

Who Manages the Assessment Program?

The trauma assessment program is overseen by the Livingston County Trauma Informed Steering Committee (TISC).

This committee is an interdisciplinary team of leaders from local human service organizations that offer oversight and provide gate-keeping functions for the program and the team.

The Livingston County Trauma Informed Steering Committee reviews all referrals and assigns cases based on criteria and community priorities. LACASA serves as the lead agency for this project.

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PROGRAMS & SERVICES

- 24/7 On-Call Response Team
- LACASA Crisis Shelter
- Sexual Assault Response Center
- Survivor Counseling and Support Groups
- Legal Advocacy Program
- Court Accompaniment
- Personal Protection Order Assistance
- Children & Youth Program
- *Safe Pet Place* for shelter residents' pets
- *New Transitions* Housing Program

Community Affiliates

LACASA Center

Business Line: **517-548-1350**

Fax: 517-548-3034

24-Hour Help Line: **866-522-2725**

2895 W. Grand River Ave.

Howell, MI 48843

Livingston County Community Mental Health—Child & Adolescent Services

517-548-0081

Livingston County Department of Human Services

517-548-0200

LESA

517-546-5550

Livingston County Circuit Court/ Family Juvenile Division

517-546-1500

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Trauma Informed Assessments



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Professionals may request
assessments for children
who have experienced
the trauma of
abuse and neglect

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TRAUMA ASSESSMENTS

Early detection helps minimize risks for children and youth

Professionals who work with children may request that we perform a **Trauma Informed Assessment** for a child who has been exposed to potentially traumatic events of abuse and/or neglect.

Assessments are designed to evaluate how trauma may have impacted a child on multiple levels including:

- ◆ Cognitive
- ◆ Behavioral
- ◆ Emotional
- ◆ Psychological
- ◆ Speech & language
- ◆ Social & family
- ◆ Academic

We then establish a plan to help minimize future trauma and improve the child's daily functioning and wellbeing.

Who should receive Assessments?

Trauma focused assessments are for children who have been exposed to potentially traumatic events which can affect the child's life on many levels.

Early detection of trauma can minimize psychological and physiological risks for these complex and challenging children.

Who is eligible?

A child who meets these criteria:

- ◆ Child is a resident of Livingston County or in the county's jurisdiction
- ◆ Child is considered to have SED — Serious Emotional Disorder (SED is defined as a diagnosable mental, behavioral or emotional disorder.)
- ◆ Child is age infant to 18 years old
- ◆ Child has experienced trauma, abuse or neglect

Child also meets one of these criteria:

- ◆ Is in—or at risk of—an out of home placement
- ◆ Is receiving or has received services from multiple systems or agencies
- ◆ Is receiving services but continues to escalate or is not benefiting from those services

Who conducts the Assessment?

Trauma Informed Assessments will be provided by a local team of professionals from Livingston County.

Assessment Teams receive specialized training and coaching from the **Children's Trauma Assessment Center (CTAC)** in Kalamazoo, a nationally recognized program provider.

Teams include social workers, physicians, psychologists, occupational therapists, physical therapists, or other professionals.

How do I make a referral?

1. Complete the referral form and other forms which are downloadable online at www.lacasacenter.org
2. Submit the referral form, authorization forms, and other information to LACASA via fax or mail
3. LACASA will present the information to the Oversight Committee for review and determination of approval
4. LACASA will contact the referral source with the committee's decision

Where will the Assessment be held?

Trauma Assessments are conducted at LACASA Center, 2895 W. Grand River Avenue, Howell, Michigan

How will I get Assessment results?

Following the assessment, the Trauma Informed Assessment Team will complete a report which details findings and recommendations.

The Team Leader and LACASA advocate will review the results with the referral source and other parties as requested.

