

# **NORTH DAKOTA FOSTER CARE RESOURCE DIRECTORY**

*Foster Care*



**Group Homes  
Residential Child Care Facilities  
Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facilities  
And  
Licensed Child Placing Agencies  
For Foster Care**

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Dakota Boys & Girls Ranch Fargo Safe Home	(701) 476-2946	(701) 476-2947
Dakota Boys & Girls Ranch Fargo Youth Home	(701) 237-3123	(701) 237-5711
Eckert Youth Home	(701) 572-7262	(701) 572-8783
Harmony House Group Home	(701) 662-8393	(701) 662-7684
Home on the Range	(701) 872-3745	(701) 872-3748
Lake Oahe Group Home	(701) 854-2094	(701) 854-3643
Kay's Place	(701) 838-5564	(701) 857-8555
Prairie Learning Center	(701) 597-3419	(701) 597-3004

### PSYCHIATRIC RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT FACILITIES

Dakota Boys & Girls Ranch Minot Campus	(701) 852-3628	(701) 839-5541
Dakota Boys & Girls Ranch Fargo Residential Center	(701) 237-3123	(701) 237-4063
Dakota Boys & Girls Ranch Western Plains	(701) 224-1789	(701) 224-1854
Luther Hall	(701) 232-8905	(701) 232-3537
Pride Manchester House	(701) 223-5600	(701) 223-5611
Ruth Meiers Adolescent Center	(701) 795-3870	(701) 795-3899

### LICENSED CHILD PLACING AGENCIES FOR FOSTER CARE

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North Homes, Inc.	(800)770-2102 or (218)791-9277	

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# Group/Residential Child Care Facilities

## Charles Hall Youth Services

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### PROGRAM DIRECTOR:

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### ADMISSIONS COORDINATOR & REFERRAL CONTACT:

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### REFERRAL PROCEDURE:

Refer to website ([www.charleshallyouthservices.com](http://www.charleshallyouthservices.com)); utilize ND Universal application; contact Admissions Coordinator

### AVERAGE LENGTH OF TIME IN CARE (All Children):

4-6 months, with the exception of shelter care which is generally 30 days or less.

### AGENCY DESCRIPTION:

Founded in 1965 as a mission of the United Church of Christ to provide residential services for at-risk youth, Charles Hall Youth Services owns and operates three neighborhood-based group homes in the Bismarck area. Long term and short term group home care is provided for girls and boys, ages 12-17. The agency partners with area schools, agencies/organizations, and medical providers to offer a full-continuum of care and services to youth. Special features of our program include a Gears or levels system, which includes an Honors Gear for youth who progress through the program and maintain strong citizenship and relationship skills. The program uses experiential education to help youth internalize learning objectives and life skills instruction. A full-time teacher is onsite to serve youth with transitional education needs and tutoring. Other special program components include strengths-based and relationship-centered interventions and daily living, arts mentoring, and a cultural liaison for Native American youth and their families.

**PROGRAM/SERVICES PROVIDED BY FACILITY ON-SITE:**

Individual & group counseling	Case Management
Experiential learning	Tutoring/Mentoring
Social skills development & independent life skills	
Spiritual life	Recreation, health & fitness
Arts mentoring	Nurse
Shelter/emergency care	Cultural advisor
Onsite single room classroom	
Community-based services (addiction treatment, psychological and psychiatric services, medical care, family counseling)	

**EDUCATION PROVIDED ON-SITE:**

Youth attend public school in Bismarck/Mandan. Staff attends parent-teacher conferences. On-site, single-room classroom is available for students transitioning into area public school system or when special needs arise. Tutoring and individual assistance are available to all youth in the group home setting. Tutors include certified teachers, as well as volunteers.

**DX ACCEPTED:**

Neglect, physical and/or sexual abuse	Unruliness, delinquency
Substance abuse	Parental conflict
Mental health diagnoses, including conduct disorder, ADHD, depression, bi-polar disorder and phobias.	

**FLEXIBILITY TO MODIFY PROGRAM/SERVICES TO SERVE A CHILD WITH OTHER PROBLEMS/NEEDS:**

Programming is individualized to meet a youth's needs, in consultation with the youth's custodian, family, and other selected professionals.

**TYPE OF CHILD SERVED MOST SUCCESSFULLY, FOR WHICH FACILITY HAS A RECOGNIZED TREATMENT PROGRAM:**

Girls and boys, ages 12-17, suffering from abuse, neglect, unruliness and/or delinquency. Youth must be able to function in an unlocked facility and attend public school.

**PROGRAM MODEL:**

Relationship-based model utilizes house managers, youth coaches, social workers & specialty staff. Standards of practice include: 1) safety first, 2) child centered, 3) solution focused/strengths based, 4) best practices, and 5) hope. Weekly group sessions focus on: 1) character development, 2) conflict resolution, 3) relationships, 4) healthy choices, and 5) other emphases (e.g., grief and loss, academic success, drug and alcohol prevention, cultural diversity, daily living skills). Experiential education is integral to our residential program and promotes positive relationships, resiliency, problem solving and anger management, leadership skills and knowledge of individual strengths. Organizational core values center on mercy, justice and belonging.

**PROGRAM LICENSING:**

Licensed as a residential child care facility by the State of North Dakota, Charles Hall Youth Services maintains a private, non-profit 501(c)3 status.

**SERVICES PROVIDED ELSEWHERE IN THE COMMUNITY:**

- Individual and family counseling by consultant psychologist
- Psychiatric assessment and treatment with licensed psychiatrist
- Chemical dependency treatment
- Physical and sexual abuse treatment
- Medical, including mental health services
- Tracking and diversion services
- Anger management classes
- Education in local schools

**DO NOT ACCEPT:**

- Intoxicated youth
- IQ below 70
- Sexual perpetrators with no documented successful treatment
- Acute psychiatric/unstable behavior
- Chronic substance abuse issues requiring in-patient treatment
- Not all facilities are wheelchair accessible

**PROGRAM CAPACITY:**

27 beds total in 3 group homes in Bismarck community. Two homes serve girls (9 girls per home); one home serves boys (9 in home).

**IQ RANGE:**

70 or above

**AGE AT ADMISSION:**

12-17 years old

**STAFF:**

Co-Executive Directors (one MSW)  
 Three licensed social workers  
 House managers  
 Recreation, health & fitness coordinator  
 Business affairs director  
 Manager, physical operations and safety  
 Coordinator, volunteers and special projects  
 Communications & marketing director  
 Accounting clerk

Program Director (MSW, LCSW)  
 Residential services director  
 Youth Coaches  
 Admissions Coordinator  
 Bookkeeper  
 Executive assistant  
 Transition teacher  
 Foundation associate  
 Cultural liaison

**MEMBERSHIPS/ACCREDITATIONS:**

American Re-EDUCATION Association  
 ND Assn. of Christians in Social Work  
 Business Professional Women/USA  
 Association for Fundraising Professionals  
 Association for Child & Youth Care Practice  
 Council for Health & Human Svcs. Ministries/  
 United Church of Christ  
 National Chaplains Assn for Youth at Risk  
 National Fellowship of Childcare Executives

Theo Art School  
 Youth Work Learning Center  
 Festival of Children Foundation  
 ND children’s Caucus  
 National Assn. of Social Workers  
 ND Assn. of Nonprofit Organizations  
 Missouri Slope Areawide United Way  
 ND Conference of Social Welfare  
 ND Homeless Coalition

ND Assn. of Residential Child Care Facilities    Reclaiming Youth International  
The Teel Institute for Development of  
Integrity & Ethical Behavior (Kansas City)

**LICENSES:**

ND Department of Human Services as a Residential Child Care Facility.

**NO REJECT/NO EJECT POLICY:**

No set policy. However, the following situations (documented in discharge policy) may warrant automatic transfer: 1) violent behavior toward self or others, or 2) destruction of CHYS property. If a youth threatens to harm self or others, in-patient psychiatric services are available. Runaways may be readmitted if it is felt risk is decreased. Law enforcement may be called if child is aggressive/assaultive.

**Dakota Boys & Girls Ranch (DBGR)  
RCCF – Minot Campus**

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Jane Brown, Chief Operations Officer

**PROGRAM DIRECTOR:**

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**REFERRAL PROCEDURE**

Completion of the North Dakota Universal Application for Residential Services is required. A complete referral/application for services will include in addition to the Universal Application: current DSM-IV diagnosis (on all five axis), current medications (times and doses), educational records; i.e. IEP, 504 plan, transcripts, disciplinary documentation, available psychological testing; i.e. WISC, CPT, TOVA, IVA, MMPI, MACI, available prior psychiatric evaluations, available substance abuse evaluations, available records and discharge summaries from previous treatment experiences, court order (if applicable), chronological list of past treatment experiences, Medicaid eligibility information or third party insurance information.

**AVERAGE LENGTH OF TIME IN CARE (All Children)**

Length of stays range from 6-10 months, and are dependent on the needs of the child and family.

**AGENCY DESCRIPTION:**

Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch (DBGR), Minot, is a co-ed RCCF facility with total capacity for 39 youth. Program specializations include sexual responsibility programming for boys (Thatcher Cottage), and addiction programming for boys (Recovery program at the Minot Community Youth Home). Educational services are provided by Dakota Memorial School (DMS), an on-campus school located in Bismarck and Minot. DMS provides an array of educational services to students in the region, with the ability to serve grades 1-12. In addition to regular educational services, students' special needs are also accommodated at DMS. Students are also able to receive high school credit and diplomas. DMS is accredited by the North Dakota Department of Public Instruction and the North Central Association Commission on Accreditation and School Improvement.

**PROGRAM/SERVICES PROVIDED BY FACILITY ON-SITE:**

DBGR offers psychiatric residential treatment for emotional and behavioral issues; substance abuse issues; issues related to physical, sexual, and emotional abuse; attention difficulties; autistic spectrum disorders; sexual responsibility issues; and academic difficulties. Youth receive in-depth individual and group therapy and their families are integrated into treatment through family therapy. DBGR also seeks to provide an individualized spiritual foundation for each resident.

**DX ACCEPTED:**

- Mood disorders
- Dissociative Disorders
- Anxiety Disorders
- Attachment Issues
- Learning Disorders
- Substance Abuse Issues (co-existing with other disorders)
- Conduct disorder and oppositional defiant disorder co-existing with other diagnosis
- \* Personality disorders
- \* Eating disorders
- \* Adjustment Disorders
- \* Parent-Child Relationship Problems
- \* Behavioral & Impulse Control Issues

**FLEXIBILITY TO MODIFY PROGRAM/SERVICES TO SERVE A CHILD WITH OTHER PROBLEMS/NEEDS:**

Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch strives to meet the individual challenges of each resident in care and his/her family. The availability and scope of community resources allows for innovative and creative treatment planning.

**TYPE OF CHILD SERVED MOST SUCCESSFULLY, FOR WHICH FACILITY HAS A RECOGNIZED TREATMENT PROGRAM:**

Youth served most successfully at Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch, Minot, are those individuals who demonstrate a willingness to change, are able to develop relationships with staff and peers, have family involvement, and who are able to benefit from a cognitive behavioral approach to treatment.

**PROGRAM MODEL:**

Therapeutically, the clinicians at DBGR focus on the individual needs of clients and consider the most efficacious course of treatment for both individual and group therapy provision. In addition to Cognitive Behavior Therapy, staff are trained in and utilize Dialectical Behavior Therapy, Structured Psychotherapy for Adolescents

Responding to Chronic Stress (SPARCS), Trauma Focused Cognitive Behavior Therapy, and Motivational Enhancement Techniques. Programs at DBGR provide individual and group psychotherapy, and work to integrate these skills and concepts into the daily milieu. In addition, the use of behavior modification principles continues to be a primary guiding force in the therapeutic milieu.

**SERVICES PROVIDED ELSEWHERE IN THE COMMUNITY:**

Medical and dental services provided in the community.

**PROGRAM CAPACITY:**

39 beds, male and female

**IQ RANGE:**

80 and above (exceptions may be made on an individual basis)

**AGE AT ADMISSION:**

10-17

**STAFF:**

- Director of Clinical Services
- Psychiatrist
- Psychologist
- Recreation specialist
- Direct care: Residential Treatment Advisors
- Education staff
- Therapists
- Case managers
- Nursing staff
- Spiritual life specialists

**MEMBERSHIPS/ACCREDITATIONS:**

- CARF (Commission on the Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities)
- Alliance for Children & Families
- Lutheran Services of America
- AACRC (American Association of Children's Residential Center)
- North Dakota RCCF Association

**LICENSURE:**

Licensed by the North Dakota Department of Human Services as a Residential Child Care Facility.

**NO REJECT/NO EJECT POLICY:**

Through the continuum of care offered by DBGR, the Admissions and Discharge Team, in concert with the clinical team, is able to leverage the levels of care to best address the needs of current residents and potential admits.

All options within our continuum of care will be exhausted before a child would be discharged from the program.

## **Dakota Boys & Girls Ranch (DBGR) Fargo Safe Home**

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Jane Brown, Chief Operation Officer

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### **REFERRAL PROCEDURE**

Completion of the Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch (DBGR) Safe Home admissions packet. Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch recognizes with the crisis nature of shelter care placement that all supporting documentation may not be immediately available. When possible, other supporting documentation such as available educational records, available psychological testing, available psychiatric evaluations, available substance abuse evaluations, records from out-patient treatment experiences, available records and discharge summaries from previous treatment experiences, court order (if applicable), and chronological list of past treatment experiences are useful and necessary in the determination of services.

### **AVERAGE LENGTH OF TIME IN CARE (All Children)**

Short-term shelter care, maximum of 30 days.

**AGENCY DESCRIPTION:** Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch Safe Home is a 24-hour shelter care facility for children who are between the ages of five and seventeen. The children may be placed they are involved with family and protective custody divisions. The children must be in custody of county social services, tribal social services or the division of juvenile services.

### **PROGRAM/SERVICES PROVIDED BY FACILITY ON-SITE:**

- Residents maintain their current educational programming if they are from the Fargo area. A tutor may need to be accessed by contacting the Fargo Public School/Rivers Edge Program if they are from outside the Fargo Public School area.

- Family centered approach.
- Spiritual Life group onsite.

**EDUCATION PROVIDED ON-SITE:**

Education programming is provided by the Fargo Public School system if the resident is from the Fargo area. If individualized educational programming is required, a tutor may need to be accessed by contacting the Fargo Public School/Rivers Edge Program.

**DIAGNOSIS ACCEPTED:**

- Mood disorders
- Dissociative Disorders
- Anxiety Disorders
- Attachment Issues
- Learning disorders
- Substance Abuse issues (co-existing with other disorders)
- Conduct disorder & oppositional defiant disorder co-existing with other diagnosis  
(Depending on child’s needs, discretion may be used)
- \* Personality Disorders
- \* Eating Disorders
- \* Adjustment disorders
- \* Parent-Child Relationship Problems
- \* Behavioral & Impulse Control Issues

**FLEXIBILITY TO MODIFY PROGRAM/SERVICES TO SERVE A YOUTH WITH OTHER PROBLEMS/NEEDS:**

Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch Fargo Safe Home strives to meet the shelter care needs of each resident referred to our care.

**TYPE OF YOUTH SERVED MOST SUCCESSFULLY, FOR WHICH FACILITY HAS A RECOGNIZED TREATMENT PROGRAM:**

Youth served most successfully at the Fargo Safe Home are those individuals who are in need of temporary emergency placement and are involved with child protective services. The Safe Home has also served pregnant females on a case by case basis.

**MEMBERSHIPS/ACCREDITATIONS:**

CARF (Commission on the Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities)  
 Alliance for Children and Families  
 Lutheran Services of America  
 AACRC (American Association of Children’s Residential Center)  
 North Dakota RCCF Association

**LICENSURE:**

Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch Fargo Safe Home is licensed by the North Dakota Department of Human Services as a Residential Child Care Facility (RCCF).

**SERVICES PROVIDED ELSEWHERE IN THE COMMUNITY:**

- Utilization of Partial Day Program
- Fargo Public Schools
- Medical and dental

**CANNOT ACCEPT:**

Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch Fargo Safe Home cannot accept for placement those individuals who post an extreme safety risk to self or others, or who require

extensive nursing care. Individuals who are under the influence of drugs or alcohol, actively psychotic, suicidal, homicidal or violent would be referred to the appropriate level of care. Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch Fargo Safe Home will review each candidate individually to ensure that we can provide an appropriate level of care to meet the individual's needs. When Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch Safe Home determines that we are unable to safely meet the needs of the individual, we reserve the right to deny admission. In the event of a denial, recommendations for an appropriate level of care will be made.

**PROGRAM CAPACITY:**

Capacity for 8 youth—female and male

**IQ RANGE:**

80 and above (exceptions may be made on an individual basis)

**AGE AT ADMISSION:**

5-17

**STAFF:**

- Director of Clinical Services
- Direct care: Residential Treatment Advisors
- Nursing staff
- Spiritual life specialists

**NO REJECT/NO EJECT POLICY:**

Modifications are made as necessary to continue to meet the needs of the individuals in our care, provided the level of acuity remains appropriate for this setting.

## **Dakota Boys & Girls Ranch (DBGR) Fargo Youth Home**

### **ADDRESS:**

1641 31st Ave S  
Fargo ND 58103  
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Jane Brown, Chief Operation Officer

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### **REFERRAL PROCEDURE:**

Completion of the North Dakota Universal Application for Residential Services is required. A complete referral/application for services will include in addition to the Universal Application: current DSM-IV diagnosis (on all five axis), current medications (times and doses), educational records (IEP, 504 plan, transcripts, disciplinary documentation), available psychological testing (WICS, CPT, TOVA, IVA, MMPI, MACI), available prior psychiatric evaluations, available substance abuse evaluations, available records and discharge summaries from previous treatment experiences, court order (if applicable), chronological list of past treatment experiences, and Medicaid eligibility information.

### **AVERAGE LENGTH OF TIME IN CARE (All Children)**

Length of stays range from 6-10 months, and are dependent upon the needs of the child and family.

### **AGENCY DESCRIPTION:**

Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch Fargo Youth Home is a co-ed facility with a capacity for 10 youth. The Fargo Youth Home is located in a south Fargo residential neighborhood. Youth receive on-site clinical services as well as supplemental clinical and medical services available in the community. Educational services are provided through a contractual arrangement with Fargo Public Schools. The educational needs of the youth served may be met in the Rivers Edge on-site classroom, public school setting, or a combination of the two. Recreational/wellness

opportunities are offered through DBGR, Fargo Public Schools and community resources.

### **PROGRAM/SERVICES PROVIDED BY FACILITY ON-SITE**

Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch offers treatment for emotional and behavioral issues; substance abuse issues; issues related to physical, sexual, and emotional abuse; attention difficulties; autistic spectrum disorders; sexual responsibility issues; and academic difficulties. Youth receive in-depth individual and group therapy and their families are integrated into treatment through family therapy. DBGR also seeks to provide an individualized spiritual foundation for each resident.

### **EDUCATION PROVIDED ON-SITE**

Educational services are provided through a contractual agreement with Fargo Public Schools. The educational needs of the youth served can be met in the River's Edge on-site classroom, public school setting or a combination of the two.

### **DIAGNOSIS ACCEPTED:**

- Mood disorders
- Dissociative Disorders
- Anxiety Disorders
- Attachment Issues
- Learning disorders
- Substance Abuse issues (co-existing with other disorders)
- Conduct disorder & oppositional defiant disorder co-existing with other diagnosis
- \* Personality Disorders
- \* Eating Disorders
- \* Adjustment disorders
- \* Parent-Child Relationship Problems
- \* Behavioral & Impulse Control Issues

### **FLEXIBILITY TO MODIFY PROGRAM/SERVICES TO SERVE A CHILD WITH OTHER PROBLEMS/NEEDS:**

Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch Fargo Youth Home strives to meet the individual challenges of each resident in care and his/her family. The availability and scope of internal and community resources allows for innovative and creative treatment planning.

### **TYPE OF CHILD SERVED MOST SUCCESSFULLY, FOR WHICH FACILITY HAS A RECOGNIZED TREATMENT PROGRAM:**

Youth served most successfully at the Fargo Youth Home are those individuals who demonstrate a willingness to change, are able to develop relationships with staff and peers, have family involvement and who are able to benefit from a cognitive behavioral approach to treatment.

### **PROGRAM MODEL:**

Therapeutically, the clinicians at DBGR focus on the individual needs of clients and consider the most efficacious course of treatment for both individual and group therapy provision. In addition to Cognitive Behavior Therapy, staff are trained in and utilize Dialectical Behavior Therapy, Structured Psychotherapy for Adolescents Responding to Chronic Stress (SPARCS), Trauma Focused Cognitive Behavior Therapy, and Motivational Enhancement Techniques. Programs at DBGR provide individual and group psychotherapy, and work to integrate these skills and concepts into the daily milieu. In addition, the use of behavior modification principles continues to be a primary guiding force in the therapeutic milieu.

**SERVICES PROVIDED ELSEWHERE IN THE COMMUNITY:**

Medical and dental services provided in the community.

**CANNOT ACCEPT:**

Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch Fargo Youth Home cannot accept for placement those individuals who pose an extreme safety risk to self or others, or who require extensive nursing care. Individuals who are actively psychotic, suicidal, homicidal or violent would be referred to the appropriate level of care. Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch Fargo Youth Home will review each candidate individually to ensure that we can provide an appropriate level of care to meet the individual’s needs. When Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch determines that we are unable to safely meet the needs of the individual, we reserve the right to deny admission. In the event of a denial, recommendations for appropriate level of care will be made.

**PROGRAM CAPACITY:**

10 BEDS—Female and Male

**IQ RANGE:**

80 and above (exceptions may be made on an individual basis)

**AGE AT ADMISSION:**

11 – 17 (need to be in at least the 6<sup>th</sup> grade)

**STAFF:**

- Director of Clinical Services
  - Recreation specialist
  - Direct care: Residential Treatment Advisors
  - Case managers
  - Spiritual life specialists
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- \* Psychologist
  - \* Therapists
  - \* Nursing staff

**MEMBERSHIPS/ACCREDITATION**

CARF (Commission on the Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities)  
Alliance for Children and Families  
Lutheran Services of America  
AACRC (American Association of Children’s Residential Center  
North Dakota RCCF Association

**LICENSURE:**

Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch Fargo Youth Home is licensed by the North Dakota Department of Human Services as a Residential Child Care Facility (RCCF).

**NO REJECT/NO EJECT POLICY:**

Through the continuum of care offered by DBGR, the Admissions and Discharge Team, in concert with the clinical team, is able to leverage the levels of care to best address the needs of current residents and potential admits. All options within our continuum of care will be exhausted before a child would be discharged from the program.

**Dakota Boys & Girls Ranch (DBGR)**  
**Minot Community Youth Home**

(See Dakota Boys & Girls Ranch – Minot Campus

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Minot ND 58703

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## **Eckert Youth Homes**

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Don Pitman

### **PROGRAM DIRECTOR/REFERRAL CONTACT:**

Karen Luther

### **REFERRAL PROCEDURE**

Send North Dakota Application for Residential Services along with social history, diagnostic and educational information and court order. Reply will be given shortly.

**AVERAGE LENGTH OF TIME IN CARE (All Children):** 6-9 Months

### **AGENCY DESCRIPTION:**

Provide group home care for 14 youth (2 homes for girls) ages 12-18 of average physical and mental abilities who for various reasons including school, family, and/or legal problems are unable to remain in a parental or family foster care setting.

### **PROGRAM/SERVICES PROVIDED BY FACILITY ON-SITE:**

- Educational (tutors) and spiritual
- In-home licensed social workers
- Therapy (group, individual, independent living skills)
- Family component
- Husband and wife house parenting staff (24 hours days)
- Open residential group home care, 6-9 months average

### **EDUCATION PROVIDED ON-SITE:**

- Residents attend public schools
- On-site tutors are available on a daily basis

### **DX ACCEPTED:**

- Conduct disorder
- Oppositional defiant
- ADD
- ADHD
- Learning disabilities
- Addiction
- Mood disorders

### **FLEXIBILITY TO MODIFY PROGRAM/SERVICES TO SERVE A CHILD WITH OTHER PROBLEMS/NEEDS:**

Will consider any child 12-18 able to attend public school.

**TYPE OF CHILD SERVED MOST SUCCESSFULLY, FOR WHICH FACILITY HAS A RECOGNIZED TREATMENT PROGRAM:**

Previously adjudicated as unruly, deprived, some delinquent behaviors (i.e. vandalism, shoplifting, and burglary).

**PROGRAM MODEL:**

Use a combination model, including principles of EQUIP, character building, and behavioral modification with emphasis on balance between high accountability and nurturing support.

**LICENSING/APPROVAL/ACCREDITATION ENTITY FOR THE PROGRAM:**

Residential Child Care Facility licensed by the ND Department of Human Services.

**SERVICES PROVIDED ELSEWHERE IN THE COMMUNITY:**

Addiction treatment through Northwest Human Service Center, AA & NA groups, therapy & group work through Northwest Human Service Center including psychological and psychiatric services. Secure setting, if needed, through Northwest Youth Assessment Center.

**DO NOT ACCEPT:**

- Youth unable to attend Public Schools
- Aggressive behavior toward other persons (violence)
- Pattern of sex offender

**PROGRAM CAPACITY:**

14 beds for females

**IQ RANGE:**

70+ (Will consider lower)

**AGE AT ADMISSION:**

12 and over

**STAFF:**

- Husband and wife house parenting staff teams (24-hour shift)
- In-house social workers
- Tutors (PT)
- Administrator
- Program Director
- Spiritual Life Director
- Summer Work Program Coordinator

**MEMBERSHIPS/ACCREDITATIONS:**

- North Dakota Conference of Social Welfare (NDCSW)
- North Dakota RCCF Association

**LICENSES:**

Licensed by the Department of Human Services as a residential child care facility.

## Harmony House Group Home

### ADDRESS:

1601 College Dr NW  
Devils Lake ND 58301  
Phone: (701) 662-8393  
Fax: (701) 662-7684

### ADMINISTRATOR:

Julie Mehlhoff  
[Julie.mehlhoff@sendit.nodak.edu](mailto:Julie.mehlhoff@sendit.nodak.edu)

### REERRAL CONTACTS:

Becky Carow  
Nancy Thompson

### REFERRAL PROCEDURE

Completed group home application, current IEP and psychological, and court order should be mailed to Harmony House.

### AVERAGE LENGTH OF TIME IN CARE (All Children)

12 months

### AGENCY DESCRIPTION:

Harmony House is a 24-hour group care program for students living within the Lake Regional Special Education service jurisdiction. The program is designed to meet the needs of students with emotional or behavioral disorders.

### PROGRAM/SERVICSE PROVIDED BY FACILITY ONSITE:

Harmony House has a structured levels system, that provides behavior management. Independent Living and social skills are taught. Weekly group sessions on anger management, self-esteem and problem solving are led by a licensed social worker.

### EDUCATION PROVIDED ONSITE:

None. Students attend Devils Lake Public Schools.

### DX ACCEPTED:

Depression, anxiety, personality disorders and other diagnosis that affect the student's ability to perform at school and home successfully.

### FLEXIBILITY TO MODIFY PROGRAM/SERVICES TO SERVE A CHILD WITH OTHER PROBLEM/NEEDS:

Harmony House has special modifications for lower functioning students with emotional problems.

**TYPE OF CHILD SERVED MOST SUCCESSFULLY, FOR WHICH FACILITY HAS A RECOGNIZED TREATMENT PROGRAM:**

Students of middle school age with severe academic problems, along with the emotional and behavioral concerns.

**PROGRAM MODEL:**

The program is based on a positive educational model and social skills training.

**PROGRAM LICENSING:**

NA

**SERVICES PROVIDED ELSEWHERE IN THE COMMUNITY:**

- Lake Region Human Service Center
- Village Family Services
- Volk Human Service Center

**DO NOT ACCEPT:**

Students who are in need of drug and alcohol treatment or who are suicidal.

**PROGRAM CAPACITY:**

7 beds-4 male and 3 female

**IQ RANGE:**

70 and above

**AGE AT ADMISSION:**

8-20

**STAFF:**

2 full-time licensed social workers  
1 part-time licensed social worker  
3 full-time child care workers  
1 part-time school psychologist

**MEMBERSHIPS/ACCREDITATIONS:**

None

**LICENSES:**

ND Department of Human Services licensure as a group home.

**NO REJECT/NO EJECT POLICY:**

No

## Home on the Range (HOTR)

### ADDRESS:

16351 I 94  
Sentinel Butte ND 58654  
Phone: (701) 872-3745  
Fax: (701) 872-3748  
Website: [www.gohotr.org](http://www.gohotr.org)

### EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:

Jay Johnson, MSW, LICSW

### CLINICAL DIRECTOR:

Mike Gooch, LICSW

### REERRAL CONTACT:

Michelle Swanson, LSW  
[michellehotr@hotmail.com](mailto:michellehotr@hotmail.com)

### REFERRAL PROCEDURE

Referrals will be reviewed the same day they are received.

### AVERAGE LENGTH OF TIME IN CARE (All Children)

6-10 months, depending on the motivation of the child to complete the program.

### AGENCY DESCRIPTION:

Home on the Range (HOTR), established in 1950, is a private non-profit licensed, COA accredited, residential child care facility. HOTR provides a 24-hour therapeutic environment for disadvantaged, unruly, delinquent, and problematic youth. Services to children and families, leadership in the child care field, and the conviction to making a healthier and stronger world, characterize the HOTR philosophy. This philosophy is built on a foundation of Christian values and attempts to bring healing to families.

### PROGRAM/SERVICES PROVIDED BY FACILITY ON-SITE:

- Boys Town Social Skills Training is the primary teaching tool used in teaching behaviors. This includes pre-teaching and role playing appropriate behaviors. There is a strong emphasis placed on rewarding appropriate behaviors as well as remediating inappropriate behaviors.
- Anger Management
- Cognitive Principles & Restructuring
- Values & Choices
- Licensed Low Intensity Drug & Alcohol
- Drug & Alcohol Education
- Recovery & Relapse Prevention
- Substance Abuse Recognition
- Spiritual Programming
- Cultural Diversity
- Family Dynamics

- Individual Family Sessions
- Strengthening Family Workshops
- Animal Assisted Therapy
- Therapy with LICSW is available

**EDUCATION PROVIDED ON-SITE:**

The on-site day treatment classroom is staffed by Beach High School. The students may progress into the Beach High School Day Treatment Program and/or mainstream classroom. Most residents attend public school in Beach. Independent Living Skills group is offered through the Beach High School. We are also able to accept youth with a high school diploma or GED.

**DIAGNOSIS ACCEPTED:**

HOTR programming is designed for youth who can function within an unlocked residential setting. Youth placed at HOTR have typically experienced a variety of issues including family discord, peer conflicts, anger management, academic problems, chemical dependency issues, depression, anxiety, abuse/neglect issues, and behavioral disorders. HOTR also works with other mental health diagnoses providing that the youth is doing well on medications and is able to function in a less structured program versus a psychiatric placement.

**FLEXIBILITY TO MODIFY PROGRAM/SERVICES TO SERVE A CHILD WITH OTHER PROBLEMS/NEEDS:**

- Short-term structure (STS) is designed to meet the needs of youth who are demonstrating short term therapeutic needs..

**TYPE OF CHILD SERVED MOST SUCCESSFULLY, FOR WHICH FACILITY HAS A RECOGNIZED TREATMENT PROGRAM:**

- Children with drug and alcohol issues.

**PROGRAM MODEL:**

- Social skills training
- Educational
- Group, individual & family therapy
- Low intensity chemical dependency program
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**PROGRAM LICENSING:**

- North Dakota Department of Human Services license for the Low Intensity Chemical Dependency Program.
- Accredited through the Council on Accreditation.

**SERVICES PROVIDED ELSEWHERE IN THE COMMUNITY:**

Some therapeutic services are provided through Badlands Human Service Center. Medication management is available through St. Alexius Telemed System. Psychological evaluations are also available through St. Alexius.

**DO NOT ACCEPT:**

Danger to self or others to the point that youth cannot be kept safe or others kept safe from them.

**PROGRAM CAPACITY:**

62 – male and female

**IQ RANGE:**

Children must be able to utilize verbal therapy and understand cause and effect.

**AGE AT ADMISSION:**

12- 18

**STAFF:**

- Executive Director
- Clinical Director
- Quality Services Director
- Ranch Manager
- Admission Director
- Youth Minister
- Education Coordinator
- Registered Nurse
- Licensed Independent Clinical Social Workers
- Licensed Social Workers
- Licensed Addiction Counselor
- Residential Specialists
- Activity Director

**MEMBERSHIPS/ACCREDITATIONS**

Council on Accreditation (COA)

Child Welfare League of America (CWLA)

North Dakota Residential Child Care Facilities Association (RCCF)

**LICENSES:**

Licensed by the North Dakota Department of Human Services to operate a Residential Child Care Facility

**NO REJECT/NO EJECT**

Runaways from HOTR are evaluated on an individual basis and may or may not be accepted back into care. Physically aggressive/assaultive behavior toward staff and/or residents is also evaluated on an individual basis and the youth may or may not be allowed to remain in care. The resident would then be assessed on an ongoing basis to determine appropriateness of placement or need of a more structured setting (correctional, psychiatric, etc.).

## **Lake Oahe Group Home of Standing Rock Nation**

### **ADDRESS:**

PO Box 176  
Ft Yates ND 58538  
Phone: (701) 854-2094  
Fax: (701) 854-3643

### **ADMINISTRATOR:**

Evelyn Faye Foote  
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### **REFERRAL CONTACT:**

Evelyn Faye Foote

### **REFERRAL PROCEDURE**

Contact Lake Oahe and give brief history to Administrator and Social Worker.

### **AVERAGE LENGTH OF TIME IN CARE (All Children)**

8-10 months

### **AGENCY DESCRIPTION:**

Lake Oahe is a non-profit group home, which serves children age 12-17.

### **EDUCATION PROVIDED ONSITE:**

No.

### **PROGRAM/SERVICES PROVIDED BY FACILITY ONSITE:**

- Family Counseling
- Structure
- Anger Management
- Separation Issues

### **DX ACCEPTED:**

- Oppositional Defiant
- Inhalant Abuse
- Depression
- Hyperactive (ADHD)
- Alcohol Addiction
- Sexually Abused Child

### **FLEXIBILITY TO MODIFY PROGRAM/SERVICSE TO SERVE A CHILD WITH OTHER PROBLEMS/NEEDS:**

No.

**TYPE OF YOUTH SERVED MOST SUCCESSFULLY, FOR WHICH FACILITY HAS A RECOGNIZED TREATMENT PROGRAM:**

Providing structure and working closely with school on truancy problems.  
Monitoring family contact.

**PROGRAM MODEL:**

NA

**PROGRAM LICENSING:**

NA

**SERVICES PROVIDED ELSEWHERE IN THE COMMUNITY:**

- Mental Health
- Alcohol Addiction
- Inhalant

**DO NOT ACCEPT:**

- Suicidal
- Severe aggressiveness
- Perpetrators
- Facility is not handicap accessible

**PROGRAM CAPACITY:**

8 beds-4 male and 4 female

**IQ RANGE:**

NA

**AGE AT ADMISSION:**

12-17

**STAFF:**

- 1 BS Administrator
- 1 Licensed Social Worker
- 2 Residential Technicians AA
- 5 Residential Aides
- 2 Staff: 8 Children

**MEMBERSHIPS:**

NA

**LICENSES:**

Approved through North Dakota Department of Human Services as a group home for the tribe.

**NO REJECT/NO EJECT POLICY:**

None

## **KAY'S PLACE**

### **ADDRESS:**

1325 17<sup>TH</sup> Ave SW  
Minot, ND 58701  
Phone: (701)838-5564  
NCHSC Fax: (701)857-8555

### **ADMINISTRATOR:**

Tracey Olson

### **REFERRAL CONTACT:**

Tracey Olson

### **REFERRAL PROCEDURE**

Send North Dakota Application for Residential Services along with educational information and court order.

**AVERAGE LENGTH OF TIME IN CARE (All Children):** 3 months

### **AGENCY DESCRIPTION:**

Kay's Place provides residential services to adolescent females who are pregnant, are in need of residential services through an order of the Court for short-term foster care, or are in need of transitioning services; as well as arranging for educational and treatment services as requested. The home provides the residents with structure, supervision, and utilizes resources in the surrounding community.

### **EDUCATION:**

Education services are coordinated through Minot Public Schools. On-site tutoring may be arranged if appropriate.

### **PROGRAM/SERVICES PROVIDED BY FACILITY ON-SITE (Including those at North Central Human Service Center)**

Independent Living Skills Program	Individual, Family, and Group
Health Education	Therapy
Recreational Activities	Social Skills
Psychiatric Services	Labor Coach – for pregnant teens
Outpatient Drug and Alcohol Treatment	
Transition Program – individualized according to each youth's case plan	
Educational Services – coordinated with Minot Public Schools	
Behavior Management – techniques are individualized according to each youth's case plan.	

### **DX ACCEPTED:**

Oppositional defiant disorder & conduct disorder	
Neglect, physical and/or sexual abuse	Parental Conflict
Unruliness, delinquency	Pregnancy
Substance Abuse	Mental Health Diagnoses

**FLEXIBILITY TO MODIFY PROGRAM/SERVICES TO SERVE CHILD WITH OTHER PROBLEM/NEEDS:**

Kay's Place's primary focus is pregnant teens, short-term foster care, and transitioning youth. The pregnant teens may reside at Kay's Place throughout the term of their pregnancy.

**TYPE OF CHILD SERVED MOST SUCCESSFULLY FOR WHICH FACILITY HAS A RECOGNIZED TREATMENT PROGRAM:**

Pregnant teens and children who need a less restrictive placement.

**PROGRAM MODEL:**

The program uses a variety of behavioral techniques depending upon the needs of the children.

**PROGRAM LICENSING:**

NA

**SERVICES PROVIDED ELSEWHERE IN THE COMMUNITY:**

Outpatient counseling, psychiatric and chemical dependency services are available through North Central Human Service Center. Other community services include private in-patient, chemical dependency services, mental health, and partial hospitalization. Support groups (AA, NA), education, social and recreation activities, and health care are available in the community.

**DO NOT ACCEPT:**

Severe aggressive behavior.

**PROGRAM CAPACITY:**

7 females

**IQ RANGE:**

70 and above

**AGE AT ADMISSION:**

12—17

**STAFF:**

1 Administrator  
1 Licensed Social Worker  
9 Residential Staff

**MEMBERSHIPS/ACCREDITATIONS:** None

**LICENSES:**

Licensed by the North Dakota Department of Human Services as a Residential Child Care Facility.

## **PRAIRIE LEARNING CENTER (PLC)**

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Raleigh ND 58564-4103  
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Email: [plc@westriv.com](mailto:plc@westriv.com)  
Website: [www.prairielearningcenter.org](http://www.prairielearningcenter.org)

### **ADMINISTRATOR:**

David J. Marion  
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### **PROGRAM DIRECTOR & REFERRAL CONTACT:**

Nicole Delaplane, LSW  
[ndlsw@yahoo.com](mailto:ndlsw@yahoo.com)

### **REFERRAL PROCEDURE**

This process begins with a phone call by a referral source requesting available bed space. An application is submitted consisting of a PLC referral form or universal application. Included in the referral is the court order, payment responsibility, medical information, school records and transcript, psychological evaluations and any discharge reports of previous placements. The referral is screened by a committee who either accepts or denies, depending on information received and child appropriateness. The Program Director notifies the referral source of the committee's decision and sets up admit if accepted.

### **AVERAGE LENGTH OF TIME IN CARE (All Children)**

5 ½ months

### **AGENCY DESCRIPTION:**

PLC is a private, non-profit residential child care facility providing a 24/7 group living program to accommodate, in a structured environment, the needs of at-risk youth with educational, behavioral, deprivation, unruliness or delinquency related problems.

### **PROGRAM/SERVICES PROVIDED BY FACILITY ON-SITE:**

- Individual and group counseling
- Drug/alcohol treatment, low intensity in a residential setting
- Drug/alcohol education
- Individual athletic training; special recreational programming
- Parenting Workshops
- Equip & Mutual self help groups
- Independent living skills
- Social skills
- Refocus Program
- Grief Groups
- Anger Management

- Horsemanship Program

**EDUCATION PROVIDED ON-SITE:**

Approved on-site educational program; child's school district is contacted to set up each resident's education plan.

**DX ACCEPTED:**

- Adjustment disorders
- Substance abuse & dependence
- Anxiety disorder
- ADHD, bi-polar disorder (stabilized on medications—adolescent anti-social disorder)
- Conduct disorder
- Dysthymic disorder
- Impulse control disorder
- Intermittent explosive disorder
- Learning disorder
- Major depressive disorder (mild in partial or full remission)
- Mood disorder
- Narcissistic personality disorder
- Oppositional defiant disorder
- Reading disorder
- Schizophrenia (stabilized on medication)
- Sibling relational problem
- Somatization disorder

**FLEXIBILITY TO MODIFY PROGRAM/SERVICES TO SERVE A CHILD WITH OTHER PROBLEM/NEEDS:**

Program flexibility to meet child's needs planned with clinical team.

**TYPE OF CHILD SERVED MOST SUCCESSFULLY, FOR WHICH FACILITY HAS A RECOGNIZED TREATMENT PROGRAM:**

The children we serve most successfully are behavior modification, cognitive, drug/alcohol abuse/dependence, needy.

**PROGRAM MODEL:**

Program models used are behavior modification, reality/control theory, low intensity outpatient, intensive outpatient, Equip, family services.

**PROGRAM LICENSING:**

- D/A License
- Common Sense Parenting
- RT/CT Certification
- EQUIP Program

**SERVICES PROVIDED ELSEWHERE IN THE COMMUNITY:**

TELEMED on grounds with Archway Mental Health for psychological/psychiatric evaluations/sessions, medication monitoring, individual psychological therapy, family therapy, continued sexual abuse/perpetration therapy sessions after completing sexual abuse treatment.

**PROGRAM CAPACITY:**

50 beds—Male

**DO NOT ACCEPT:**

We do not accept sexual offending adolescents who have not successfully completed sexual abuse treatment, a client who needs residential treatment and clients who have severe learning problems, low IQ or severe aggression.

**IQ RANGE:**

70 and up

**AGE AT ADMISSION:**

12—18

**STAFF:**

- Executive Director
- Program Director
- 4 LSW social worker/case managers
- 2 Licensed Addiction Counselors (1 Clinical Supervisor)
- 29 Resident Specialists
- 2 Transport staff who schedule appointments
- 14 Education staff
- 4 Office staff
- 10 Ancillary staff

**MEMBERSHIPS/ACCREDITATIONS:**

- North Dakota Non-Profit Association
- Dakota Social Welfare Conference
- Association of Residential Treatment Centers

**LICENSES:**

- Licensed by North Dakota Department of Human Services as a Residential Child Care Facility;
- Drug & Alcohol License

**NO REJECT/NO EJECT POLICY:**

Consideration on individual basis by screening committee.

# Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facilities

## Dakota Boys & Girls Ranch Minot (DBGR)

### ADDRESS:

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Minot ND 58703  
Phone: (701) 852-3628  
Fax: (701) 839-5541

Agency website: [www.dakotaranch.org](http://www.dakotaranch.org)

### ADMINISTRATOR:

Gene Kaseman, President  
Jane Brown, Chief Operations Officer

### PROGRAM DIRECTOR:

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(701)799-1969  
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### REFERRAL PROCEDURE

Completion of the North Dakota Universal Application for Residential Services is required. A complete referral/application for services will include, in addition to the Universal Application: current DSM IV diagnosis (on all five axis), current medications (times and doses), educational records; i.e. IEP, 504 plan, transcripts, disciplinary documentation, available psychological testing; i.e. WISC, CPT, TOVA, IVA, MMPI, MACI, available prior psychiatric evaluations, available substance abuse evaluations, available records and discharge summaries from previous treatment experiences, court order (if applicable), chronological list of past treatment experiences, Medicaid eligibility information or third party insurance information.

### AVERAGE LENGTH OF TIME IN CARE:

Length of stays range from 4-8 months, and are dependent on the needs of the child and family.

### AGENCY DESCRIPTION:

Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch, Minot, has two 8 bed male and female psychiatric residential treatment facilities with a total capacity for 16 youth. Educational services are provided by Dakota Memorial School (DMS) an on-campus school located in Minot. DMS provides educational services to students in grades 1-12. In addition to regular educational services, students' special needs are also

accommodated at DMS. Students are also able to receive high school credit and diplomas. DMS is accredited by the North Dakota Department of Public Instruction and the North Central Association Commission on Accreditation and School Improvement.

**PROGRAM/SERVICES PROVIDED BY FACILITY ON-SITE:**

DBGR offers psychiatric residential treatment for emotional and behavioral issues; substance abuse issues; issues related to physical, sexual, and emotional abuse; attention difficulties; autistic spectrum disorders; sexual responsibility issues; and academic difficulties. Youth receive in-depth individual and group therapy and their families are integrated into treatment through family therapy. DBGR also seeks to provide an individualized spiritual foundation for each resident.

**DX ACCEPTED:**

- Mood disorders
- Dissociative disorders
- Anxiety disorders
- Attachment issues
- Learning disorders
- Behavioral and impulse control issues
- Substance Abuse Issues (co-existing with other disorders)
- Conduct disorder and oppositional defiant disorder co-existing with other diagnosis.
- \* Personality disorders
- \* Eating disorders
- \* Adjustment disorders
- \* Parent-Child relationship problems

**FLEXIBILITY TO MODIFY PROGRAM/SERVICES TO SERVE A CHILD WITH OTHER PROBLEMS/NEEDS:**

Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch strives to meet the individual challenges of each resident in care and his/her family. The availability and scope of community resources allows for innovative and creative treatment planning.

**TYPE OF CHILD SERVED MOST SUCCESSFULLY, FOR WHICH FACILITY HAS A RECOGNIZED TREATMENT PROGRAM:**

Youth served most successfully at Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch, Minot, are those individuals who demonstrate a willingness to change, are able to develop relationships with staff and peers, have family involvement and who are able to benefit from a cognitive behavioral approach to treatment.

**PROGRAM MODEL:**

Therapeutically, the clinicians at DBGR focus on the individual needs of clients and consider the most efficacious course of treatment for both individual and group therapy provision. In addition to Cognitive Behavior Therapy, staff are trained in and utilize Dialectical Behavior Therapy, Structured Psychotherapy for Adolescents Responding to Chronic Stress (SPARCS), Trauma Focused Cognitive Behavior Therapy, and Motivational Enhancement Techniques. Programs at DBGR provide individual and group psychotherapy, and work to integrate these skills and concepts into the daily milieu. In addition, the use of behavior modification principles continues to be a primary guiding force in the therapeutic milieu.

**SERVICES PROVIDED ELSEWHERE IN THE COMMUNITY:**

Medical and dental services are provided in the community.

**CANNOT ACCEPT:**

Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch, Minot, cannot accept for placement those individuals who pose an extreme safety risk to self or others, or who require extensive nursing care. Individuals who are actively psychotic, suicidal, homicidal, or violent would be referred to the appropriate level of care. Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch will review each candidate individually to ensure that we can provide an appropriate level of care to meet the individual’s needs. When Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch determines that we are unable to safely meet the needs of the individual, we reserve the right to deny admission. In the event of a denial, recommendations for appropriate level of care will be made.

**PROGRAM CAPACITY:**

16 beds-male (Cornelsen Cottage) and female (Butt Cottage)

**IQ RANGE:**

80 and above (exceptions may be made on an individual basis)

**AGE AT ADMISSION:**

10-17

**STAFF:**

- Director of Clinical Services
- Psychiatrist
- Psychologist
- Recreation specialist
- Direct care: Residential Treatment Advisors
- Education staff
- \*Spiritual life specialists
- \* Nursing staff
- \* Case managers
- \* Therapists

**MEMBERSHIPS/ACCREDITATION:**

- North Dakota PRTF Coalition
- CARF: Commission on the Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities
- Alliance for Children and Families
- AACRC: American Association of Children’s Residential Center
- Lutheran Services of America

**LICENSURE:**

Licensed by the North Dakota Department of Human Services

**NO REJECT/NO EJECT POLICY:**

Through the continuum of care offered by DBGR, the Admissions and Discharge Team, in concert with the clinical team, is able to leverage the levels of care to best address the needs of current residents and potential admits.

All options within our continuum of care will be exhausted before a child would be discharged from the program.

## **Dakota Boys & Girls Ranch (DBGR) Fargo Residential Center**

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Fargo ND 58104  
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Fax: (701) 237-4063

**Website:** [www.dakotaranch.org](http://www.dakotaranch.org)

### **ADMINISTRATOR:**

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Jane Brown, Chief Operations Officer

### **PROGRAM DIRECTOR:**

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### **REFERRAL PROCEDURE**

Completion of the North Dakota Universal Application for Residential Services is required. A complete referral/application for services will include, in addition to the Universal Application: current DSM IV diagnosis (on all five axis), current medications (times and doses), educational records; i.e. IEP, 504 plan, transcripts, disciplinary documentation, available psychological testing; i.e. WISC, CPT, TOVA, IVA, MMPI, MACI, available prior psychiatric evaluations, available substance abuse evaluations, available records and discharge summaries from previous treatment experiences, court order (if applicable), chronological list of past treatment experiences, Medicaid eligibility information or third party insurance information.

### **AVERAGE LENGTH OF TIME IN CARE:**

Length of stays range from 4-8 months, and are dependent on the needs of the child and family.

### **AGENCY DESCRIPTION:**

Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch Fargo Residential Center is a co-ed psychiatric residential facility with a capacity for 16 youth. Educational services are provided through a contractual arrangement with Fargo Public Schools.

**PROGRAM/SERVICES PROVIDED BY FACILITY ON-SITE:**

DBGR offers psychiatric residential treatment for emotional and behavioral issues; substance abuse issues; issues related to physical, sexual, and emotional abuse; attention difficulties; autistic spectrum disorders; sexual responsibility issues; and academic difficulties. Youth receive in-depth individual and group therapy and their families are integrated into treatment through family therapy. DBGR also seeks to provide an individualized spiritual foundation for each resident.

**EDUCATION PROVIDED ON-SITE:**

Education services are provided through a contractual arrangement with Fargo Public Schools. The educational needs of the youth served are met in the on-site River’s Edge classroom, with the potential to transition to a public school setting dependent upon progress.

**DIAGNOSIS ACCEPTED:**

Mood Disorders	Personality Disorders
Dissociative Disorders	Eating Disorders
Anxiety Disorders	Adjustment Disorders
Attachment Issues	Parent-Child Relationship Problems
Learning Disabilities	Behavioral and impulse control issues
Substance Abuse Issues (co-existing with other disorders)	
Conduct disorder and oppositional defiant disorder co-existing with other diagnosis	

**FLEXIBILITY TO MODIFY PROGRAM/SERVICES TO SERVE A YOUTH WITH OTHER PROBLEMS/NEEDS:**

Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch Fargo Residential Center strives to meet the individual challenges of each resident in care and his/her family. The availability and scope of internal and community resources allows for innovative and creative treatment planning.

**TYPE OF YOUTH SERVED MOST SUCCESSFULLY, FOR WHICH FACILITY HAS A RECOGNIZED TREATMENT PROGRAM:**

Youth served most successfully at the Fargo Residential Center are those individuals who demonstrate a willingness to change, are able to develop relationships with staff and peers, have family involvement and who are able to benefit from a cognitive behavioral approach to treatment.

**PROGRAM MODEL:**

Therapeutically, the clinicians at DBGR focus on the individual needs of clients and consider the most efficacious course of treatment for both individual and group therapy provision. In addition to Cognitive Behavior Therapy, staff are trained in and utilize Dialectical Behavior Therapy, Structured Psychotherapy for Adolescents Responding to Chronic Stress (SPARCS), Trauma Focused Cognitive Behavior Therapy, and Motivational Enhancement Techniques. Programs at DBGR provide individual and group psychotherapy, and work to integrate these skills and concepts into the daily milieu. In addition, the use of

behavior modification principles continues to be a primary guiding force in the therapeutic milieu.

**SERVICES PROVIDED ELSEWHERE IN THE COMMUNITY:**

Medical and dental services are provided in the community.

**CANNOT ACCEPT:**

Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch Fargo Residential Center cannot accept for placement those individuals who pose an extreme safety risk to self or others, or who require extensive nursing care. Individuals who are actively psychotic, suicidal, homicidal, or violent would be referred to the appropriate level of care. Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch Fargo Residential Center will review each candidate individually to ensure that we can provide an appropriate level of care to meet the individual's needs. When Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch determines that we are unable to safely meet the needs of the individual, we reserve the right to deny admission. In the event of denial, recommendations for appropriate level of care will be made.

**PROGRAM CAPACITY:**

16 beds, male and female

**IQ RANGE:**

80 and above (exceptions may be made on an individual basis)

**AGE AT ADMISSION:**

11-17 (need to be in at least the 6th grade)

**STAFF:**

- Director of Clinical Services
- Psychiatrist
- Psychologist
- Direct Care: Residential Treatment Advisors
- Nursing staff
- \* Recreation specialists
- \* Therapists
- \* Case managers
- \* Spiritual life specialists

**MEMBERSHIPS/ACCREDITATION:**

JCAHO, Child Welfare League of America, Alliance for Children and Families, National Association of Social Workers, ND Association of Counties, ND Mental Health Association, ND Conference of Social Welfare, North Dakota RCCF Association

**LICENSURE:**

Licensed by the North Dakota Department of Human Services

**NO REJECT/NO EJECT POLICY:**

Each individual's treatment plan is reviewed on a monthly basis. Interventions are reviewed for continued appropriateness and effectiveness. Modifications are made as necessary to continue to meet the needs of the individual, provided the level of acuity remains appropriate for the setting.

## **Dakota Boys & Girls Ranch (DBGR) Western Plains Treatment Center**

### **ADDRESS:**

1227 N 35th St  
Bismarck ND 58501  
Phone: (701) 224-1789  
Fax: (701) 224-1854

**Website:** [www.dakotaranch.org](http://www.dakotaranch.org)

### **ADMINISTRATOR:**

Gene Kaseman, President  
Jane Brown, Chief Operation Officer

### **PROGRAM DIRECTOR:**

Tim Eissinger, Vice President of Programming  
(701)799-1696  
Mark Schaefer, Director of Clinical Services  
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### **ADMISSION COORDINATORS:**

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### **REFERRAL PROCEDURE**

Completion of the North Dakota Universal Application for Residential Services is required. A complete referral/application for services will include, in addition to the Universal Application, a current DSM-IV diagnosis (on all five axis), current medications (times and doses), educational records; i.e. IEP, 504 plan, transcripts, disciplinary documentation, available psychological testing; i.e. WISC, CPT, TOVA, IV A, MMPI, MACI, available prior psychiatric evaluations, available substance abuse evaluations, available records and discharge summaries from previous treatment experiences, court order (if applicable), chronological list of past treatment experiences, Medicaid eligibility information or third party insurance information.

### **AVERAGE LENGTH OF TIME IN CARE:**

Length of stays range from 4-8 months; dependent on the needs of the child and family.

### **AGENCY DESCRIPTION:**

Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch Western Plains Treatment Center is a co-ed psychiatric residential treatment facility with a capacity for 16 youth. Educational services are provided by Dakota Memorial School (DMS), an on-campus school located in Bismarck. In addition to regular educational services, students' special educational needs are accommodated at DMS. Students are also able to receive high school credit and diplomas. DMS is accredited by the North Dakota

Department of Public Instruction and the North Central Association Commission on Accreditation and School Improvement.

**PROGRAMS/SERVICES PROVIDED BY FACILITY ONSITE:**

DBGR offers psychiatric residential treatment for emotional and behavioral issues; substance abuse issues; issues related to physical, sexual, and emotional abuse; attention difficulties; autistic spectrum disorders; sexual responsibility issues; and academic difficulties. Youth receive in-depth individual and group therapy and their families are integrated into treatment through family therapy. DBGR also seeks to provide an individualized spiritual foundation for each resident.

**DX ACCEPTED:**

Mood disorders	Personality disorders
Dissociative Disorders	Eating disorders
Anxiety Disorders	Adjustment Disorders
Attachment Issues	Parent-Child Relationship Problems
Learning Disorders	Behavioral and Impulse Control Issues
Substance Abuse Issues (co-existing with other disorders)	
Conduct disorder and oppositional defiant disorder co-existing with other diagnosis.	

**FLEXIBILITY TO MODIFY PROGRAMS/SERVICES TO SERVE A CHILD WITH OTHER PROBLEMS/NEEDS:**

Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch Western Plains strives to meet the individual challenges of each resident in care and his/her family. The availability and scope of internal and community resources allow for innovative and creative treatment planning.

**TYPE OF CHILD SERVED MOST SUCCESSFULLY, FOR WHICH FACILITY HAS A RECOGNIZED TREATMENT PROGRAM:**

Youth served most successfully at Western Plains are those individuals who demonstrate a willingness to change, are able to develop relationships with staff and peers, have family involvement and who are able to benefit from a cognitive behavioral approach to treatment.

**PROGRAM MODEL:**

Therapeutically, the clinicians at DBGR focus on the individual needs of clients and consider the most efficacious course of treatment for both individual and group therapy provision. In addition to Cognitive Behavior Therapy, staff are trained in and utilize Dialectical Behavior Therapy, Structured Psychotherapy for Adolescents Responding to Chronic Stress (SPARCS), Trauma Focused Cognitive Behavior Therapy, and Motivational Enhancement Techniques. Programs at DBGR provide individual and group psychotherapy, and work to integrate these skills and concepts into the daily milieu. In addition, the use of behavior modification principles continues to be a primary guiding force in the therapeutic milieu.

**SERVICES PROVIDED ELSEWHERE IN THE COMMUNITY:**

Medical and dental services provided in the community.

**DO NOT ACCEPT:**

DBGR – Western Plains cannot accept individuals who pose an extreme safety risk to self or others, or who require extensive nursing care. Individuals who are actively psychotic, suicidal, homicidal, or violent would be referred to the appropriate level of care. DBGR will review each candidate individually to ensure that we can provide an appropriate level of care to meet the individual’s needs. When DBGR determines that we are unable to safely meet the needs of the individual, we reserve the right to deny admission. In the event of a denial, recommendations for appropriate level of care will be made.

**PROGRAM CAPACITY:**

16 beds, male and female

**IQ RANGE:**

80 and above (exceptions may be made on an individual basis)

**AGE AT ADMISSION:**

10-17

**STAFF:**

- Director of Clinical Services
- Psychiatrist
- Psychologist
- Recreation specialist
- Direct care: Residential Treatment Advisors
- \* Spiritual life specialists
- \* Nursing staff
- \* Case managers
- \* Therapists
- \* Education staff

**MEMBERSHIPS/ACCREDITATIONS:**

CARF: Commission on the Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities  
Alliance for Children & Families  
Lutheran Services of America  
AACRC: American Association of Children’s Residential Center  
ND PRTF Coalition

**LICENSURE:**

Licensed by the North Dakota Department of Human Services

**NO REJECT/NO EJECT POLICY:**

Through the continuum of care offered by DBGR, the DBGR Admissions and Discharge Team, in concert with the clinical team, is able to leverage the levels of care to best address the needs of current residents and potential admits.

All options within our continuum of care will be exhausted before a child would be discharged from the program.

## **Lutheran Social Services of North Dakota Luther Hall**

### **ADDRESS:**

1505 5th Avenue South  
Fargo ND 58103  
Phone: (701) 232-8905  
Fax: (701) 232-3537

Website: [www.lssnd.org](http://www.lssnd.org)

### **ADMINISTRATIVE CENTER ADDRESS:**

1527 5th Ave S  
Fargo ND 58103  
(701) 297-6176  
Fax: (701) 235-7819

### **ADMINISTRATOR:**

Mary J. Weiler, MS  
Vice President of Community Outreach Services  
Email: [mweiler@lssnd.org](mailto:mweiler@lssnd.org)  
Telephone: (701)297-6176

### **REFERRAL CONTACTS:**

Amber Neal, Case Manager, Admissions  
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Telephone: (701)297-6170

Beth Brantner, M.Ed., LPCC, LAC, Program Director  
[bbrantner@lssnd.org](mailto:bbrantner@lssnd.org)  
(701) 297-6161

### **REFERRAL PROCEDURE**

- Initial contact must be made with Admissions person by email, fax, phone or In person
- Information presented at Admission Committee meeting
- Denied/Approved/Deferred
- Denial reasons in writing within 2 weeks of referral
- Approved: Information gathered and pre-authorization process initiated
- Placement time and day arranged

### **AVERAGE LENGTH OF TIME IN CARE:**

9.0 months

### **AGENCY DESCRIPTION:**

Luther Hall, a program of Lutheran Social Services of North Dakota is a private 16-bed residential treatment facility for children and adolescents between the ages of 10 and 18. Luther Hall provides services that offer assessment and treatment for children and adolescents that have been diagnosed with a

psychiatric disorder. Supervision of the individualized treatment plan is done by qualified mental health professionals for treatment of children with demonstrated functional impairment in school, home and/or social relationships. Programming is provided in a 24-hour therapeutically planned group living and learning environment where individual, group and family therapy is coordinated and integrated within the daily living program.

**PROGRAM/SERVICES PROVIDED BY FACILITY ONSITE:**

- Diagnostic Assessment & Evaluation (30 days)
- Individual, Group & Family Therapy
- Recreation and Leisure Programming
- Service Learning
- Psychiatric Services (assessments and individual evaluations)
- Psychological Services (assessments and individual counseling)
- Chemical Dependency Services (evaluations)
- Spirituality Programming
- Food Services
- Nursing & Health Services
- Case Management Services
- 24-hour Supervision
- Non-secure setting (not locked from the inside)

**EDUCATION PROVIDED ONSITE:**

Luther Hall contracts with Fargo Public Schools Special Education Department to provide an onsite self-contained classroom with individualized educational programming.

**DX ACCEPTED:**

Disrupted Behavior Disorders	Adjustment Disorders
Depressive Disorders	Mood Disorders
Conduct Disorders	Anxiety Disorders
ADHD	Post Traumatic Stress Disorders
Oppositional Defiant Disorders	Obsessive Compulsive Disorders

**FLEXIBILITY TO MODIFY PROGRAM/SERVICES TO SERVE A CHILD WITH OTHER PROBLEMS/NEEDS:**

Decisions are made to meet special needs on a case by case basis.

**TYPE OF CHILD SERVED MOST SUCCESSFULLY, FOR WHICH FACILITY HAS A RECOGNIZED TREATMENT PROGRAM:**

- Youth in need of intensive educational structure & specialized instruction to achieve academic success
- Victims of sexual, emotional and physical abuse
- PTSD
- Attention Deficit youth
- Disruptive behaviors (Mood disorders, Anxiety disorders & Chemical abuse issues)
- Dual diagnosed youth (substance abuse and mental disorder diagnosis)
- Self-injurious behavior control
- Families willing to participate in family therapy

**PROGRAM MODEL:**

Positive Peer Culture is based on two simple Judeo-Christian principles: Anything that hurts any person is wrong; and we are our brothers' keepers. The essence of peer culture is helping others. The Luther Hall program uses a peer group method that empowers the children & adolescents to teach each other new values and skills in making appropriate choices.

In positive peer culture, residents are divided into small groups by age and gender. Instead of imposing rules of behavior from staff or administration, residents are asked to teach each other the value of care and concern. In their groups, residents explore life histories, identify problem behaviors and learn to support each other while they are in treatment. Residents also learn and develop through active participation in organized Service Learning Projects to meet needs of the community and foster civic responsibility. Luther Hall utilizes the teamwork primacy model to maximize primary group relations among co-workers. This model stresses an interdisciplinary approach to problem solving, decision making and accountability. Core values of belonging, mastery, independence and generosity are encouraged and incorporated into the treatment process.

**THE CHILDREN WE SERVE:**

- Males and females
- In need of total milieu therapy in a specialized setting
- Between the ages of 10-17
- Full scale IQ 70 or above; without an emotional mentally handicapped (EMH) diagnosis
- SDM IV diagnosis of psychiatric disorder
- Has a history demonstrating therapeutic potential to benefit from psycho-therapeutic intervention
- Demonstrated that less restrictive treatment settings have been considered or attempted
- Medicaid eligible
- Referrals sources: County Social Services, Division of Juvenile Services, Partnership Project, Tribal Social Services, Southeast Human Service Center, Third Party Insurance, Private
- Youth are discharged to: Home/foster home relative's home; hospital/State Hospital; PATH (therapeutic foster home); group home, psychiatric residential treatment facility; Job Corps.

**PROGRAM LICENSING:**

- Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facility

**SERVICES PROVIDED ELSEWHERE IN THE COMMUNITY:**

- |   |                       |
|---|-----------------------|
| • Eating disorder assessments             | * Dental              |
| • Sex offender assessments                | * Vision              |
| • Neuropsychiatric assessments            | * Speech              |
| • Chemical dependency counseling services | * Vocational/Academic |
| • Emergency medical/psychiatric services  |                       |

**DO NOT ACCEPT:**

- Sex offenders (history of sexual abuse/assault/perpetration)
- Severe organic brain disorders
- Severe physical disabilities
- Actively suicidal, homicidal, or psychotic at the time of review and child is in need of stabilization
- Severe/chronic runners

**PROGRAM CAPACITY:**

16 beds, male and female

**IQ RANGE:**

70 and above

**AGE AT ADMISSION:**

10-17

**STAFF:**

One staff per 2-3 residents, depending on the needs of the residents. Ability to provide one-on-one supervision when needed for safety.

**MEMBERSHIPS:**

- Lutheran Services of America (LSA)
- North Dakota Coalition of Psychiatric Residential Treatment Providers
- North Dakota Committee to Prevent Child Abuse

**ACCREDITATIONS:**

Council on Accreditation for Children and Family Services (COA)

**LICENSES:**

Licensed by the Department of Human Services as a Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facility, through Children's Mental health Division and Medical Services – Psych under 21

**NO EJECT/NO REJECT POLICY:**

Luther Hall strives to make decisions that are therapeutically in the best interest of the child and family.

## **Pride Manchester House**

### **ADDRESS:**

2600 Manchester Street  
Bismarck ND 58504  
Phone: (701) 223-5600  
Fax: (701) 223-5611

### **ADMINISTRATOR & PROGRAM DIRECTOR:**

Susan M. Gerenz, M.Ed.  
[sgerenz@prideinc.org](mailto:sgerenz@prideinc.org)

### **REFERRAL CONTACTS:**

Susan M. Gerenz, M.Ed., or Mike Hance, Transition Coordinator

### **REFERRAL PROCEDURE**

Telephone inquiries and written referrals are accepted.

- An admission form is completed and returned to the Director/Designee for review.
- Information, evaluations, and recommendations about potential referrals are forwarded to the Admissions & Discharge Committee.
- If the prospective client has documentation of a recent Psychological Assessment, financial means for payment, and is carrying an E.D. diagnosis, that individual could be screened by the Admission and Discharge (A&D) Committee for placement at Manchester House. Children are also accepted for assessment only.

### **AVERAGE LENGTH OF TIME IN CARE:**

Average-5 months; Range 2-12 months

### **AGENCY DESCRIPTION:**

Pride Manchester House is a psychiatric residential treatment facility serving a wide variety of children ages five through thirteen years demonstrating serious emotional disturbances. We are the state's only treatment center for children under age ten. It is a publicly funded facility operating under Pride, Inc.

### **PROGRAM/SERVICES PROVIDED BY FACILITY ON-SITE:**

#### **Continuum of Care:**

- Outreach Services
- Pre-Admission Services
- Assessment & Residential Services
- Clinical & Educational Services
- Transition and Aftercare Services
- Out-of-State Diversion

**EDUCATION PROVIDED ON-SITE:**

Grades 1-8. Self-contained SED room utilizing the Multi-Intelligences Model.

- Mainstreaming/inclusion to numerous local public schools is available as appropriate on an individualized basis.
- Pre-admission and aftercare education services are also available upon request.
- Day treatment services are offered to Bismarck residents.
- A 6-8 week special education summer program is also offered.

**DX ACCEPTED:** (Must be a North Dakota resident)

If the child/youth meets the primary diagnostic criteria in any of the following categories:

- Schizophrenia & delusional disorders
- Post Traumatic Stress Disorder & Reactive Attachment Disorder
- Psychotic disorders, not elsewhere classified
- Mood disorders, anxiety disorders, pervasive developmental disorders, autism spectrum
- Impulse control disorders, not elsewhere classified and he/she has a Global Assessment of Functioning Scale (GAF) of 50 or below.

Treatment is provided for children who are experiencing difficulties in one or more of the following areas:

- Abuse/neglect/trauma issues
- Impaired social and family relationships
- Attachment disorders
- Sexually reactive behaviors
- Grief/loss issues

**FLEXIBILITY TO MODIFY PROGRAM/SERVICES TO SERVE A CHILD WITH OTHER PROBLEMS/NEEDS:**

All services offered at Pride Manchester House are individualized to address the unique strengths and needs that each child/youth demonstrates.

**PROGRAM MODEL:**

A blended approach incorporating a Boys Town psycho-educational model, cognitive-behavioral model, sensory integration strategies and positive behavioral supports. Pride Manchester House provides a healthy environment that emphasizes safety, child centered strategies, strengths, solutions and the best outcomes to provide lifelong growth for the children and families we serve.

Hallmarks of Care:

1. Safety First
2. Child Centered
3. Strengths Based
4. Solutions Focused
5. Outcomes Based

**TYPE OF CHILD SERVED MOST SUCCESSFULLY, FOR WHICH FACILITY HAS A RECOGNIZED TREATMENT PROGRAM:**

The treatment program at Pride Manchester House focuses on collaboration, community service, and family involvement, through a strength-based, individualized approach utilizing the wrap-around philosophy. The program strives to engage community resources and families to better meet the need of children in their own environment. It is imperative to work with the child and family team before, during and after treatment. This approach involves multiple systems, providers, families and both formal and informal resources to enhance and sustain treatment results. A structured, individualized mentoring program is utilized on a weekly basis for each resident. Outreach, pre-admission services, refocusing program, and a 12-month aftercare program are available upon request.

**PROGRAM LICENSING:**

Council on Accreditation (COA)

**DO NOT ACCEPT:**

IQ lower than 70 (unless individualized waiver is given by Admission Team)

**SERVICES PROVIDED ELSEWHERE IN THE COMMUNITY:**

- PATH, Department of Juvenile Services
- Bismarck City Nursing, St. Alexius Hospital
- Medical Center One Health Systems, Dacotah Foundation
- Local public schools, Theo Art Studio
- Bismarck Human Society, Dakota Zoo
- St. Vincent's Nursing Home, Vision and Dental Services
- YMCA, Mandan Community Center
- Library, Area Churches
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**PROGRAM CAPACITY:**

8 Beds (Male and Female)

**AGE AT ADMISSION:**

5-13

**STAFF:**

**Clinical Staff**

- Director
- Treatment Coordinator
- RN
- Case Managers
- Therapist
- Transition Coordinator
- Psychiatrist
- Clinical Psychologist
- Supplemental Clinical Services through Community Providers

### **Milieu Staff**

- Full-time and Part-time Direct Support Professionals
- Cook
- Foster Grandparent
- Trained Volunteers

### **Educational Staff**

One teacher and two paraprofessionals onsite; occupational therapy, learning disabilities services, speech/language clinicians, physical therapists, interpreters, etc. are contracted to meet unique educational needs associated with each child's IEP.

### **MEMBERSHIPS/ACCREDITATIONS:**

- North Dakota Coalition of Residential Treatment Providers
- Nationally accredited through the Council on Accreditation (COA)
- Child Welfare League of America

### **LICENSES:**

Licensed by the Department of Human Services

### **NO EJECT/NO REJECT POLICY:**

Referrals that do not appear to meet admissions criteria may be considered on a case by case basis. Through discussion with the Child and Family Treatment Team, including parent or custodian, children served at Pride Manchester House may be discharged if it is deemed in the best interests/safety of that child and/or other residents in the facility.

## **Ruth Meiers Adolescent Center**

### **ADDRESS:**

770 South 14th Street  
Grand Forks ND 58201  
Phone: (701) 795-3870  
Fax: (701) 795-3899

**Agency website:** [www.ruthmeiersadolescentcenter@nd.gov](http://www.ruthmeiersadolescentcenter@nd.gov)

### **ADMINISTRATOR:**

Bryon Novotny  
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### **PROGRAM DIRECTOR AND REFERRAL CONTACT:**

Larry Dauksavage, Clinical Director  
[ldauksavage@nd.gov](mailto:ldauksavage@nd.gov)

### **REFERRAL PROCEDURE**

Initial contact should be made to the Clinical Director. If appropriate, a referral application will need to be completed.

### **AVERAGE LENGTH OF TIME IN CARE:**

4-5 months

### **AGENCY DESCRIPTION:**

Ruth Meiers Adolescent Residential Treatment Center (RMAC) is a psychiatric residential treatment facility and is part of the Northeast Human Service Center. RMAC provides a supervised, structured living environment and intensive treatment program for boys and girls ages 12 to 17 experiencing serious emotional disturbances.

### **PROGRAM/SERVICES PROVIDED BY FACILITY ONSITE: (Including those at Northeast Human Service Center)**

- Independent Living Skills
- Psychiatric Services
- Recreational and Behavioral Therapy
- Alcohol and other Drug Abuse Prevention Education
- Individual, Family and Group Therapy
- Reality Therapy
- Nutrition Education
- Social Skills Training and Anger Management Training

### **EDUCATION PROVIDED ONSITE:**

While the program's focus is not primarily education, RMAC can accommodate adolescents with the following types of educational/academic problems:

- Developmental Arithmetic, Expressive Writing, Reading, Articulation, Expressive Language and Receptive Language Disorder

RMAC has an on-site special education classroom through the Grand Forks Public School District. The primary goal for RMAC residents is for them to participate in a community public school setting. Most residents transition to the community public school setting when appropriate as determined by the site teacher. Residents must be in at least the 7th grade.

**DX ACCEPTED:**

Any Axis I diagnosis that identifies emotional disorder, i.e., depression, mood disorder (bipolar), post traumatic stress disorder, substance abuse/dependence.

**FLEXIBILITY TO MODIFY PROGRAMS/SERVICES TO SERVE A CHILD WITH OTHER PROBLEMS/NEEDS:**

This is determined on a situational basis.

**TYPE OF CHILD SERVED MOST SUCCESSFULLY, FOR WHICH FACILITY HAS A RECOGNIZED TREATMENT PROGRAM:**

RMAC has been particularly successful with adolescents diagnosed with depression and with youth that have been sexually abused.

**PROGRAM MODEL:**

The RMAC program is not tied to any one specific program model but would most closely resemble a Cognitive Behavioral model.

**LICENSING/APPROVAL/ACCREDITATION ENTITY FOR THE PROGRAM:**

Licensed by State of North Dakota and accredited by the Council on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF).

**SERVICES PROVIDED ELSEWHERE IN THE COMMUNITY:**

Though most services are provided directly by RMAC or Northeast Human Services Center, community resources are valued and utilized as needed. Community support groups (i.e. AA, NA, Alanon, Parenting Classes), partial hospitalization programming, community educational events/activities, community social events/activities, community cultural events/activities, and regional health care facilities offer RMAC residents excellent opportunities to have their needs met during placement. Given the wide variety of services available in the Grand Forks community, RMAC considers referrals on a case by case basis to determine if particular presenting needs can be met.

**DO NOT ACCEPT:**

Adolescents actively using chemicals. Adolescents with IQs below 70. Adolescents in need of hospitalization because of active suicidal attempts/ideation. Adolescents that are actively psychotic.

**PROGRAM CAPACITY:**

12 beds-6 male and 6 female

**IQ RANGE:**

70 and above.

**AGE AT ADMISSION:**

12-17

**STAFF:**

Program director, clinical director, case managers, activity coordinator, nurse, cook and community home counselors make up the on-site staff. This staff is supplemented by a psychiatrist, two individual/family therapists, and a licensed addiction counselor and other treatment staff of Northeast Human Service Center, as needed.

**MEMBERSHIPS/ACCREDITATIONS:**

Council on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF).

**LICENSES:**

Licensed by the North Dakota Department of Human Services

**NO REJECT/NO EJECT POLICY:**

The RMAC treatment team works hard to assess adolescents on an individual basis, both for admission to our program and discharging youth from the program, with a primary consideration toward safety of the current residents of the program as well as the youth being referred. Significant effort is made to assure an informed and smooth process occurs at entrance and exit of program.

# Licensed Child Placing Agencies For Foster Care

## **PATH North Dakota, Inc.**

### **ADDRESS:**

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Fargo ND 58103  
Phone: (701)280-9545  
Fax: (701)280-0038

### **CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER:**

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### **DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS:**

Dale Twedt  
[dtwedt@pathinc.org](mailto:dtwedt@pathinc.org)

### **REFERRAL CONTACT:**

Local PATH office or 1-800-766-9321

### **REFERRAL PROCEDURE:**

Call local PATH office or 1-800-766-9321

### **AVERAGE LENGTH OF TIME IN CARE:**

9 Months

### **AGENCY DESCRIPTION:**

PATH North Dakota, Inc. is a culturally diverse, private non-profit organization. PATH's mission is to serve children, youth, and families whose special needs can be met through services delivered primarily by treatment foster parents, teamed with and supported by agency staff, and the child and family team.

### **PROGRAMS/SERVICES PROVIDED BY FACILITY ONSITE:**

- **Treatment Foster Care** – Provide treatment services in a treatment foster family setting. The primary emphasis is in developing and maintaining strong, highly trained foster families in which foster children can heal and grow. The foster child benefits from the modeling in the home, the nurturing and teaching of the foster parents, and the counseling and treatment provided by all members of the treatment team. Within Treatment Foster care, we also provide Community Based Treatment (CBT), Family and Community Evaluation (FACE), Specialized Family Care (SFC), PATH/DJS Sex Offenders Program, Crisis Stabilization & Social Detox (CARE)\*, Case Aide & Parent Support (CAPS)\*, Transition Assessment Program (TAP). (\*Limited availability)
- **Family Support** – Develop services that provide families with supports necessary to maintain a safe therapeutic family environment for severely

emotionally disturbed children and to minimize the child's need for out-of-home care and psychiatric hospitalization. This program offers families a comprehensive treatment alternative in their own home and community, while maintaining and supporting their family relationships, providing safety and adequate care to divert longer term and more costly out-of-home placements.

- **Turtle Mountain Specialized Foster Care** – Treatment foster care services on the Turtle Mountain Indian Reservation.
- **Adults Adopting Special Kids (AASK)** – Working in collaboration with Catholic Charities North Dakota (lead agency) to provide adoption services.
- **Family Inclusion Reunification Services Treatment (FIRST)** – FIRST involves the child's family in Treatment Foster Care placement of their child. The family is included in the pre-placement planning to discuss roles, responsibilities, and services. Relationships between the child's parents and foster parents are nurtured and developed to better serve the child and family. Visitation, mentoring, parent coaching and family therapy are services designed to meet the specific needs of the family to assist in successful reunification.

**EDUCATION PROVIDED ONSITE:**

Youth attend school in the public school setting.

**DX ACCEPTED:**

DSM IV, which classifies child with a severe emotional disturbance.

**FLEXIBILITY TO MODIFY PROGRAM/SERVICES TO SERVE A CHILD WITH OTHER PROBLEMS/NEEDS:**

Yes

**CHILD SERVED MOST SUCCESSFULLY, FOR WHICH LCPA HAS A RECOGNIZED TREATMENT PROGRAM:**

Children with severe emotional/behavioral disturbances.

**PROGRAM MODEL:**

Children with significant behavioral and mental health concerns are better served in safe therapeutic family environments.

**SERVICES PROVIDED ELSEWHERE IN THE COMMUNITY:**

- Mental Health
- Addiction
- Eating disorders
- Delinquency

**DO NOT ACCEPT:**

N/A

**PROGRAM CAPACITY:**

300 children – male and female

**IQ RANGE:**

Not limited

**AGE AT ADMISSION:**

0-17

**STAFF:**

LICSW, BCD, CEO

LICSW, Director of Operations

2 MSW & 2 LSW Regional Directors

Social Workers

**MEMBERSHIPS/ACCREDITATIONS:**

CWLA, FFTA, NDCWS, NDANO, COA

**LICENSES:**

Licensed North Dakota Child Placing Agency

## **North Homes, Inc.**

### **ADDRESS:**

PO Box 12342  
Grand Forks, ND 58208-2342

### **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:**

Jim Christmas  
[jim.christmas@NorthHomesInc.org](mailto:jim.christmas@NorthHomesInc.org)

### **DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS:**

Jim Christmas

### **REFERRAL CONTACT:**

Visit website: [www.NorthHomesInc.org](http://www.NorthHomesInc.org)  
North Homes, Inc. office: 1-800-770-2102, or 1-218-791-9277

### **REFERRAL PROCEDURE**

North Homes, Inc. Office  
1-800-770-2102, or 1-218-791-9277

### **AVERAGE LENGTH OF TIME IN CARE:**

Variable, depending upon child's progress.

### **AGENCY DESCRIPTION:**

North Homes, Inc.'s mission is to provide a community-based continuum of quality care to children & families through a continuum of care model. North Homes, Inc. strives to provide and coordinate services designed to rehabilitate youth within the context of community and family. To this end, North Homes, Inc. programs are designed to serve at-risk youth and delinquent children in settings that are community based and family oriented.

### **PROGRAM/SERVICES PROVIDED BY FACILITY ONSITE:**

Therapeutic foster care utilizes a team work concept which brings parents, foster parents, social workers, mental health workers and a North Homes Inc. case manager together to address both the immediate and the future needs of the child.

### **EDUCATION PROVIDED ON-SITE:**

Youth attend school in the public school system, unless otherwise decided.

### **DX ACCEPTED:**

DSM IV diagnosis defining a SED (severe emotional/behavioral disturbance).

### **FLEXIBILITY TO MODIFY PROGRAM/SERVICES TO SERVE A CHILD WITH OTHER PROBLEMS/NEEDS:**

Yes

**CHILD SERVED MOST SUCCESSFULLY, FOR WHICH LCPA HAS A RECOGNIZED TREATMENT PROGRAM:**

Children with severe emotional/behavioral disturbances.

**PROGRAM MODEL:**

North Homes, Inc. believes that youth are better served in a family based model and utilizing community resources for best treatment and outcome.

**PROGRAM LICENSING:**

N/A

**SERVICES PROVIDED ELSEWHERE IN THE COMMUNITY:**

- Mental health
- Addiction
- Psychiatric

**DO NOT ACCEPT:**

N/A

**PROGRAM CAPACITY:**

30 – male and female

**IQ RANGE:**

Not limited

**AGE AT ADMISSION:**

0-17 years

**STAFF:**

- MSW, Executive Director
- MSW, LICSW – MN Clinical Director
- 1 – LSW, ND – foster care case manager
- BS – ND Liaison

**MEMBERSHIPS/ACCREDITATIONS:**

Council on Accreditation, NDCSW

**LICENSES:**

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