

What is Secure Care?

Secure Care is long term locked facility for youth who are ordered into JJS custody. It has 24-hour monitoring and supervision. Secure Care is focused on treatment, accountability and community protection.

Your Responsibilities

You must keep a current address and notify us of any changes in your family situation. You are also required to:

- Provide your child with clothing, personal belongings and medical needs not covered by Medicaid.
- Complete and return the Medicaid application packet.
- Make contact with the Office of Recovery Services (ORS) because they govern child support. You can visit their website at www.ors.utah.gov, or call them at 801-536-8500.

Your Child Was Ordered to JJS Custody in a Secure Care Facility

What's Next?

When your child arrives at secure care, they will meet with a therapist from Juvenile Justice Services (JJS). The staff member will get to know your child. The staff member will tell your child about the facility and what to expect. This is called the intake process. During intake, your child will be able to call you. You will also be told when you can visit your child. Your involvement is important to your child's success.

Your child will:



Be seen by a nurse



Receive clothes when they arrive



Receive healthy meals and snacks

Visiting

Parents, legal guardians, attorneys, clergy and other professionals may also visit your child. All other visitors must be approved by the individual facility. These visitors must be noted in the visitor's logbook or the visit with your child will be denied. It is your child's duty to work with a staff member to have visitors approved. All visitors can be searched and will need to clear a metal detector. Any item not pre-approved found during the search will be taken and the event will be recorded. This is to ensure the safety of youth and staff.

More Information

A parent packet and information about visiting times, school details and family activities is available online at jjs.utah.gov/parents. If you do not have access to the internet, we can give you a printed copy.



Programs Offered:

Your child will go to school and receive treatment opportunities that promote general well-being.



Family Involvement

We want you to be involved with your child and their treatment. We encourage you to be part of Child and Family Team Meetings and family therapy. We would also like you to visit your child often.



Education

Your child will attend school on weekdays provided by the local school district.



Treatment

Your child and your family will receive therapy to address your individual needs.



Court Obligations

Your child will be able to work off fines and community service hours.



Medical/Dental/Vision

Your child will receive check ups. Your child may also be assessed for medication management.



Vocational Training and Certifications

Your child could learn some of the following job skills in secure care: carpentry, ServSafe, food handlers permit, OSHA, first aid, CPR, Flagger Training, Alive at 25, bicycle collective, Roots of Success and culinary arts. These Services are based on local availability.