

Lawrence County Council of Community Services

The Highland House, Inc.

Agency/Organization:

Programs:

Site 1

Highland House, 724*654*7760 halfway house for women
312 Highland Ave., New Castle

Site 2

Highland Outpatient 724*856*7211 Men, women, adolescents
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Eligibility Requirements : Halfway House

CRITERIA FOR ADMISSION

Highland House is a long-term residential program designed for women over the age of eighteen who are in recovery from drug and/or alcohol addictions. It is state licensed and CARF accredited. To be eligible for this program, a woman must have completed an inpatient drug/alcohol treatment program within the past year. The clients are referred by a drug and alcohol treatment professional working in the field, and meet the criteria set forth by the Pennsylvania Client Placement Criteria.

A potential participant must be a resident of Pennsylvania. She must be motivated and willing to commit to a long-term program. Dually diagnosed clients deemed able to understand and benefit from the program will be accepted. However, a woman diagnosed as being psychotic or with a mental health diagnosis that is her primary treatment focus is not appropriate for the program and will be referred to local mental health agencies for services.

The program design is to serve recovering adult women from the state of Pennsylvania. Clients can be referred by several sources, including SCA's, inpatient treatment centers, criminal justice agencies, etc. Upon referral, the potential client completes an Initial Intake Information form over the telephone with a designated staff person. If the client requests and the referral source can provide transportation, a visit will be arranged. When the Initial Intake form is completed, the Executive Director shall make a decision about the client's appropriateness for the program based upon the above information and the PCPC criteria. If she is deemed appropriate, the referring professional or the client is given an admission date.

Eligibility Requirements: **Outpatient**

Highland Outpatient Services accept persons who are 13 years of age or older, who reside in Lawrence County (or surrounding region/ counties with whom a contract exists), are in need of outpatient alcohol and other drug treatment and supportive services. Candidates for treatment may include those who have completed prior treatment program, including rehabilitation, halfway house or outpatient programs. Both intensive and regular outpatient services will be available, and based on an assessment, they would be admitted to the appropriate treatment level.

For example, those with no withdrawal risk; stable emotional, behavioral and biomedical conditions; that seem to be open and willing to accept treatment; would be a good candidate for regular outpatient treatment. This would be a client who would appear to be able to maintain abstinence with minimal support and has a relatively safe and supportive place to live.

A candidate for intensive outpatient care would include a person with minimal withdrawal risk and enough resistance that requires a structured program. The client's environment may be unsupportive, and they may need close monitoring to reduce their likelihood of relapse. This client would require an outpatient setting which would be more intensive than regular outpatient, but less intensive than residential. The client may qualify for IOP treatment services even if they have not been in a prior treatment program.

The program is a voluntary one, however, admission of clients who are compelled by other legal authorities are accepted when the client agrees to this arrangement and demonstrates a willingness to participate in the treatment program, attend scheduled activities, and work on treatment goals.

The physically challenged will be accepted to the program to the extent that the physical structure of the facility and the staff can accommodate their special needs. The offices are wheelchair accessible. Every effort will be made to consider and accommodate a candidate who is physically challenged.

Candidates with serious physical or mental conditions may not be accepted, depending upon the extent of the condition and the ability of the program to meet special needs. Highland Outpatient does accept dually diagnosed clients, provided the primary diagnosis is alcoholism and/or drug addiction. Candidates with certain mental or psychiatric disorders, specifically those with retardation, those who suffer from primary mental illness (other than alcohol or drug dependency), and those with personality disorders which are exacerbated by intensive social interaction will not be admitted. Those who are considered highly dangerous to themselves or others (i.e. suicidal or homicidal) will not be admitted.

Population Served: Highland House Women 18-60

Population Served: Highland Outpatient age 13-60 Men, Women, Adolescents

Statement of Services:

Halfway House Individual and Group Therapy, Psycho/Educational Groups, Life Skills Training, Nutritional/Health Education, Vocational/Educational Assessment, Education, Job Referrals, Money Management Skills, Support for 12 Step Participation, job training referrals, Money Management Skills, Participation, Family Counseling/Education, Stress Management, /Relaxation, Spirituality, Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault Awareness. Relapse Prevention, Medical /Dental Referrals, Social/Recreational Activities, Housing referrals, Follow-up/Aftercare support services, Community Outreach/Education.

Statement of Services: Outpatient

Individual Counseling, Group Counseling, Family Sessions/Education, Life Skills Training, Support for 12-Step Participation, Spirituality, Relapse Prevention

Mission Statement:

To create quality treatment
That empowers adolescents and adults in recovery to
Reflect, Redirect and Begin Again.

Vision

To operate the best Treatment Program in Pennsylvania that impacts families, communities and individuals to be healthy, hope filled, and drug and alcohol free.

Values

- ❖ *Honor the dignity and worth of each individual.*
- ❖ *Compassion*
- ❖ *Excellence*
- ❖ *Stewardship*
- ❖ *Integrity*

Expectations

- ❖ *Continuous Improvement*
- ❖ *Comparative Excellence*
- ❖ *Outstanding Reputation.*