

## Use of Separation with Juveniles Proposed Definitions

**Behavior contract** - an agreement between a youth and staff (and sometimes parents/guardian) that serves as a positive reinforcement intervention, with the explicit goal of increasing or decreasing a specific targeted behavior or behaviors.

**Behavioral Health Treatment Plan** - a written plan which specifies the treatment to address the individual behavioral health treatment needs.

**Behavioral Health Care Practitioner** – *See Mental health care practitioner/provider/professional.*

**Behavioral Health Screening** – *See Mental health screening.*

**Behavioral Health Staff** – *See Mental Health Staff.*

**Intensive Behavior Management Plan** - an individualized written plan developed by the youth's service team to address the youth's behavioral problems using planned targeted interventions

**Intensive Behavior Management Program** - a program, that may or may not be on a designated unit, designed to provide increased staff supervision, support, and intervention that manages current behavior and is designed to decrease continued disruptive behavior

**Juvenile Correctional Facility** - secure facilities which are designed and operated to provide rehabilitation and residential services to juveniles adjudicated of an offense or crime.

**Juvenile Detention Facility** - facilities designed and operated to provide temporary care of juveniles who have been adjudicated and/or juveniles alleged to be delinquent who are going through the court process, awaiting placement, or serving a period of separation from the community as ordered by the court that requires secure custody in a physically restricted setting.

**Level of Supervision** - the level of monitoring, contact, management, and control needed to maintain safety based on a youth's level of risk.

**Qualified Mental Health Professional** - *See Mental Health Care Practitioner/Provider/Professional*

**Refocus Area** - a designated place where brief voluntary separation, from the general population may occur. (Refocus Rooms replace the calming, safe and time out areas, and comfort room).

**Safety Assessment** - the process of evaluating a youth's readiness to return to population.

**Special Management Plan** - a special individualized plan developed by the youth's multidisciplinary service team to address the youth's behavioral problems using planned targeted interventions.

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**Specialized Treatment Program** - a program designed to provide increased staff supervision, support, and intervention that will assist in managing current behavior and to decrease the likelihood of future disruptive behavior.

**Specialized Treatment Unit / Intensive Program Unit**: a unit that houses youth whose treatment needs and behavior prevent them from residing with the general population with a goal to re-integrate youth when specific treatment goals are reached.

**Use of Separation** - removal from general population that is involuntarily imposed and is in an area where the youth is without contact with other youth and unable to egress. This does not include situations such as regularly scheduled bed time hours and medically ordered isolation.