

What Systems of Care will the Case Conferencing Team Serve?

A publicly funded system of care means the child welfare system, the behavioral health system, the juvenile justice system, and programs funded by the office of homeless youth. Any eligible youth or young adult exiting one of these systems of care can be referred to the Youth and Young Adult Housing Response Team (RCW 43.330.720). For more information, go to <https://app.leg.wa.gov/RCW/default.aspx?cite=43.330.720>.



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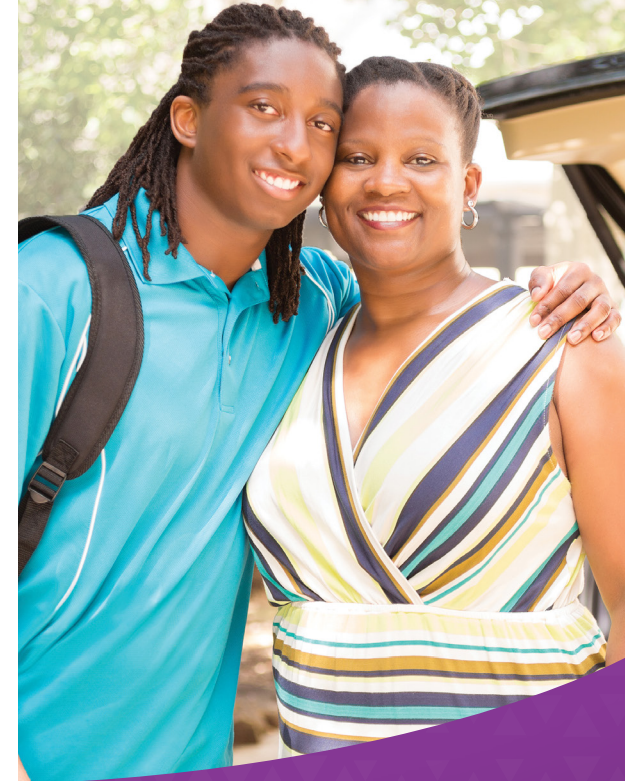
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YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULT HOUSING RESPONSE TEAM (YYAART)



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Objective

It is the goal that in Washington State any unaccompanied youth discharged from a publicly funded system of care be discharged into safe and stable housing (RCW 43.330.700(5)(a)). For more information, go to <http://app.leg.wa.gov/RCW/default.aspx?cite=43.330.700>.

The Department of Children, Youth, and Families (DCYF), in equal partnership with the Office of Homeless Youth (OHY), The Health Care Authority, and the Developmental Disabilities Administration of the Department of Social and Health Services, has convened the Youth and Young Adult Housing Response Team (YYAHRT), a cross-agency team dedicated to supporting young people exiting systems of care.

The YYAHRT receives referrals for individual youth and young adults in need of resources intended to assist with housing stability upon exit from a publicly funded system of care. The YYAHRT centers the youth or young adult, including their strengths and identified goals. Resources identified are aligned with the young person's stated goals.

The YYAHRT collects, tracks, and reports data related to gaps and barriers to stable housing for young people exiting publicly funded systems of care.

Who Qualifies?

- Youth and young adults 12 through 24 years of age.
- Youth and young adults who are exiting a publicly funded system of care.
- Youth and young adults who are at risk of homelessness.

Individuals who can make a referral include but are not limited to:

- Self-Referral by the Youth or Young Adult
- Family Members
- Advocates
- Educators
- System of Care Employees
- Behavioral Health Providers
- Service Providers contracted with DCYF or OHY
- Law Enforcement Officers

What YOU Can Expect ...

The YYAHRT provides resource referral and navigation. When necessary and appropriate, the YYAHRT will host youth-centered team meetings. The referred youth or young adult will be identified as eligible or ineligible and the referrer will be contacted by the YYAHRT Manager with next steps and expected time frames. The youth or young adult will also be contacted directly prior to scheduling a team meeting.

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YYAHRT meetings are centered around finding ways to meet the young person's goals and needs. The young person's role will be central in the consultative process.