Our Vision

- We strive to empower women to become self-sufficient, responsible mothers who are capable of creating a bright future for themselves and their families.
- The philosophy of MIST reflects a whole person approach to treatment that assists women on their journey to recovery by helping them develop new skills, build community supports, and address therapeutic needs for long-term success.
- Our goal is to promote life-long recovery, drug-free births, and reunification of families.



Because of the increased health risks, we prioritize admitting pregnant females, persons who are using drugs intravenously, and persons who are HIV+ to substance use treatment.

If you, or a person you are concerned about, are in one of these priority populations, please let us know.

Empowering Women On the Path to Improving Their Lives

"MIST has made me remember the person I was before drugs. They have also developed a relapse prevention plan so I can stay sober." - **Christen**

"MIST has changed my life completely. Mentally, I found myself. They have taught me a lot of things. When I have to explain the MIST program to people, I say it is like recovery, security, and college. The program is helping me get back on my feet and become the mother I want to be and bringing my family back together. You guys are doing a lot for me." - Leann

"MIST has given me a safe environment to live and raise my son. It has given me sobriety and a second chance at life." - Alexa



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MOTHER'S INTENSIVE SUPPORTIVE TREATMENT



MIST Program Overview

- MIST is a residential treatment program designed for pregnant women and mothers struggling with addiction and co-occurring mental health concerns.
- MIST offers a safe place for women to access appropriate care for themselves while continuing to establish strong bonds with their children, including those trying to regain custody of their children.
- The individualized program provides a multi-faceted treatment team approach to help mothers achieve their goals and maintain success.
- The MIST treatment team consists of licensed clinicians, masters- and bachelors-level counselors, peer specialists, recovery specialists, and medical staff on-site daily for consultation.
- A comprehensive aftercare plan will be in place prior to completing the MIST program to assist each woman in her recovery and transition back to the community.

What Makes MIST Special?

- Treatment focused on the specific needs of women in recovery
- Individual, group, and family counseling; parenting and domestic violence classes
- Primary medical care and/or prenatal care through referral; primary pediatric care for children through referral
- Facilitate transportation arrangements and childcare to ensure access to essential, community-based services
- Women are encouraged to participate in community educational and vocational programs
- Support residents in pursuing housing and employment opportunities





Frequently Asked Questions

How long can I remain in the MIST program?

Length of stay will be based on your specific needs. Most women remain in the program for 6 to 12 months.

Can my child come with me to the MIST program?

Yes! One child, no older than 12 months at the time of admission, may join you.

What if I have legal problems?

We have experience working with our residents to address a variety of legal concerns and frequently work with probation, parole, child welfare, and other entities to assist you in reaching your goals.

What if I don't live in Gainesville?

Our program is available to all Florida residents and may be available to some out-of-state residents. Our Access Center Specialists can help determine eligibility for the program on a case-by-case basis.

Does the program provide transportation?

Individuals are responsible for arranging transport at admission and discharge; however, many insurance providers offer assistance with transport for treatment purposes.

How do I apply for admission to the MIST program?

We encourage you to contact the Access Center at (352) 374-5600 or (800) 330-5615, select option 2, and then option 1. You will be linked with a specialist to discuss the next steps for participating in the program. Additional information can also be provided upon request.