



The Home’s mission is to ensure the healthy behavioral, emotional, social and educational development and physical well-being of children and families living in at-risk circumstances.

Innovative Programming

The Home has been a leader in developing innovative programs for underserved populations. For example, at the time of its formation, our Waltham House program was only the third group home in the country for gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender and questioning (GLBTQ) youth. The Academic Support for College and Life program at Bridgewater State University, Roxbury Village and the Young Adult Resource Network are unique programs designed specifically for young people leaving state care and transitioning to adulthood.

A Voice for Children

The Home has been in the forefront of influencing policy and legislation and developing services that help children and families at risk. As co-founder and co-chair of the Massachusetts Task Force on Youth Aging Out of the Department of Children and Families’ Care, The Home has worked to help young adults without skills and community supports meet the challenges of pursuing higher education, work and life.

We continuously measure the impact of our work to develop and enhance our programs. We never give up on children — and we don’t let children give up on themselves. Our commitment to advocacy furthers our goal of being a strong voice for *all* children and families, not just the ones we serve directly.



Serving children and youth from birth to 21, The Home makes a positive impact on over 7,000 lives each year through a wide network of programs including behavioral health, therapeutic residential and special education, adoption and foster care. In addition, a number of innovative programs provide specialized assistance to youth transitioning to adulthood from state systems of care.

The Home’s “open door” structure allows children, families and young adults to access our network of services at any given point in the continuum, based on their needs. Primary service areas include: individual, group and family therapy; psychological and neuro-psychological testing; medication management; child and family skills development; therapeutic mentoring; birth parent counseling; life skills training; community connection and integration; behavioral stabilization; educational preparation; and social, vocational and daily living supports.



The Home for Little Wanderers provides a seamless continuum of vital programs and services for every stage of child and family development. For more than 200 years we’ve earned a reputation for doing whatever it takes to strengthen vulnerable families and keep children safe in their own communities, even when they don’t have family support.

We provide services in eight different languages and in multiple venues throughout Eastern Massachusetts, including in schools, clinics and homes. Our dedicated staff of over 600 includes more than 130 licensed clinicians and 180 direct care counselors, five psychiatrists, four psychologists, and 24 teachers.

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OUR NETWORK OF SERVICES





The Home in the Community

Children of all ages and their families have access to a wide array of behavioral health support services offered in communities throughout Eastern Massachusetts. These include: early childhood mental health services; school-based counseling; individual, group and family therapy; parenting and daily living skills education; in-home therapy and mentoring; and pre-school teacher training.

- **Adoption & Foster Care**
- **Child and Family Counseling Center**
- **Preschool Outreach Program**
- **Safe at Home**
- **Therapeutic After School Program**

Children's Community Support Collaborative (CCSC)

is both a home-based and residential comprehensive system of care for children with a diagnosis of severe emotional disturbance or serious mental illness. Used by the Department of Mental Health (DMH) as a replicable model, CCSC is a wraparound program that offers important mental health and other support services to children and their families. The program works closely with DMH case managers and other external treatment providers to help maintain/reintegrate clients with their families and communities.

Therapeutic Residential and Educational Services

Therapeutic residences provide family-driven and youth-guided services to adolescents, including Residential Educational Placements, Behavioral Treatment Residence (BTR) and Respite Care. Services are strength-based, culturally and linguistically competent, and grounded in evidence-based practices such as Trauma Informed Care, Cognitive Behavioral Therapy, and Therapeutic Crisis Intervention.

The Home operates two year-round Massachusetts-approved Chapter 766 private schools for academically and emotionally challenged youth. The schools offer highly structured therapeutic behavior support systems, have small class sizes, a high staff-to-student ratio and support that is tailored to each student's needs and treatment plan.

Longview Farm Campus *Walpole*

Residences: co-ed ages 5 to 13, males ages 13 to 17

School: co-ed ages 5 to 18

Southeast Campus *Plymouth*

Residences and school: co-ed ages 10 to 18



Case Management and Wraparound Services

The Home serves in a coordination capacity for two family-focused programs in Boston. Providing a single point of entry for all services, the programs place the family at the center of the planning process and builds a team around the family's vision for their child's future.



Group Homes

Children and adolescents transitioning back to their families, progressing to less restrictive environments or preparing to live independently, frequently need support to make a successful move. The Home operates four group homes providing individualized treatment and services to the youth and their families. It also operates a 45-day Short-Term Assessment and Rapid Re-integration (STARR) program.

Coldwell Banker House *Norwood*

Males ages 12 to 18

Harrington House *Mission Hill*

Co-ed ages 6 to 12

Roxbury House *Roxbury*

Co-ed ages 14 to 18

Waltham House *Waltham*

Co-ed GLBTQ youth ages 14 to 18

Community Service Agencies, serving Hyde Park, Dorchester and South Boston, help youth with serious emotional disturbance (SED) who are enrolled in MassHealth Standard or CommonHealth and meet certain medical criteria. This program is part of the Massachusetts Children's Behavioral Health Initiative (CBHI).

Transitional Programs

The Home offers a number of programs for those moving into adulthood who need additional help and resources to further their educational and vocational goals and to prepare them for meaningful lives.

Academic Support for College and Life (ASCL)

, in partnership with Bridgewater State University, provides young men and women with the opportunity to live on the campus while receiving college preparatory and college-level academic instruction, as well as clinical, social, vocational, and daily living supports.

Young Adult Resource Network (YARN)

assists young adults ages 17-22 who are involved with the Department of Children and Families in obtaining stable housing, employment, physical and psychological wellness, and educational and community involvement, while developing supportive relationships.

Roxbury Village provides affordable housing for young people who are homeless, or at risk of being homeless. The program offers support and community connections to help build the resources and skills young people need to become self-sufficient and productive adults.

Family Networks (Park Street Area Lead) partners with Park Street Department of Children and Families (DCF) to provide support to children and families. The program works only with clients referred from DCF, acting as a single point of entry for all contracted services identified in the DCF service plan.