



## **SUPERVISED VISITATION at the Hope Council on Alcohol & Other Drug Abuse, Inc.**

### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

**Thank you for your interest in the Supervised Visitation Program of the Hope Council on Alcohol & Other Drug Abuse (Hope Council). We are located at 5942 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue in Kenosha, WI and can be contacted by phone at 262.658.8166 or FAX at 262.658.8210 or email at [info@hopecouncil.org](mailto:info@hopecouncil.org).**

#### **What is Supervised Visitation?**

In an effort to reunite and/or maintain relationships in families involved in custody and visitation disputes, absentee parents wanting to return to their children's lives, and separation from the children due to issues of domestic abuse, incarceration, child abuse and neglect, mental health, and/or substance abuse, the Hope Council offers the Supervised Visitation Program.

The Hope Council offers three types of supervised visitation:

**Monitored Visitation**, where the non-custodial parent is observed before and after the visit, but no notes are taken during the visit;

**Supervised Visitation**, where notes are taken during the visits but the worker does not interact with parties during the visits; or

**Therapeutic/ Supportive Visitation**, where notes are taken during the visits and the worker assists the non-custodial parents in having appropriate

#### **What is the referral process?**

The completed paperwork must be returned to the office. There are three forms (Intake Form, Authorization for Release of Information and Policies) that must be completed.

#### **Are there any fees involved?**

Yes. There is a one-time \$50 administrative fee, and there is a fee per hour of visits. The responsible party for paying the fee is typically determined by the courts. Only cash is accepted as payment.

#### **Does there need to be a Court Order?**

There does not need to be a court order. However, if there is one, please enclose a copy with the returned paperwork if possible.

#### **How long before my first visit is scheduled?**

Due to the phone calls and scheduling, it could take up to four weeks before the first visit takes place.

#### **What is the visitation schedule?**

We try to be flexible in order to facilitate the visitation. The goal is permanent time slots! Once a time slot is scheduled, that is the time slot that will be maintained.

#### **How long will I have to visit at the Hope Council?**

Most visits begin at one hour each week with the possibility to increase time. As for the longevity in the program, that is a decision that is never made by the program.

#### **Who decides when visits will move away from the Hope Council?**

That is the responsibility of the professionals involved and the parents involved.

#### **Where do visits take place?**

Visits only take place at the Hope Council on Alcohol & Other Drug Abuse, Inc. at 5942 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Kenosha. There are no community visits.

#### **Is transportation provided?**

No, we do not provide transportation.