

## ***CASSP Principles***

- *Child-centered*
- *Family-focused*
- *Community-based*
- *Multi-system*
- *Culturally competent*
- *Least restrictive / least intrusive*



## **CASSP of Washington County (Child and Adolescent Service System Program)**



***A Collaborative Effort of the following  
Departments of Washington County***

- *Behavioral Health and  
Developmental Services*
- *Substance Abuse*
- *Children and Youth Services*
- *Juvenile Probation Department*
- *School Districts and IU 1*

# What is CASSP?

**CASSP** is an acronym for the **Child and Adolescent Service System Program**. **CASSP** helps children and adolescents with severe emotional challenges gain access to needed services. These services are planned collaboratively with the child's or adolescent's family, the public service providers (Behavioral Health and Developmental Services, Substance Abuse, Children and Youth Services, Juvenile Probation Department), the school and any other services providing support to the child / adolescent and family.

Through the interagency process, **CASSP** convenes a team of the key players to develop a support plan built upon the strengths of the family, and addressing the issues targeted by the family and team.

**CASSP** is also a resource to parents and professionals in Washington County when the "next step" in accessing appropriate services is not known, or has reached a roadblock.

**CASSP** is involved in other initiatives that are supporting children and families in their home environments. Some of these include:

- Washington County Integrated Children's Services Plan (**ICSP**) Steering Committee
- **CASSP** Advisory Board

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