Truancy Termination

**Description of Service:**

Truancy Termination is provided to families and children involved in Probation. The purpose is to provide drop-out prevention, education, job readiness skills, parent education, and family support services. The provider will work with family members to identify reasons for the youth’s truancy issues and the barriers to regular attendance. They will work with the child, family, school, and Probation Officer to identify solutions and interventions necessary to increase the youth’s school attendance and academic performance.

**Frequency/Duration:**

There are 6 weekly skills based classes the youth and parent are to complete. Youth Modules include: *Personal Hygiene, Truancy, College Awareness, Conflict resolution, Relationships, Substance abuse, Decision Making, Time Management and Goal Setting.* Parent Modules include: *Role as a Parent and self-esteem, understanding child growth and development, communication skills, effective discipline, anger management/conflict resolution, teaching morals, values and respect, and financial management.* The provider may continue to work with the family upon completion of these modules to support the family as well as monitor the family’s overall well-being and the school attendance of the child.

**Expectations:**

**Youth:** The youth must be available and participate in every scheduled session.

**Parent:** The parent(s) as well as other family members in the home must participate in every scheduled session along with the youth. The full participation of the parent is very important to the success of the service. The parent must sign a Release of Information so the provider and the Probation Officer can exchange information.

**Service Provider:** The service provider will contact the family and conduct, and complete a comprehensive intake and assessment and create a Family Development Plan. They will communicate at least monthly with the probation officer about the participation levels and progress of the youth and family members and shall provide the Probation Officer with monthly reports by the 10th of each month.

**Probation Officer:** The probation officer will make the referral to the provider in a timely manner. The Probation officer will indicate on the referral what goals the provider should work on with the child and family and will remain in contact with the provider to monitor the progress of the youth and update goals if they change.