



RRS

Recidivism
Reduction Services
North Carolina

Justice Reinvestment Act 2011

Treatment for Effective Community Supervision (TECS)

Created in HB642; S.L 2011-192; funding to begin 7/1/12

Funding has been determined by the legislature to be spent on evidence-based services proven to reduce recidivism

Offenders that are determined to be high risk

Cognitive Behavioral Interventions are primary

Use EB assessments with consistent and measurable outcomes and annual site visits by CDS

Developed Recidivism Reduction Services (RRS) in 2015

What is RRS?

RRS is a program offered through NCDAC for individuals requiring additional behavioral health services. These services consist of Cognitive Behavioral Interventions (CBI) and/or Substance Abuse Services (SA) with wrap around services.

The CBI component is a systematic, step-by-step cognitive skills rehabilitation system designed to confront the thinking errors that prevent offenders from breaking the cycle of criminality. CBI teaches offenders thinking and judgment skills in a group process that use a series of structured exercises to develop higher levels of reasoning.

The duration of RRS usually runs 90-120 days (depending on the individual needs).

Throughout the state there are various curriculums used to teach CBI to offenders. These curriculums include MRT (Moral Recognition Therapy) and Change Journals: Getting it Right Journaling).

Support Services (Wrap Around Services)

- Education/Vocation
 - Employment
 - Health/Nutrition
 - Childcare services
 - Family Counseling
 - Parenting Classes
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A vendor can refer or provide classes on any of the above services up to 3 times for each of the services

Regular Outpatient Treatment (ROP)/Intensive Outpatient Treatment (IOP)

- In some counties, the RRS vendor also has a contract to provide ROP, IOP, or both substance abuse services.
- As a TASC Care Manager, you can refer a client to a vendor for these substance abuse services as a part of their treatment plan.
- Vendors are required to maintain communication and provide monthly status updates on the client to both Probation/Parole and TASC.

RRS Vendors

Division 1: Six Vendors

Division 2: Eight Vendors

Division 3: Three Vendors

Division 4: One Vendor



Statewide RRS Curriculums



Moral Recognition
Therapy

Getting It Right Journals

Division 1: MRT and
Change Journals
Division 2: MRT and
Change Journals
Division 3: MRT
Division 4: MRT



Target Population for RRS

- The eligible pool of offenders for RRS programming are those who have been assessed as being either a L1, L2, or L3 in terms of supervision level.
- Court Ordered
- High Risk Delegated Authority
- Post-Release
- 90-96 cases

Not eligible: Parole and Deferred Prosecution



Referral Process for CBI

- Probation/Parole officer makes referral through case plan.
- Referrals can be initiated by TASC Care Manager, but Probation/Parole officer must do the referral in case plan.



Benefits of RRS Services

- **Less Revocations**
- **Increased Offender Compliance**
- **Decreased Crime**
- **Decreased Recidivism**
- **Way to Address Criminogenic Needs**



Accomplishments

- All counties in the state have a RRS vendor
- Improved communication between all parties to include offender, Probation/Parole, vendor and Community Development Specialist
- Reduced Criminal Thinking
- Vendor Open Houses
- Completion Ceremonies
- Increased Successful Completions







Working
Together



“A successful team
beats with one heart. Are
you in sync with the
beat?”

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Community Development Specialist for NCDAC

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- Division 3: Ashley Jane'
- Division 4: Lashawnda Key
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Open Discussion



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