

Early Intervention Program

Serving teens residing in Middlesex County

Rushford's Early Intervention Program is designed to help young people get back on the right path after they've encountered problems because of their drug or alcohol use. We provide a sequence of meaningful services for teens whose substance abuse has led to arrest, suspension/expulsion or trouble at home. Many of our participants have found the guidance and support of the program a helpful resource for positive change.



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The Early Intervention Program receives referrals from a wide array of service providers including schools, juvenile review boards, counselors, juvenile court, pediatricians and concerned parents. The program consists of four steps, all of which are required to complete the program.

STEP 1: Client screening

Students will be screened prior to entering the Program. A family meeting will be held to determine if the EIP is the appropriate resource for each student.

STEP 2: Drug/Alcohol Education Program

Students will complete a three-hour online education program on marijuana or alcohol use. Parents will complete an online education program entitled "Parent Wise."

STEP 3: Teen Awareness Group

Students will attend a minimum of three group sessions. Meetings are held on Wednesday evenings in Centerbrook, CT.

STEP 4: Follow-up services

Ongoing contact will be maintained with parents and referral sources to best coordinate additional recommendations. Referrals to a higher level of service will be made if and when needed.

The cost of the program is \$100 per student. No student will be denied services because of an inability to pay.