

## **SCHENECTADY PREVENTION PROGRAM**

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Parsons Child & Family Center's Schenectady Prevention Program provides comprehensive clinical, case management, and family support services to Schenectady County residents. Our goal is to effectively address the issues that place children and youth at risk for foster care or residential placement. We also help families reunite after a separation or placement.

We are dedicated to helping parents and children succeed by drawing on their natural strengths while offering individualized service plans. We work with families in their home, offer flexible scheduling, collaborate with other providers, and offer innovative treatment.

### **AVAILABLE SERVICES**

- Individual, parent–child, couples, and family therapy
- Trauma assessment and treatment
- Permanency planning
- Parenting skills training
- Supervised and therapeutic visitation in conjunction with permanency work
- Mental health, domestic violence, and anger management counseling
- Safety planning, skill-building, and problem-solving
- Case planning and collaboration
- Advocacy and referral
- Crisis intervention
- Assistance with meeting concrete needs for food, clothing, shelter, transportation, employment, and medical care
- Attendance and participation in Family Court, CPS, Probation, school, and other meetings on request
- Social work consultation for permanency counseling options

### **BENEFITS**

- Improving family connections and communication
- Optimizing a family's natural strengths to increase overall safety and well-being
- Reducing stress and other risk factors
- Promoting resiliency and other protective factors
- Collaborating with other providers to maximize progress
- Linking families to other services and community supports

**Who can access services?** Schenectady County families with children from birth to age 18 who may be at risk for placement are eligible for services.

**How are services accessed?** The Schenectady Prevention Programs is funded by the Schenectady County Department of Social Services (DSS). Please contact Schenectady County DSS at 518.388.4570 to request services.

**When are services available?** Services are available Monday through Friday with appointments scheduled to accommodate the family's school and work commitments.