KOVLER CENTER CHILD TRAUMA PROGRAM

AT A GLANCE

KOVLER CENTER CHILD TRAUMA PROGRAM (KCCTP) is a program of Marjorie Kovler Center for survivors of torture. KCCTP is dedicated to providing high quality trauma-informed, culturally, and linguistically responsive treatment and services to immigrant and refugee youth and families who experienced trauma as a result of war, terrorism, forced migration, family separation, state sponsored torture, and resettlement. KCCTP is a NATIONAL CHILD TRAUMATIC STRESS NETWORK (NCTSN) Category III funded center.

KCCTP believes in ensuring those who were impacted by trauma and human rights violations have the opportunity to not only heal, but thrive.

PROGRAMMING — SERVICE DELIVERY MODEL
KCCTP uses the International Family Adult and Child Enhancement Services (IFACES) service delivery model, which is a National Child Traumatic Stress Network (NCTSN) Promising Practice for immigrant populations. IFACES utilizes an array of services that extend into homes, shelters, and the community in an effort to increase engagement and be responsive to cultural variations and specific needs of immigrant youth and families. Services include linguistically responsive (preferred language of the client) outreach, case management, evidenced based individual and groups therapy interventions, and advocacy and social service support. Together, these components create and support an alliance that remove barriers to care and can be leveraged to support engagement and retention and overcome stigma associated with receiving mental health services.

NCTSN MISSION —
The mission of the NCTSN is to raise the standard of care and increase access to services for children and families who experience or witness traumatic events. Learn more at: nctsn.org

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**ELIGIBILITY**
Services are available for youth 6-21 years of age who experienced trauma as a result of war, terrorism, forced migration, family separation, state sponsored torture, and resettlement. This includes, but is not limited to experiences of trauma in a youth’s home country, during migration, and/or as part of the resettlement process. Trauma exposure includes experiences such as witnessing or experiencing physical or sexual abuse, community violence, war, and terrorism.

Services are provided at no cost to the family. No insurance is needed.

**TYPES OF SERVICES/INTERVENTIONS**
KCCTP provides community based services and offers services at the Kovler Center located in the Rogers Park area of Chicago.

They include:

- Community based outreach and engagement
- Complimentary therapies (e.g. occupational therapy, music expression groups)
- Evidence based Group Therapy
- Individual Therapy
- Evidenced based Individual Therapy
- Case Management

**ABOUT MARJORIE KOVLER CENTER**
Marjorie Kovler Center is a program of Heartland Alliance International, a global human rights organization working at the intersection of justice and healing. Kovler Center is one of the first torture treatment centers in the United States. Since 1987, Kovler Center has provided integrated, high-quality mental health, medical, and social services to survivors of politically-sanctioned torture and their families. Kovler Center also trains and educates service providers locally and globally and advocates for the end of torture worldwide.

**COMMUNITY BASED PARTNERS**
Research shows that immigrant populations do not typically seek out mental health services, but rather individuals are referred to mental health agencies by schools, or medical or legal providers. Developing and sustaining relationships with community partners are an essential part of identifying those youth and families who may be at risk and then collaborating with them to provide holistic and integrated care. To this end, KCCTP partners with:

- Refugee resettlement centers
- Shelters
- Immigrant legal firms
- Schools throughout Chicagoland

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