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Application for Consultation Information Page

To: All Affiliated Providers and TCMs

Sedgwick County Developmental Disability Organization is pleased to announce it has contracted with Dr. James Vincent, PhD, to provide consultation services for individuals that are exhibiting challenging behaviors. Dr. Vincent is a board licensed psychologist, and has a long and distinguished history working with children and adults who are MR/DD and MI. He has served as Director of Psychological Services at Heartspring, Behavioral Consultant for Erin is Hope Foundation, and is currently in private practice at The Therapy Center. Dr. Vincent will be able to work with support teams to develop interventions, provide individual therapy, and offer other assistance to ensure the best support available. We are excited to pursue this partnership between our affiliates and Dr. Vincent.

In order to prioritize Dr. Vincent's limited time with us, we have developed the following system of application for a consult.

- The application is to be filled out by the TCM, any agency working with the individual, or the parent/guardian of the individual, and submitted to Heather Borsdorf (hborsdorf@sedgwick.gov) at SCDDO, along with the PCSP, current and previous behavior support plans, individual justice plan (if one), and the last three months of behavior data and incident reports. Please be sure to have the guardian sign a release of information for Dr. Vincent to exchange information with the CDDO, TCM agency, and any other entity involved with the individual (Day, Residential, School, etc.). This may mean the guardian has to sign multiple releases. Please utilize the attached release.
- The CDDO will review the information and prioritize the application based on severity of the behaviors. A consult could begin immediately, the application may be put on a "Standby" list or the application will be denied. As Dr. Vincent's time allows, more and more people will be taken off of "Standby" and be offered consultation. If the application is denied, Heather will work with the team to examine other options and interventions to help meet the need presented.
- Please note that during consultations, the team will be expected to attend meetings, collect and submit data, and be open to new ideas on supporting the individual. While this process offers great results, it can also be time consuming for the short term.

- While on the “Standby” list, Heather Borsdorf will follow up with the TCM once a month to see how things are going and to gauge if the individual needs to be moved up or down the list.
- Applications can be submitted at any time through the end of 2008. We suggest getting the applications submitted immediately for those individuals who are currently having problems. Please submit the application as needed for those individuals whose needs escalate through the remainder of the year.
- Application for assistance or further help should come to Heather Borsdorf, and not to Dr. Vincent himself. Once the consult has begun, the team may need to have the ability to contact Dr. Vincent directly. However, unless notified otherwise, we request all information go through Heather Borsdorf so Dr. Vincent’s time can be effectively maximized for all affiliated providers.
- Consultations will begin May 1. Please submit applications immediately for first consideration.

If you have questions or need further information, please contact Heather Borsdorf at SCDDO at 316-660-7637 or hborsdor@sedgwick.gov.