

# Woodward Resource Center (WRC)

## Center of Excellence (CoE) Outreach Team

June 2025

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Link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/WRCcoe-pre>



# Woodward Resource Center (WRC) Center of Excellence (CoE)

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<b>Mission</b>	The WRC CoE works to strengthen community-based support that promotes optimal quality of life for individuals through expert training, consultation, and collaborative leadership.
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<b>Vision</b>	The WRC CoE strives to foster inclusive communities across Iowa in which individuals have full access to the care and opportunities they need and desire.
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<b>Values</b>	The WRC CoE is grounded in the following values: Prevention-Focused Solution, Commitment to Quality of Life, Sustainability and Empowerment and Excellence in Collaboration and Inclusivity.
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CoE began in March 2024 as the GRC Strike Team

Strike Team consisted of 6 members


The CoE is now a permanent support arm of HHS/WRC

# Phases

**Phase 1: Glenwood Resource Center (GRC) Transition Monitoring:** Fulfill the State's obligation for GRC transition monitoring in accordance with the DOJ/HHS/GRC Consent Decree. The WRC CoE will employ staff to conduct such monitoring.



**Phase 2: Consultation Services:** Promote improved community service outcomes, including reducing risk for individuals with an intellectual disability, by helping community providers identify barriers to healthy living.



**Phase 3: Crisis Assessment and Stabilization:** Provide an opportunity for short term assessment, stabilization and initial skill development at WRC for individuals with an intellectual disability to ensure a successful return to a more integrated community setting.

# Phase 1: Glenwood Resource Center (GRC) Transition Monitoring

# Transitions from Glenwood Resource Center

147	Total transitions from April 2022-June 2024
27	Woodward Resource Center (WRC)
82	Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) community homes
9	Other ICF/IID
16	Host homes
6	Nursing facilities
7	Hospice

# Phase 2: Consultation Services

# Consultation Services

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Promote improved community service outcomes, including reducing risk for individuals with an intellectual disability, by helping community providers identify barriers to healthy living.

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A team of clinical experts provide support for individual referrals

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A team provides training and education on a variety of topics

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To qualify, the individual must be eligible to receive Medicaid services





# Center of Excellence Team



Over 200 years  
of combined  
experience

- Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (I/DD)
- Complex health and behavioral healthcare needs



Support through  
assessment,  
consultation,  
record review,  
plan  
development,  
training and more



Support may be  
provided by an  
individual  
clinician or a  
team of clinicians

# Specialized Team Members

- ▶ Nurse Specialist
- ▶ Speech and Language Pathologist (SLP)
- ▶ Physical Therapist (PT)
- ▶ Occupational Therapist (OT)
- ▶ Two Training Specialists
- ▶ Psychology Administrator (BCBA –D)
- ▶ Board Certified Behavior Analyst (BCBA)



## WRC CoE - Phase 2 Offerings\*:

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Acute health concerns

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Chronic health conditions

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Preventative plan for illness

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Feeding and swallowing safety

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Mealtime supports

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Fall injuries and prevention

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Gross and fine motor skills

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Daily living skills

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Routines

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Sensory regulation

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Communication

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Behavior concerns

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Data collection

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Exercise

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Adaptive equipment

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Mobility

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Positioning

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Accessibility/modifications

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Gross and fine motor skills

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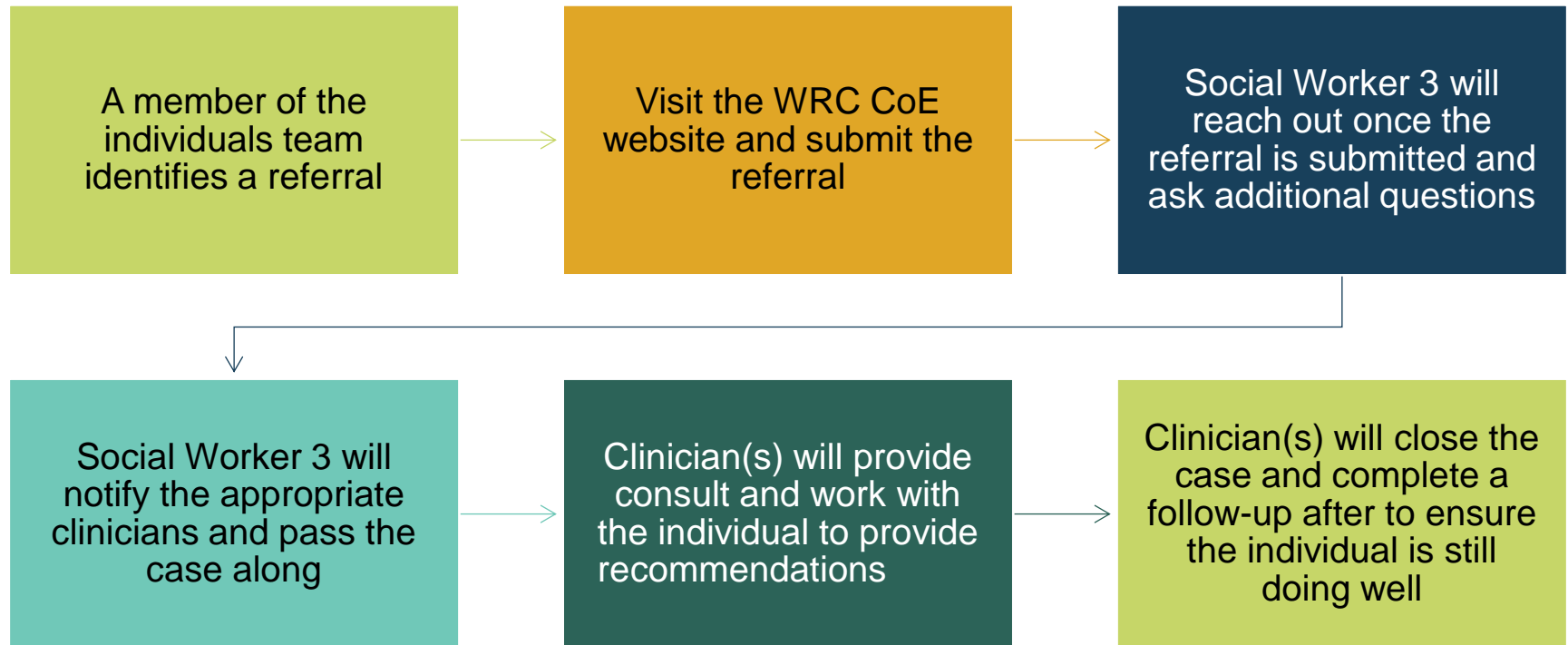
Individualized educational trainings

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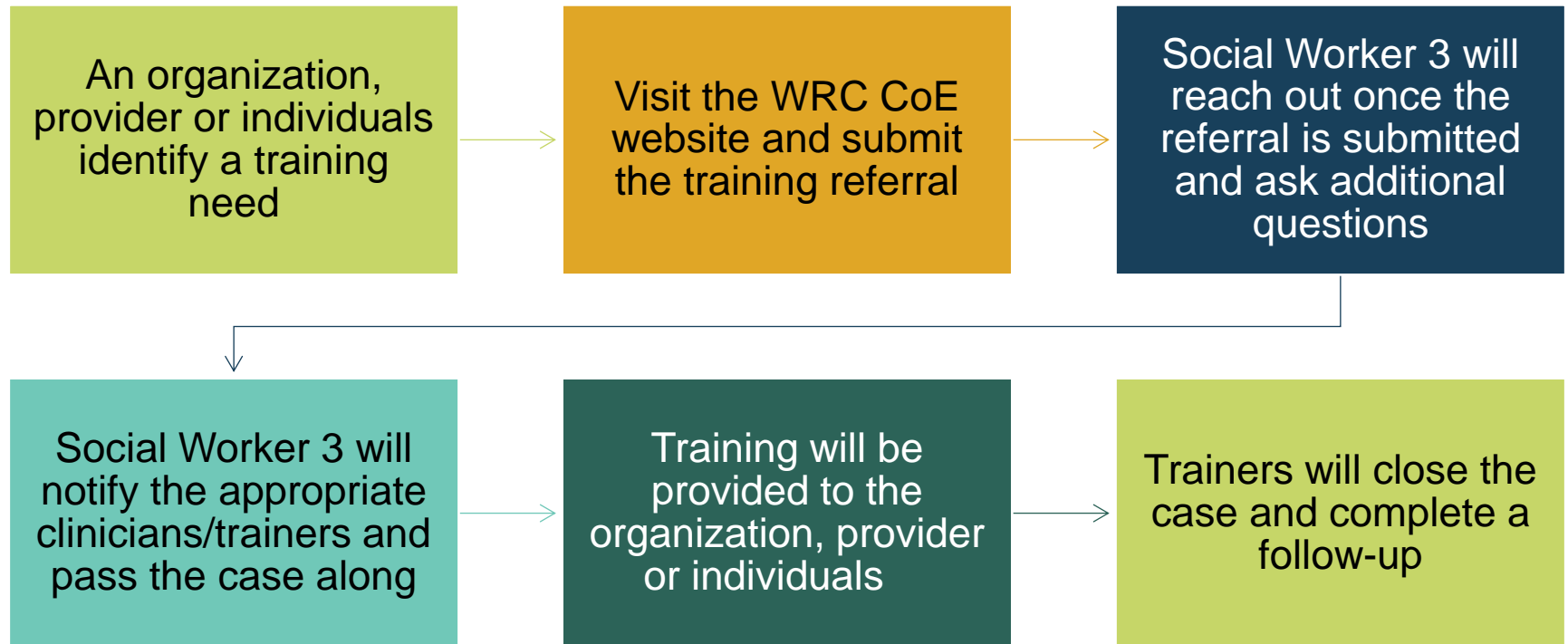
\*This is not a comprehensive list of offerings WRC CoE may support

# Individual Referral Process

<https://hhs.iowa.gov/specialty-care-facilities/woodward-resource-center/wrc-center-excellence>



# Training Referral Process



# Consultation Success Story

# Phase 3: Crisis Assessment and Stabilization

# Crisis Assessment & Stabilization

- ▶ Provide an opportunity for short-term assessment, stabilization and initial skill development at WRC
- ▶ Ensure a successful return to a more integrated community setting for individuals with intellectual disability
- ▶ Funded by appropriations
  - Reduce census and utilize current appropriation
  - Request additional appropriation
- ▶ This will be a short-term WRC admission; therefore, will have to have an Intellectual Disability (ID) diagnosis
- ▶ Reduce overall facility census to 100





# Questions?

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