

Parkston PRTF Program  
**ADMISSION CRITERIA**

1. Admission to the Our Home, Inc. Parkston PRTF Program is open to both males and females age 12 through 17. The program services a broad range of individuals requiring intensive professional assistance and therapy for behavioral or emotional problems in a highly structured, self-contained environment. The program shall not discriminate in admission practices in regard to race, color, gender, religion, ancestry, national origin, disability or co-occurring disorder.
2. Applicants must be experiencing problems related to one or more of the current DSM psychiatric disorder diagnostic categories. Due to the wide range of diagnostic profiles served, the program admission criteria do not restrict admissions on the basis of diagnostic condition. All applications for admission are reviewed on a case-by-case basis.
3. Applicants must be reasonably expected to benefit from or halt further regression of their condition through the services provided.
4. Applicants must not present the threat of serious risk of physical or sexual harm to self or others within the context of the treatment environment provided.
5. Applicants must have sufficient intellectual capacities such that they can be reasonably expected to benefit from and participate in the therapeutic and educational services provided. Historical experience with admissions suggests that those applicants with a Full Scale IQ of 68 or below have had difficulty benefiting from the services provided.
6. In the event of co-occurring chemical dependency, applicants shall not need medical detoxification at the time of admission. Prior chemical dependency assessment is preferred.
7. Pre-arrangement of funding is a required criterion.

All applications must be submitted prior to admission to allow for Program Coordinator and Treatment Team review to determine admission eligibility and appropriateness.

Admissions for the purpose of evaluation (for appropriateness) will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

Admissions are prioritized on a first-come, first-served basis with the consideration of which group best meets the referral child's needs, as each group has a specialty subgroup for which it serves. An additional consideration is the status of the child's safety until the admission can take place.