

Prevention

Prevention serves community needs by providing programs and services that create and reinforce conditions to promote healthy behaviors and lifestyles for the residents of Berkeley County. These are Information, Education Workshops, Drug-free Community Events, Problem Identification, Referral, Laws/Community Norms and Coordination of the Berkeley County Prevention Board.

The Berkeley County Prevention Board, along with the Kennedy Center, sponsors three major community events each year:

3-D Candlelight Memorial Service

An event to remember victims and their family members affected by drunk and drugged driving.

Family Fest, Picnic in the Park

A Kick-off to Red Ribbon Week to promote Drug prevention.

Red Ribbon Proclamation Signing

Berkeley County Council, Sheriff, Mayors and Police Chiefs sign a proclamation declaring October 23-31 Drug Prevention Week for their respective municipalities.

In addition, the Prevention Department has three substance specific grants.

The Alcohol Enforcement Team (AET)

Funds the 9th Judicial Circuit AET Team and its member agencies to enforce Underage Alcohol use and sales.

Drug Free Communities Grant (DFC)

Focuses on Underage Alcohol and Tobacco/Vaping.

Partnership for Success (PFS)

Addresses Opioid Misuse and Impaired Driving.

HOURS OF OPERATION

Monday through Thursday
7:30 AM - 5:00 PM

Friday
8:00 AM - 1:30 PM

*Please call as hours of operation may change without prior notification. Closed on all major Holidays.

Moncks Corner Office (Administration & Adult Services)



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MISSION

To provide comprehensive behavioral health services that promote health and improve quality of life

VISION

To work in conjunction with our collaborative partners to establish a healthy and drug free Berkeley County

VALUES

The Ernest E. Kennedy Center is a private, not for profit agency providing comprehensive behavioral health services to promote the health and quality of life for citizens in our communities. Any individual in need is eligible to receive services without regard to race, religion, disability, national origin, or gender.

OUR SERVICES WILL

- Protect the dignity and privacy of the individuals served
- Provide affordable services to those in need
- Be empirically advised and clinically sound

Finance

Individual arrangements for payment can be made through the Finance office based on a financial assessment and the client's ability to pay. Most private insurance and Medicaid are accepted.

Adult Services

The Kennedy Center offers a wide range of outpatient services in a safe and supportive environment.

- Biopsychosocial Assessments
- Individual & Family Therapy
- Group Therapy
- Intensive Outpatient Therapy

Medication Assisted Treatment:

The Kennedy Center recognizes the importance of treating the opioid epidemic. This program allows medication to assist clients with withdrawal symptoms while they attend treatment services. This combination allows the best opportunity for success for our clients.

ADSAP (Alcohol and Drug Safety Action Program)

The statewide substance abuse program for individuals who are convicted of driving under the influence (DUI) or driving with an unlawful alcohol concentration; individuals referred by the Department of Natural Resources for boating under the influence (BUI); and individuals whose licenses are suspended through the state's Administrative License Revocation (ALR) procedure.

HIV (Human immunodeficiency virus)

Our services include free and confidential HIV screening and testing.

Drug Court

Drug Court is available for individuals with pending criminal charges and/or probation violations. Entry into the program requires a guilty plea to charges and/or probation violations with a negotiated sentence and deferral upon successful completion of the program. The program lasts a minimum of 15 months. Upon successful completion of Drug Court, the charges will be dismissed or the probation supervision ended.

Youth Services

Our Youth Outpatient Program offers a wide variety of services to meet the unique needs of adolescents and their families dealing with substance abuse, dependence, or related high-risk behaviors.

Outpatient Counseling

Outpatient counseling is customized for each person based on their individual needs and can range from group and/or individual counseling sessions. The number and frequency of those sessions will depend on the needs of the client and their families.

Intensive Outpatient

IOP is the highest level of care for an outpatient treatment program. IOP meets at least three times per week for a total of six hours. The IOP program consists of individual, family and group therapy sessions. Most referrals at the IOP level of care have a history of substance use, are returning from in-patient substance use treatment, or have unsuccessfully abstained from substance use at a lower level of care.

The Bridge Program

The Bridge Program serves both Berkeley and Charleston Counties. This is an intensive program that provides behavioral health services in the community, homes and schools of clients served. Sessions provided can include intensive case management, individual, family, and group therapy sessions. To further assist youth in this program, life skills, education assistance and employment services are also provided. One of the primary referrals for this program is the Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ).