



## Our Mission

Children Matter! is here to help Montgomery County, Ohio children who have complex mental health needs.

Our goal is to assist children and their families, meet their personally identified needs, and to obtain a higher level of life satisfaction in their homes and in the community through strengths-based utilization.

We strive to keep families together and to avoid the need for out-of-home placements. We create a single point of contact for the family and child to help coordinate care across all child-serving supports. We believe every child has unique needs, so each plan is individualized to match the child and the family.

## Contact/Referrals

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## Partners



Keeping Youth &  
 Families **Together** in  
 Montgomery County

## What are Wraparound Services?

- ✓ A way of improving the lives of children, youth, and their families with complex needs
- ✓ Wraparound is a process, not an event
- ✓ Strengths-based, family-driven
- ✓ A family and their team developing a plan that will help meet their needs
- ✓ Team-based
- ✓ Needs-driven rather than service-driven
- ✓ Unique to each family as it's based on their personal strengths and culture.

"It takes a village to raise one child. It takes a community to raise our children. Children Matter! Montgomery County is a fantastic part of the community, so let's use the services and help our children thrive."

-Elle, parent of  
Children Matter! youth

"This is an amazing program, because you help put together a team of people that brainstorms goals, ideas, and solutions. You feel like you're not alone anymore, because you have a group of people that understands and truly wants to help you find what works for your unique situation."

-Jim, parent of  
Children Matter! youth

## Who We Serve

Children Matter! Montgomery County  
is for youth ages 2-18

## Free Program

Youth and Families are eligible  
regardless of income or insurance



## Who is on your Team?

- Professional supports may include: Teachers, Principals, Therapists, Case Managers, Probation Officers, Children Services Workers, Psychiatrists
- Community Supports may include: Family, Friends, Neighbors, Extended Family, Coaches, Pastors

## Additional Support

- A Family Engagement Coordinator from NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) will ensure that children and families have a strong voice in the implementation of services, become educated and empowered on issues relating to mental health, and can utilize NAMI and other available advocacy resources.



## What to Expect?

- Each youth is assigned a facilitator who remains a consistent support throughout the course of the program.
- A Facilitator will assist the youth and family in identifying family strengths, needs, and important family history.
- Early engagement is important.
- A Facilitator will meet with the family 1x per week for the first 4 weeks.
- The first team meeting is to occur 30 days or less from intake.
- Follow-up team meetings will occur as often as necessary to create and implement the wraparound plan with meetings occurring minimally 1x per month.
- A "Wraparound Plan" is created to select and address the top 3-5 needs identified by the youth, family, and team members.
- The team will brainstorm ideas, identify resources, and make appropriate linkages to meet team needs/goals.
- Progress will be monitored and celebrated throughout the process.
- Process continues until the family feels the needs are met.