



ADMINISTRATIVE RULES OF MONTANA



37.98.1202 SOCIAL SERVICES

- (1) A program shall employ an adequate number of trained professionals to provide the following services for each youth in care:
 - (a) plan for a youth's admission, coordinate the case plan, negotiate for the necessary resources for the youth, and prepare the youth for discharge and return to the family or other placement;
 - (b) serve as advocate for the youth and liaison with the family, the referring party and the community;
 - (c) prepare and maintain all required records and reports regarding the youth;
 - (d) provide post-placement plans and services and make the necessary referrals;
 - (e) assist the youth and staff to adjust to the youth's placement; and
 - (f) record the youth's reactions to the program, school, other youth, staff and family, and participate in staff discussion regarding progress and plans for the youth.
- (2) Those persons providing social services shall meet the following qualifications in addition to the general qualifications for direct care staff:
 - (a) have a bachelors degree in a behavioral science and experience in areas related to youth care or services;
 - (b) have two years of equivalent social services experience for each year of college education; or
 - (c) have an equivalent educational background with development of the necessary skills in social services.

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