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## ATCHISON COUNTY CENTER

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## EMERGENCY SERVICES

Business hours: (913) 682-5118  
After hours: (888) 260-9634

### OUR MISSION

The Guidance Center promotes healthy communities by providing integrated behavioral health care services and partnering in the delivery of general healthcare to those we serve.

### OUR VISION

We envision a healthy community of people who can access and benefit from state of the art integrated health care which results in an enhanced quality of life for all.

### OUR GUIDING PRINCIPLES

We will provide accountable and value-based prevention, early intervention, recovery, and wellness-oriented behavioral health care services and supports. Our services will be readily accessible and outcome driven.

We will provide our services in the least restrictive environment possible without compromising quality care.

We practice integrated health care. Community partnerships are central to positive client outcomes.

We are a customer-first organization where quality of services, integrity and ethics are never compromised.

Our priority is to serve the residents of Atchison, Jefferson, and Leavenworth counties.

We will not deny services due to genuine inability to pay.

Core services defined by licensing standards will be accessible to every resident of the three county areas. The involvement of clients and their families is essential to providing responsive, accessible, and culturally competent services.

As a learning organization, we continuously assess and improve our processes and performance.

We are committed to providing a mutually supportive work environment that encourages engagement, growth, and performance excellence.

We will be in legal and regulatory compliance and fiscally responsible.



THE  
GUIDANCE  
CENTER

*Promoting healthy communities.*

SERVING ATCHISON, JEFFERSON,  
& LEAVENWORTH COUNTIES

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*“We envision healthy, safe communities where individual differences are valued, human dignity is preserved, and personal strengths are enhanced.”*

Originating in Atchison in 1937 as the Child Guidance Clinic, The Guidance Center has become a major behavioral health service provider in northeast Kansas, serving residents of Atchison, Jefferson, and Leavenworth Counties.

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## SERVICES FOR ADULTS

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Most of us have times in our lives when we feel overwhelmed and wonder how we can cope with changes, losses, or feelings which may seem more intense or troublesome than is usual for us. These can be normal parts of life's ups and downs. Often, these are times when we overcome challenges and accomplish personal growth and positive change.

However, if these troubling feelings or reactions persist, they may begin to interfere with our typical way of managing our lives. People may benefit from professional guidance as they learn to understand the feelings they are experiencing and make positive choices to feel they are once again in charge of their lives.

The Guidance Center's services for adults include therapy and psychiatry services, substance abuse recovery services, psychological testing and evaluations, and specialized services designed to meet the needs of those individuals suffering from serious mental illness.

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## SERVICES FOR CHILDREN & FAMILIES

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Children may have difficulty succeeding in school or at home for many reasons. Depression, anxiety, Attention Deficit Disorder (ADD), Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD), or other conditions can affect a child's success. Children and families may benefit from professional guidance, as well.

Since our beginning over 60 years ago, we have offered care for children with varying difficulties. The Guidance Center's services for children and families includes therapy and psychiatry services, substance abuse recovery services, psychological testing and evaluations, and specialized services designed to meet the needs of youth suffering from serious emotional and mental difficulties.

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## PREVENTION, EDUCATION & CONSULTATION

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Center staff collaborate with community organizations to promote ongoing awareness and education regarding mental health and substance abuse issues through classes, in-service training, workshops, and professional consultation. Contact the clinic administrator of each location for additional information. Additionally, The Guidance Center promotes youth development through the sponsorship of the “You Have a Friend” mentoring program in Atchison County.

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## EMERGENCY SERVICES

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Emergency Services are provided by clinical staff 24 hours per day, 7 days per week for those needing immediate attention. After-hours services are available to clients and referral sources for consultation, problem resolution and, when needed, face-to-face intervention. To contact a member of the Emergency Services team:

**During the day call: (913) 682-5118**

**After hours call: (888) 260-9634**

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## HELPING A LOVED ONE

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If you are concerned that a loved one may be experiencing a mental illness, remember that listening - not necessarily giving advice - may be what they need. However, if problems seem to be interfering with their ability to get through a day, encourage them to seek professional help by consulting with their family physician or local community mental health center therapist about their concerns.

If you are concerned that a loved one may be experiencing problems with alcohol or drug abuse and you are not sure what the next step should be, you can call and speak with one of our Recovery Services therapists and explore your options with them. Confidentiality is strictly observed.

Parents and guardians may make appointments for their children. While adults will make their own appointments, you can assist them with the telephone call and get them connected with a Guidance Center staff member. Offer to go with them to the appointment, if that would be helpful.

If your friend or loved one talks about wanting to give up, wanting to be dead, or saying that it's too hard to go on, he or she may be suicidal. **Please don't underestimate the**

**seriousness of his or her despair.** Please get help by calling 911, or call The Guidance Center's Emergency Services hotline. If they are willing, you can take them to the nearest emergency room and ask for assistance.

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## OUR SERVICE PROVIDERS

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The Guidance Center's services are delivered by a team of mental health professionals crucial to the success of the treatment program. Staff are compassionate and understand the physical and emotional factors that contribute to sound mental health. Skilled professionals on our staff include adult and child psychiatrists, nurse practitioners, clinical social workers, psychologists, certified alcohol/drug counselors, adult & youth case managers, mediators, attendants and parent/caregiver support workers.

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## ACCESSING SERVICES

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Services are available for all residents of Atchison, Jefferson, and Leavenworth Counties.

Specialized services for children are available for those youth meeting the criteria for serious emotional disturbance (SED) as defined by the State of Kansas. Specialized services for adults are available for those adults meeting the criteria for severe and persistent mental illness (SPMI) as defined by the State of Kansas.

Appointments can be made by calling or by coming in to one of our locations, which ever is more convenient.

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## FEES FOR SERVICES

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Many health insurance plans include coverage for mental health and substance abuse services. The type and extent of mental health coverage may vary greatly. Our staff will be happy to assist you with contacting your insurance provider to determine if the Center is a provider on your plan.

For those individuals who do not have insurance, fees are adjusted based upon family income and family size, with funding made possible by state and local sources.

The Guidance Center will not deny necessary and appropriate services to anyone based solely on the consumer's inability to pay for those services. Fees charged by the Center may be adjusted or reduced in compliance with K.A.R. 30-60-64. Ask to speak with a Clinic Administrator if your fee presents a hardship for you.