Day Treatment Program

Astor Services for Children & Families promotes the well-being of children, adolescents and their families through a range of programs.

What is Day Treatment?
Day Treatment (DT) is a highly structured, school-based treatment program that provides mental health and educational services to school aged children (5-12 years-old) with serious emotional and behavioral issues. The DT interdisciplinary team of trained professionals provides a nurturing and supportive environment for children who have difficulty learning in a regular day-to-day school setting. The average length of program stay is between 18 months - 24 months.

Day Treatment students:
• Learn in classrooms of 8 students with 1 teacher and 2 teaching assistants supported by the clinical team of psychiatrist, social workers and behavior coaches
• Develop the age appropriate social and learning skills to improve their academic standing

The Day Treatment Program is committed to helping our students succeed in school, home and community. Our successes are due to the level of integration of the educational and mental health services within the program.

Education Services:
• Day Treatment provides an academic education individualized to the learning and behavioral needs of each child through an Individualized Education Plan (IEP)
• Children are grouped both by age and level of academic functioning

Mental/Behavioral/Medical Health Services:
• Individual and group therapy once a week during the school day
• Psychiatric consultation services are available 2 days a week
• Peer mediation and crisis prevention through early intervention are available all day

Admission Process
Typically, all children admitted have behavioral and emotional problems that seriously interfere with school, home and community adjustments. Family members refer children for assessment. The NYC DOE Committee of Special Education (CSE) reviews and approves all admissions.

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