reviews?

**A** Yes. At the time of the initial review, a quarterly review will be scheduled. If a client, family or any agency feels there is sufficient reason to do so, a follow-up review can be scheduled at any time.