EXAMPLES OF STRATEGIES/ACTIVITIES/INTERVENTIONS

The therapeutic behavioral services staff person provides behavioral modeling, structure and support, and immediate, frequent one-to-one behavioral interventions which assist the child/youth in engaging in appropriate activities, minimizing impulsivity, and increase social and community competencies by building or reinstating those daily living skills that will assist the child to live successfully in the community. The therapeutic behavioral services provider also serves as a positive role model and assists in developing the child/youth’s ability to sustain self-directed appropriate behavior, internalize a sense of social responsibility, and/or enable participation proactively in community activities.

Individualized behavioral interventions that could be provided include but are not limited to: immediate behavioral reinforcements; time-structuring activities; inappropriate response prevention; positive reinforcement; appropriate time-out strategies and cognitive behavioral approaches, such as cognitive restructuring, use of hierarchies, and graduated exposure. The interventions also may include support for the family or foster family/support system’s efforts to provide a positive environment for the child/youth and collaboration with other members of the mental health treatment team.

Examples of activities/interventions may include but are not limited to:

- Assisting the child/youth to engage in, or remain engaged in, appropriate activities
- Helping to minimize the child/youth’s impulsive behavior
- Helping to increase the child/youth’s social and community competencies by building or reinforcing those daily living skills that will assist the child/youth in living successfully at home and in the community
- Providing immediate behavioral reinforcements
- Providing time-structuring activities
- Preventing inappropriate responses
- Providing appropriate time-out strategies
- Providing cognitive behavioral approaches, such as cognitive restructuring, use of hierarchies, and graduated exposure
- Collaboration with and support for the family caregivers’ efforts to provide a positive environment for the child