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NRTC will coordinate comprehensive health care for each youth in its care. In coordinating comprehensive health care, NRTC will attempt to arrange for health care from the youth's existing and previous medical providers as well as involve the parent, guardian or custodian in the planning and delivery of health care services. In addition to routine medical, dental or vision care, an assessed need for treatment or diagnostic services which are not included in the current case plan, NRTC will inform the person or agency that placed the youth of this need. NRTC contracts with South Community, Inc. to provide licensed or registered nursing and clinical staff who deliver services within the scope of their practice. If NRTC does not directly employ or contract with a vendor for additional treatment or diagnostic services, NRTC will arrange with the custodial agency or individual for the provision of any needed services.

1. NRTC's Case Manager is responsible for coordinating medical appointments and transportation, in conjunction with the youth's parent/guardian and probation officer. In the event the Case Manager is unavailable, a NRTC probation officer or direct care staff person will assume this responsibility. By Court order, the parent/guardian is responsible for any uninsured medical expenses incurred by the youth.

NRTC will secure a medical screening within 24 hours of the youth's placement to prevent possible transmission of common childhood communicable diseases and to identify any symptoms of illness, injury or maltreatment. They are also screened for potential risk of harm to self or others to determine the need for behavior support and management interventions. The medical screening shall be conducted by one of the following:

1. A licensed physician.
2. An advanced practice nurse.
3. A registered nurse.
4. A licensed practical nurse.
5. A physician's assistant.

NRTC will secure a physical examination no later than five days from the placement date. NRTC can obtain the physical results if the exam was performed within six month prior to admission.

1. Physical examination will be placed in the youth's file.
2. Youth will have a yearly comprehensive examination at minimum. Documentation will be placed in the youth's file. The date of the physical is logged, and an annual exam is obtained when necessary. NRTC will work with the parent/guardian to secure the annual exam.

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All youth will receive a dental exam within one month of placement and a vision screening.

1. A Medical/Dental Appointment form is taken to the appointment with the youth and is signed by the treatment provider. Any complaints regarding healthcare should be referred to the youth's Probation Officer, who will address and attempt to resolve the issue.

Diagnostic services are available to youth entering the program through South Community, Inc.

1. All youth will receive a SAMSHA approved Adverse Childhood Experiences Questionnaire (ACE-Q) and the SOQIC trauma diagnostic assessment within two business days of the youth's admission to the program. Diagnostic assessments are then updated on an as needed basis and at least once every six months. Youth in the 45-day Substance Abuse Program will have their assessments updated prior to discharge.
2. NRTC works with Montgomery County Juvenile Court and the youth's Probation Officer to facilitate additional treatment or diagnostic services when necessary.
3. Any treatment or diagnostic services provided to any youth pursuant to this rule shall be documented in the youth's case record.

Youth may request medical or clinical care at any time. Medical and clinical concerns are discussed with the youth and the appropriate course of treatment is determined by the NRTC staff and parent or guardian. To attend the medical and therapeutic needs of the youth served by NRTC, the facility contracts with South Community, Inc. to provide 24 hour 7 days a week care as needed by registered or licensed nursing and clinical staff only practicing within the scope of their credentials.

1. If the medical or therapeutic concern is requiring immediate care, youth are transported to Dayton Children's Hospital Emergency Room.
2. If the medical or therapeutic concern is requiring further attention but not an emergency, South Community, Inc. staff is accessible 24/7 to come on-site or face-to-face via interactive videoconferencing based on the youth's clinical and/ or medical needs.
3. If the medical or therapeutic concern is not urgent, an appointment is scheduled with the youth's preferred provider or seen by the nurse and or clinical staff during normal scheduled hours.
  - a. A Medical/Dental Appointment form is taken to the appointment with the youth and is signed by the treatment provider. Any complaints regarding healthcare should be referred to the youth's Probation Officer, who will address and attempt to resolve the issue.