



# AXIS I CENTER OF BARNWELL CLIENT ORIENTATION MANUAL



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## **Welcome to Axis I Center!**

Alcohol and drug abuse/addiction are complex, life-threatening issues. Our goal is to help the family, friends and those who suffer get the help they deserve. We understand how confusing this process can be and the impact it has on the family.

More than a million persons like you – women and men of every possible description, who may have found themselves struggling with a substance use disorder – have taken charge of their lives and are free of these destructive dependencies today.

At Axis I Center, we understand a diagnosis of alcoholism or other drug addiction, without expert assessment and diagnosis, can be a struggle for answers and is often an exhausting search that offers no resolution. Our assessment process leads to an accurate diagnosis along with recommendations designed to help individuals make informed decisions about the next step.

Our diverse outpatient treatment programs allow us to serve individuals and families from many levels of financial ability. If warranted, recommendations following your assessment may include a substance abuse program or treatment.

Our approach to treatment is based on respect for the dignity of the people we serve and the belief that addiction is a treatable disease. Axis I Center's programs and services offer a specialized, state of the art, innovative treatment approach to address the unique needs of the individual.

We believe that people can be in recovery and live a full and rich life. To this end, we created an atmosphere in which growth and recovery become attainable goals. We are here to help each of you in every way possible.

Sincerely,

*Pamela F. Rush*

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Executive Director

## **ABOUT US**

The Barnwell County Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse (Axis I Center of Barnwell) was established in 1973 as a nonprofit outpatient organization that serves as the Act 301 (1973) substance abuse authority in Barnwell County, South Carolina. Axis I offers nationally accredited and licensed services – including education, prevention and treatment to meet the needs of individuals, families, and groups in Barnwell County and surrounding areas experiencing alcohol and/or drug related problems.

**OUR VISION** is to build a healthier community that embraces lifestyle changes through recovery from problems that arise from alcohol, other substance misuse, and high-risk behaviors.

## **OUR MISSION STATEMENT**

The mission of the Barnwell County Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse (dba Axis I Center of Barnwell) is to empower the residents of Barnwell County to become safer and healthier by reducing the negative effects of alcohol, tobacco, other drugs, and high-risk behaviors.

## **PHILOSOPHY**

The Axis I Center of Barnwell recognizes addiction is a treatable, primary, chronic, progressive disease, that is prone to relapse and can be fatal.

The Axis I Center uses a client centered bio-psychosocial approach to treatment. While methods and techniques will vary, all involve a teaching / learning process to facilitate behavior change and personal growth of the individual and family.

## **OUR CORE VALUES**

Axis I Center is committed:

- To decrease the negative effects of alcohol and other drug abuse and dependence.
- To promote awareness and understanding of the dangers of alcohol and other drug abuse.
- To treat each client with dignity and respect.
- To uphold the right of each client to self-determination and absolute confidentiality.
- To provide services in a caring and non-judgmental manner.

Axis I Center is nationally accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF) and adheres to the definition of addictive disease as developed by the American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM) and the standards for service placement. Axis I Center is a charter member of Behavioral Health Services Association of South Carolina. The South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control and the South Carolina Department of Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Services performs an annual review of Axis I Center.

*Thank you for allowing Axis I Center the opportunity to serve you.*

### **Client Care Team**

During your time here you will be assigned a primary counselor who will oversee your treatment. You may also have additional services provided by other counselors; however your primary counselor will be your main contact for person-centered treatment planning, transition planning, referrals for other services, and discharge planning.

We also have Peer Support Specialists who work with you as you develop and implement your personal recovery plan. They serve as a support system throughout your services and recovery. Peer support helps clients to build community support networks, advocate for themselves in order have a healthier lifestyle, and to use the tools developed in treatment to sustain sobriety.

### **Ethical/Professional Expectations of Counseling Staff**

Individuals seeking services from the Axis I Center of Barnwell will not be discriminated against on the basis of race, religion, language group, age, gender, disability, sexual orientation, or economic condition. Axis I Center staff understands their responsibility to clients, confidentiality, professional competency and integrity, financial arrangements, and inter-professional relationships. They are dedicated to respecting the rights of the persons served and will work to ensure that services are accessible and appropriate. Staff will respect and protect the confidences of clients in accordance with federal law and will make financial arrangements with clients and third party payers that conform to acceptable professional practices. You can expect a high standard of professional competency and integrity, professional boundaries and limitations of competencies, and to be treated with respect, courtesy, and fairness.

### **Accessibility**

Axis I Center of Barnwell promotes accessibility of services to all residents of Barnwell County regardless of race, religion, gender, age, handicap, sexual orientation or ability to pay for services. Axis I Center is committed to ongoing efforts to remove biases and barriers, including attitudinal barriers. Reasonable accommodations are made to ensure that the services and facilities are accessible to all clients, visitors, staff, and other stakeholders.

1. Clients and visitors requiring the use of services animals, i.e. seeing eye dog will be permitted upon Axis I Center of Barnwell premises.
2. Clients in need of services not provided by Axis I Center of Barnwell or clients determined to be ineligible for services will be provided with referrals to appropriate services with as much accommodation as possible.
3. Clients will not be denied services based on their inability to pay. If ability to pay is an issue special financial arrangements will be made.
4. Axis I Center of Barnwell is committed to developing and providing reasonable accommodations for people who may need assistance in communicating. Reasonable accommodations include, but are not limited to, arranging for and providing interpreters for the hearing impaired; providing tapes, materials in Braille or reading to the visually impaired; providing tapes and alternative materials for the cognitively impaired; and arranging change in service location.

Foreign language interpreters and materials will be utilized to provide services/information to those clients/visitors who do not speak English.

### **Hours of Operation, Telephone Number & Emergency Number**

Monday – Thursday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; Friday 8:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., although group services are offered after hours. Check with your primary counselor for any individual needs you may have. Each counselor has a confidential voicemail where you can leave a message at any time. Counselors will return your call as soon as possible.

Scheduled appointments are preferred for all department services. However, if a counselor is available, walk-ins will be seen.

Anyone who experiences an after-hour emergency can call 211 assistance for their crisis or go to the nearest emergency room for medical assistance.

### **Inclement Weather Policy (ice or snow)**

During inclement weather, the Axis I Center operates under the school delays / closing schedule. Persons served may call (803) 541-1245 to inquire about weather delays/closing. The agency will also post weather delays with local television and radio stations.

### **Financial Responsibilities** *(Please see page 14-15 for Fee Schedule.)*

As a client, you are responsible for ensuring that the financial obligations of your healthcare are fulfilled as promptly as possible. If necessary, speak to your counselor about completing a financial assessment and/or setting up a payment plan.

Please note if you are referred to ADSAP (Prime for Life Curriculum), ADSAP Treatment, or Parenting further charges will be incurred. It is your responsibility to pay for all fees associated with these curriculums according to your Financial Agreement with this agency.

### **Expectations for Legally Required Appointments, Sanctions, Court Notifications**

Occasionally, clients are required to attend services through a court or other referral source. In those cases, counselors have the responsibility to notify your referral source of your progress and participation in treatment. Though this can be uncomfortable for you and may result in consequences from your referral source, it is important to remember that we represent your interests only, except in circumstances where public safety is concerned.

Axis I Center cannot require that you complete a consent form for a particular referral source. However, your referring source may require you complete a consent form.

### **Consent to Treatment**

No patient may participate in Axis I Center treatment services without having consented to do so. As such, all patients are offered a document wherein it is identified that Axis I Center “intends” to provide you with treatment services and, if you agree, that you have “consented” to it. Axis I Center may not compel you to engage in services, though it is entirely possible that you have been obligated to do so by an external referral source (DSS, PPP, SCDC, etc.). Any consequences for your failure to engage services or for a pre-mature administrative discharge would originate from that referral source and not from Axis I Center of Barnwell.

## **AXIS I CENTER'S SERVICES AND PROGRAMS**

### **PREVENTION SERVICES /PROGRAMS**

Prevention Services are designed to help Barnwell County residents of all ages avoid the dangers of using alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs. We strive to keep young people from experimenting with these substances and prevent the development of subsequent problems. To help in achieving this goal, the Axis I Center involves the community in developing and implementing comprehensive plans to address substance abuse through coalition focus.

At the Axis I Center; our programs are research based and proven effective. Using the Risk and Protective model, programs are designed to identify and reduce factors that place an individual or community at risk of experiencing problems, while at the same time, strengthening other identifiable factors that can help protect individuals and communities from developing problems. Consultation and training are available for schools, neighborhoods, businesses, faith-based organizations, and other community groups. Programs are continuously developed to address the current issues surrounding substance abuse in our communities.

**ATOD 101 Curriculum** was developed to provide youth and community members with needed education and information on the harms, consequences and current trends in substance use in Barnwell County. The curriculum contains a series of 6 sessions with information on the following substances: alcohol (including beer, wine, liquor, alcohol energy drinks), tobacco (including cigarettes, cigars, secondhand smoke, e-cigarettes, vape pens, and dip), marijuana, other drugs such as opioids and fentanyl. This presentation can be provided to students in grades 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> as well as any community group.

**LifeSkills Training (LST)** is the most widely used evidence-based tobacco, alcohol, drug abuse, and violence prevention program used in schools and communities. LST has been extensively tested and proven to reduce tobacco, alcohol, and illicit drug use by as much as 80%. It is effective with students in elementary, middle, and high school. Age-appropriate curriculum materials are used for each age group.

**Project Northland Curriculum** is a school- and community-based, alcohol-use-prevention curriculum series that aims to prevent and reduce alcohol use and binge-drinking by middle and high school students. It aims to delay and moderate the onset of alcohol use, reduce use among youths who have already tried alcohol, and limit the number of alcohol-related problems experienced by young drinkers. Alcohol is the drug most widely used by teens. Studies show that many teens begin drinking before their 13th birthdays. This early alcohol use is associated with health and social problems, including alcohol abuse and dependence, alcohol-related violence and injuries, issues related to drinking and driving, truancy, risky sexual behavior, and other drug use throughout adolescence and into adulthood.

Backed by more than eighteen years of research and more than forty-five scientific publications. Students participating in Project Northland showed a 30 percent reduction in weekly drinking and a 20 percent reduction in monthly drinking. Research also shows that Project Northland can significantly reduce teen marijuana and tobacco use.

The *target population* is students in middle and high schools. The program targets school children who are before and at the age of early alcohol initiation and offers them prevention and knowledge. The program also is concerned with parental and community awareness, with a particular emphasis on the commercial sale of alcohol to underage drinkers. The Project Northland curriculum includes: Slick Tracey-6<sup>th</sup> grade; Amazing Alternative-7<sup>th</sup> grade; and Powerlines-8<sup>th</sup> grade.

**Alcohol Enforcement Team (AET)** - Created to combat the issue of underage drinking in South Carolina communities through the implementation of evidence-based environmental strategies to reduce underage alcohol use and its harmful consequences. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Judicial Circuit Alcohol Enforcement Team conducts operations including alcohol compliance checks, party patrols, safety checkpoints, and offers education to clerks and managers on the laws and consequences regarding the sale of alcohol to minors. The AET also provides awareness events to educate the community of the consequences of underage drinking.

**Tobacco Education Program (TEP)** is a four-hour program focused on the myths and facts about tobacco and the consequences of its use. The program is offered to individuals by court mandate and also available to groups on a voluntary basis. Classes are held at the Axis I Center and are scheduled upon request.

**Alcohol Education Program (AEP)** – An eight-hour alcohol education program for youth under the ages of 21 who have been charged with Minor in Possession of Alcohol. Participants in this program must be referred to the Axis I Center by the Solicitor’s Office, Magistrate, or Law Enforcement. Classes are conducted at the Axis I Center and are scheduled upon request / need.

**Palmetto Retailers Education Program (PREP)-Merchant Education** - The Axis I Center offers the Palmetto Retailers Education Program (PREP), a comprehensive Merchant Education class to clerks, managers, owners of retail outlets or bars that sell alcohol and/or tobacco or serve alcohol in Barnwell County. This 3 ½ hour program enables participants to prevent alcohol or tobacco sales to minors, recognize signs of intoxication, and intervene with patrons who are already intoxicated. Servers, clerks, and bartenders who are trained in server education will greatly reduce liquor liability exposure, improve customer service, and ensure a safer, healthier Barnwell County. Violations of SC alcohol/liquor laws can result in a minimum of \$677 fine (includes court costs and fees), 30 days in jail, court costs, mandatory merchant education, and a possible alcohol/liquor license suspension or revocation. PREP classes are conducted at the Axis I Center and are scheduled quarterly or upon request.

**Eat Smart Move More Barnwell County/ Healthy Communities Network** - Created in 2012 through a grant from Healthy South Carolina’s Community Transformation funds, Eat Smart Move More Barnwell County (ESMMBC) coordinates prevention efforts in the areas of obesity, chronic disease, increased activity, healthy eating, and tobacco-free living across the county. The goal of ESMMBC is to create a healthier Barnwell County and eliminate health disparities through interventions that reduce death and disability due to tobacco use, poor nutrition, physical inactivity, diabetes, heart disease and stroke. To achieve this goal, ESMMBC promotes collaboration between community partners to promote healthy eating, active living, and a tobacco-free environment as essential parts of improving the health of Barnwell County citizens. In 2019, ESMMBC received a 3-year Duke Endowment Healthy People Healthy Carolinas grant to improve community health outcomes.

### **Comprehensive Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention Programs**

Evidenced-based prevention programs presented in the schools and community for students in 6<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> grades.

**Nu-CULTURE** (pronounced “new culture”) is the Healthy Futures classroom-based relationship education program for grades 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>. It includes daily parent connection forms

designed to engage parents in the topics covered and encourage open parent-teen communication. Nu-CULTURE is a 24-session program developed by Healthy Futures that provides middle school students with the knowledge, skills, and self-efficacy necessary to delay sexual activity and avoid the risk of teen pregnancy and sexually transmitted infections. The curriculum includes a variety of engaging activities designed to maximize student participation, including small group activities, role-plays, audiovisual materials, and daily parent connection forms. The Nu-CULTURE curriculum consists of eight 50-minute sessions each in the 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> grades, for a total of 24 sessions over the course of three years.

**Reducing the Risk - Building Skills to Prevent Pregnancy, HIV and STD** is a 16-session, school-based curriculum whose target audience is high school students in 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grades. This program is designed to reduce the number of youth engaging in unprotected sexual intercourse by: encouraging students to practice abstinence; encouraging the delay in the initiation of sex; encouraging condom and contraception use among sexually active youth. Research shows youth who participated in Reducing the Risk reported the following significant behavior changes: ✓ Delayed initiation of sexual intercourse ✓ Increased communication with parents about abstinence and contraception ✓ Increased condom use if sexually active ✓ Increased contraceptive use if sexually active ✓ Reduced incidence of unprotected sex.

**Girls Circle** is a structured support group for girls ages 9-18 years that promotes healthy, positive relationships and a healthy sense of self-worth/value. The goal of Girls' Circle is to create an environment for girls that promotes a sense of safety, respect, and nonjudgement where girls can voice concerns and current issues, problem-solve, promote positive development ultimately empowering adolescent girls to develop to their full potential. In the weekly support groups, the girls take turns talking and listening to one another about their concerns and interests. The girls can express themselves through creative or focused activities such as role playing, drama, journaling, poetry, dance, drawing, etc. Support group topics include "Connecting With Each Other", "Expressing Myself", "Accepting Myself-Self Worth/Self-Esteem", "Cultivating Respect", "Expressing My Feelings", "Healthy Relationships", "Girl fights or Girlfriends?", "Active Listening". To participate in a Girls' Circle Group, girls must make a commitment to attend the scheduled meetings, participate in group discussions, and agree to follow the group confidentiality guidelines. Girls' Circle has been proven to increase • School Attachment • Educational Expectation • Educational Aspirations • Social Support • Positive Body Image • Self-efficacy • Communicating with Adults • Use of Condoms (if sexually active). Girls' Circle has been shown to decrease: • Number of Sex Partners (if sexually active) • Alcohol and Drug Use • Self-Harm.

**The Council for Boys and Young Men (aka Boys Council)** is a strengths-based support group to promote boys' and young men's safe and healthy passage through pre-teen and adolescent years. Boys' Council support groups are for boys and young men ages 9-18. Support groups focus on skill building, communication, active listening, teamwork, conflict resolution, development of healthy/positive relationships, and goal setting. The groups promote development of positive relationships with peers and adult male role models that increase participants feelings of belonging, a sense of family, and a place to receive support for stressors that often stem from home, family, and school as well as build leadership capabilities. Boys' Council has been proven to increase: • School Engagement • Educational Goals • Confidence in Avoiding Fighting • Ethnic Pride and Tolerance for Diversity • Conflict Skills. This model has been effective in reducing • Aggression • Rigid/ harmful beliefs about male identity sometimes referred to as "Man Box", such as you must "be tough; don't show feelings; don't ask for help;

dominate (physically, sexually, etc.).” To participate, boys and young men must agree to attend scheduled group sessions and follow group confidentiality guidelines.

## INTERVENTION PROGRAMS / SERVICES

**Alcohol and Drug Safety Action Program (ADSAP/DUI)** – The South Carolina Alcohol and Drug Safety Action Program (ADSAP) provides assessment, education, intervention, and treatment services mandated by Section 56-5-2990 of the Code of Law of South Carolina 1976, as amended. State law requires successful completion of the ADSAP by all individuals who are convicted of driving under the influence (DUI) or driving with an unlawful alcohol concentration (a blood alcohol concentration of .08% or greater); are referred by the SC Department of Natural Resources (SCDNR) for boating under the influence (BUI); or have had their licenses suspended through the state’s Administrative License Revocation (ALR) procedure. *(See Pages 14 - 16 for Program Requirements and Fee/Financial Information.)*

**Gambling Counseling** – All clients are asked to complete a gambling screen to determine any potential problems. Treatment is available for those who want help for their gambling addiction.

**Nicotine Counseling** – Counseling is available for those individuals who wish to stop smoking. The agency does not provide replacement therapy (such as patches or gum which is designed to promote smoking cessation). *1-800-QUIT NOW.*

**Employee Assistance Program (EAP)** – For individuals who are self-referred or mandated by the employers who have contracted with Axis I to provide short term counseling for a variety of personal and work-related issues.

**Drug Screening** - Axis I offers drug screening for the general public upon request and appointment as well as persons referred by Employers and other agencies/organizations whom Axis I contracts with. All drug screens are conducted at the Axis I Center and follow a chain of custody. *(See Page 13 for additional information.)*

**DOT Evaluation** – A Substance Abuse Professional (SAP) completes evaluation and intensive case management for these safety sensitive employees’ return to work.

**Partners in Parenting** module was designed to address the parenting needs and concerns of parents in substance abuse treatment programs. This 8-session workshop focuses on concepts important for parenting effectiveness such as communication skills, guidance techniques, and positive discipline strategies. The emphasis is on building skills, providing support, and helping parents understand the needs and abilities of children during different stages of development.

## ADOLESCENT AND ADULT OUTPATIENT TREATMENT SERVICES

### **Program Criteria**

#### **Adolescent Admission Criteria:**

- ✓ Must be 12 years of age and up to 18 years of age.
- ✓ If under the age of 16, a parent or guardian must provide written permission for participation in services.

#### **Adult Admission Criteria:**

- ✓ Must be 19 years of age or older.

#### **In addition to the above admission criteria, all participants must:**

- ✓ Must have a substance related issue for which the person served is seeking assistance; however, a substance use diagnosis is not necessarily a requirement for admission.
- ✓ Persons served must not be demonstrating behaviors that indicate that they are in imminent threat to self or others.

### **Discharge Criteria for Adults and Adolescents**

#### **Successful Completion:**

- ✓ Persons served must regularly attend recommended treatment services.
- ✓ Persons served must consistently provide urine screens free of illegal mood altering substances.
- ✓ Persons served must successfully complete 75% to 100% of Individualized Plan of Care (IPOC) goals.

#### **Unsuccessful Completion:**

- ✓ Persons served do not attend recommended treatment services.
- ✓ Persons served fail to comply with program requirements – consistent rule violations, not adhering to attendance requirements or do not respond to written correspondence from clinical and / or administrative staff.
- ✓ Persons served experience recurrent illegal mood-altering substances in urine screens.
- ✓ Persons served fail to address goals on Individualized Plan of Care (IPOC).
- ✓ Persons served will be terminated from services for aggressive or violent behavior.

**Ineligible for Services:** Individuals who are deemed inappropriate for admission to Axis I Center services will be given a referral to a resource which may meet their need(s).

### **COURSE OF TREATMENT/TYPES OF SERVICES**

**Crisis Intervention** – Is an immediate method of intervention that can include stabilization of the person in crisis, counseling and advocacy, as well as information and referral based on the assessed need of the individual.

**Individual Counseling** – The client meets one-on-one with their assigned counselor to develop an understanding of the disease of addiction, stages of recovery, and establishment of a support system.

**Group Counseling** – Group settings are developed to serve the various needs of clients. Groups are either process-oriented or skills based and placement in these groups is based on your assessed needs as well as your mutually agreed upon treatment goals.

*Recovery 101 – Tuesday: 4:30 – 6:00*

*Women’s Empowerment – Wednesday: 9:00 – 11:00*

*Pathways to Recovery – Tuesday and Wednesday: 3:00 – 4:30*

*Keeping it Real (adolescents) – Wednesday: 3:30 – 5:00*

**Intensive Outpatient Program (IOP)** – IOP Group meets at least 9 hours weekly, to provide substance abuse education and counseling, coping skills development, support and symptom management (formally known as relapse prevention) counseling, and individual counseling.

*New Beginnings – Monday, Tuesday, Thursday: 9:00 – 12:00*

**Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT)** – Axis I, in partnership with Ohio Valley Physicians (OVP), now offer clients access to primary healthcare and evidence-based Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) services in combinations with counseling and behavioral therapies. This “whole-patient” approach has been shown to:

- Improve birth outcomes among women with substance use disorders while pregnant
- Decrease opiate/opioid use and overdose deaths
- Increase retention in, and satisfaction with, treatment
- Improve well-being through effective management of withdrawal symptoms

OPV offers two F.D.A approved drugs for opioid treatment — **buprenorphine** (Suboxone), and **naltrexone** (Vivitrol) — *and are proven safe and effective, combined with counseling and other behavioral intervention strategies*. These treatment options show evidence in treating addiction by reducing overall drug cravings, managing withdrawal symptoms, and sustaining recovery.

**Peer Support Services** – Peer Support Specialists offer peer to peer recovery coaching using their own life experience to help guide each client to their own path of recovery. Peer Support sessions are person centered and allows beneficiaries to prevent relapse, be empowered to make healthy decisions, and work towards their treatment goals while building a recovery network in the community. Our peer coaches work to guide each client through self-improvement activities that empowers the client to increase self-advocacy and self-worth.

*Hope in Recovery – Friday: 10:00 -11:00*

**Family Involvement** – We believe that substance abuse impacts the whole family. All of our services include ways for your family to be involved as well as you. When families get involved, treatment is more successful, and family relationships are more likely to improve. Without family participation, you are less likely to succeed in treatment and more likely to have more problems later; therefore, regular involvement in services by at least one family member is a requirement of all our services. If a family thinks this may be a problem, they should discuss it as early as possible with the primary counselor.

**Referrals** - The Axis I Center makes referrals to detoxification, other inpatient services, along with referrals to other agencies as needed to address each person’s individual needs (Referrals can include food, clothing, transportation, and support groups like Celebrate Recovery or AA/NA).

## WHAT TO EXPECT

Upon entering services, we will recommend the least intensive services we think will help you be successful. If alcohol or other drug use continues, more problems occur or the treatment doesn't seem to be working, we may recommend more intensive level of care.

### **Your Assessment: Purpose and Process**

Every client engaged in alcohol and other drug (AOD) treatment services at the Axis I Center of Barnwell must have participated in an assessment. Clients in Outpatient, Intensive Outpatient Services, Adolescent Services, ADSAP, or Medication Assisted Treatment Services engage in this process prior to their admission. A counselor will perform the assessment with the client. The assessment consists of numerous questions aimed at helping the clinician to accurately determine a client's service needs as well as what level of care would be most appropriate. It is very important to this process and to each client's care that they answer all questions as honestly and accurately as possible so that clinical decisions are based on correct information. This process can last up to 2 hours. If a client is being considered for Medication Assisted Treatment Services (MAT), a GPRA survey is also required which may take an additional 45 minutes.

### **Step 2: Treatment Team/Service Coordination**

At Axis I we make treatment decisions as a team. Once your assessment is completed, your counselor will review the clinical impressions/findings of your assessment with the treatment team. At this time, you will also be assigned a primary counselor who will coordinate your treatment services.

### **Step 3: Individualized Plan of Care (IPOC)**

All clients participating in AOD treatment services will work with their assigned counselor to develop an Individual Plan of Care (IPOC). Client input in this process is essential as we work to ensure that all treatment plans are "individualized." Each plan is custom tailored to fit the strength, needs, abilities, and preferences of persons served. These agreed upon goals are created with your direct input to develop measurable treatment objectives, recommended therapeutic services, and other recommended activities, and include anticipated achievement dates. The IPOC is updated and changed periodically as the needs of the client changes and goals are achieved. You can also request a copy of your IPOC (treatment plan) at any time.

### **Step 4: Transition Planning**

The overall process of transition planning is to facilitate a smooth transition to discharge from the program / services. A successful completion may indicate the client is ready to be discharged from services. An unsuccessful completion may indicate the client needs to be referred to a higher level of care or discharge.

All clients who have transitioned out of services successfully or unsuccessfully will be contacted within 90 to 120 days to discuss their status. Persons served must sign a Release of Information to participate in the follow-up survey. This signed consent will be obtained at time of assessment / intake.

### **Continuum of Care / Length of Services**

Every client's needs are unique to themselves and their life circumstances. As such, the course of treatment and the related services for each client may vary greatly. Treatment services are based upon a client's progress toward the mutually agreed upon goals established in the IPOC.

Treatment experiences are generally not time limited. Clients should engage in conversation with their counselor regarding their personal course of treatment.

Treatment is not an easy process. You may experience times of sadness, anxiety and/or loneliness, but you'll also find moments of joy, laughter and hope as you move through the process. It's likely you'll make new and meaningful friendships amongst your peers and forge new, honest connections with those who are currently in your life.

*NOTE: Treatment for clients in ADSAP may not exceed 1 year as established in legislation.*

### **Urine Drug Screening**

Urine Drug Screens (UDS) are conducted randomly in all services as an aid in the treatment process. They are a requirement to participate in our services and refusal to give a specimen when asked will result in a report of a positive result for drugs. Specimen will only be observed by a same sex staff member. This can be uncomfortable at first and if you have concerns please speak to your counselor. Urine Drug Screening is a part of your treatment but is intended to be respectfully conducted and not punitive.

1. Testing may not be done at every session, but you should be prepared to provide a specimen if requested.
2. It is much better to tell your counselor if your specimen may be positive for drugs before it is given than admit use after the results have come back.
3. Any attempt to try to tamper with or fake a UDS may result in discharge from services.
4. When allowed with release forms, UDS results will be reported back to referral sources.
5. The prevailing use to this department will be for treatment considerations.

### **NARCAN**

Axis I Center of Barnwell is a designated community distribution site for the opioid reversal drug NARCAN. Anyone can get this FREE from us without a prescription. You don't have to be receiving services from us to get it, but you do have to participate in a 5-minute individual education session to learn how to administer Narcan. Family members, loved ones, friends, or concerned citizens can obtain Narcan in the event you are with/find someone who has overdosed. Any client can receive Narcan at any time. All clients are informed about Narcan as a part of the Axis I Center's "whole patient" approach to treatment.

## **FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

As a part of your orientation, a staff member will talk to you about a financial agreement and our refund policy. They can also answer questions you may have regarding costs, insurance and payments. We will work with you so that financial restraints are not a roadblock to your recovery. You will meet with one of our staff members to complete a financial assessment and finalize your payment plan.

Financial assistance is available, if you qualify, in order to maximize access to treatment while balancing the need to sustain Axis I and its mission for generations beyond our own. In addition, accepting personal responsibility to overcome addiction and find recovery is fundamental to the Axis I Treatment Model. Accordingly, to the extent possible, payment of services is primarily a responsibility of individual clients. Below you will find our current Fee Schedule.

## FEE SCHEDULE

<b>CLINICAL SERVICES</b>	<b>FEES FOR SERVICES</b>
Behavioral Health Screening	\$75.00
Assessment	\$192.00
Assessment Follow-up	\$96.00
Service Plan Development w/ client (Treatment Plan)	\$60.00
Service Plan Development w/o client (Treatment Plan)	\$35.00
Substance Abuse Counseling - Individual	\$96.00 per hour
Substance Abuse Counseling - Group	\$60.00 per hour
IOP (Intensive Outpatient Program)	\$132.00 per session
Crisis Intervention/Counseling	\$96.00
Family Counseling	\$120.00
Psychosocial Rehabilitative Services (PRS)	\$38.00

<b>PEER SUPPORT SERVICES</b>	<b>FEES FOR SERVICES</b>
Individual Support	\$15 - \$18.00 per hour
Group Support	\$16 per hour
<i>Note: Most private insurances may not cover this cost.</i>	

<b>DOT EVALUATION SERVICES</b>	<b>FEES FOR SERVICES</b>
DOT Evaluation	\$288
DOT Drug Screen	\$55 (additional \$10 for alcohol testing)
DOT Treatment Services	See Clinical Services for fees

<b>PACKAGED PROGRAM SERVICES</b>	<b>FEES FOR SERVICES</b>
(ADSAP) Prime for Life Education Program	\$500.00 (fee includes Behavioral Health Screen and Curriculum Fee) *this fee does not include drug screens
ADSAP Treatment Services (if necessary)	Not to exceed \$2,000 – see Clinical Services for fees
Palmetto Retailers Merchant Education (PREP)	\$15.00 per individual \$10.00 per employee if 5 or more is referred by a single employer \$50.00 if mandated by Magistrate’s Court for selling to a minor
Alcohol Education Program (AEP)	\$100.00
Parenting Education Program	\$200.00 (\$25.00 per session)

<b>URINE DRUG SCREEN</b>	
Urine Drug Screen (materials and screen)	\$55.00
Confirmation Request	\$35.00
DOT Urine Screen	<i>See DOT Evaluation Services</i>

<b>Miscellaneous Fees</b>	
Medical Record Copy Fee	\$12.00 up to 10 pages \$.50 per copy thereafter
Formal Letter Request	Up to \$25.00
Credit/Debit Card Convenience Fee	3.5% of payment

- Note:*
1. *FEES MAY CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE.*
  2. *PAYMENT IS EXPECTED AT TIME OF SERVICE DELIVERY in the form of cash, money order, or credit/debit card.*
  3. *All clinical service fees, peer support fees, and urine drug screen fees are based on customary Medicaid reimbursement rates.*

Insurance:

Clients must bring current Insurance Information (Axis I Center accepts Medicaid and other Private Insurances such as BCBS). The Axis I Center will file with selected insurance companies for certain services. Clients are made aware when insurance will not cover services and payment arrangements can be made.

Indigency:

No client in need of services will be turned away for inability to pay but MUST provide documentation of their inability to pay and complete a Financial Assistance Application to be declared indigent.

Financial Agreement:

Every client will sign a financial agreement that defines client's payment source, an opportunity to apply for financial assistance (if applicable) and to set payment arrangements for services. *If you are unable to meet the payment arrangement originally agreed upon*, we will renegotiate with you a manageable payment plan based on your documented income. In our ADSAP program, payment in full is a legislative requirement prior to the return of your license, so extending the payment period will extend the delay in reinstatement of SC licensure. Statements are mailed monthly from Axis I Center to keep you informed of your total outstanding balance and you can also speak to one of our administrative staff anytime for balance information and any other questions regarding your bill.

Outstanding Fees Information:

In the event outstanding fees are due (and no good faith effort has been made to pay for services rendered) Axis I Center contracts with the SC Department of Revenue to recover outstanding fees. Axis I currently participates in the Debt Setoff/ Governmental Enterprise Accounts Receivable (GEAR) Collections Programs, which are administered through the SC Department of Revenue. Failure to pay according to the established fee agreement may result in collection efforts such as setoff of state income tax refunds, garnishment of wages, levies against bank accounts and levies against savings and properties.

ADSAP (additional information):

Fees for ADSAP Program are set by DAODAS and the SC Code of Laws. The cost for ADSAP are to be paid prior to completion of ADSAP and eligibility to regain driving privileges. No paperwork of completion will be sent to SCDMV through DAODAS until all program requirements are met.

Cost Breakdown:

- \$75.00 ADSAP Assessment
- \$160.00 Full Assessment
- \$500.00 for ADSAP Assessment and Education
- \$2,000 for Assessment and Treatment
- \$2,500.00 for Education and Treatment

In accordance with Axis I's governing framework, no person will be refused services due to their inability to pay. A client enrolling in ADSAP and indicating inability to pay will be assessed by utilizing Axis I Center's Financial Assessment. The information gathered would be used to determine financial hardship or ability to pay, based upon indigent criteria. In some cases, a payment plan can be offered and in extreme cases Community Service may be offered as a form of restitution/payment.

Financial Arrangements for Clients Enrolling in ADSAP:

- A \$250 fee is due at time of ADSAP Enrollment and Assessment. In hardship cases \$130 is charged at time of Enrollment and Assessment with 60 days to pay any balance.
- When services have been initiated, i.e., entry into ADSAP, the cost for that service is non-refundable. However, if fees have been paid and the client withdraws prior to starting classes, any fees paid toward the curriculum will be refundable. Any refund must be requested within a one-year period of ADSAP Enrollment.

Refunds:

Client refunds will be prorated in accordance with the length of time spent in services.

Each ADSAP client seeking a refund must submit a written request to the ADSAP Program Administrator. Once the request has been received and approved, a refund will be forwarded to the client's mailing address within 30 business days.

## **Axis I Center of Barnwell's Policies**

### **Rights and Responsibilities of Clients**

1. To be entitled to respect and dignity in an environment that affords security and privacy;
2. To receive services that are protected under the laws of confidentiality and to receive a Privacy Notice as well as other information concerning your rights in regard to the use, storage and disclosure of healthcare information;
3. To receive services regardless of race, sex, national origin, creed, physical or mental handicap, or personal ability to pay;
4. To know the reasons for or purpose of the services provided and to consent to receiving these services;
5. To receive an individual evaluation and treatment based upon your needs, abilities and goals, including your active participation in the development of your individual plan of care;
6. To ensure that your needs and preferences are not neglected and to receive any information needed to make informed decisions concerning the services you receive;
7. To be assessed fees on an equitable basis;
8. To express your preferences concerning the choice of case manager, counselor or other service provider;
9. To review your records upon reasonable request and as provided by law;
10. To refuse treatment or withdraw from services at any time without affecting re-entry at a later time.\*
11. To be free from physical abuse, sexual abuse, harassment and physical punishment imposed by program employees;
12. To be free from psychological abuse, including humiliating, threatening, and exploitive action on the part of program employees;
13. To be free from fiduciary abuse associated with program employees holding in trust anything of value that belongs to you;
14. To be informed of and treated in compliance with the department's policy on seclusion, restraint, special treatment interventions and the restriction of rights;
15. To receive assistance from the program in facilitating access and referral to guardians, conservators, self-help groups, advocacy and legal services; and
16. To have privacy during visits unless contraindicated in the recovery and treatment process or as ordered by a physician or other authorized healthcare provider;

17. To have an investigation done on your behalf any time you believe one of your rights has been violated.
18. To have your property treated and handled responsibly and with respect.

### **Client Responsibilities**

#### *1. Providing Information:*

You are responsible for providing, to the best of your knowledge, accurate and complete information about current medications, past illnesses and hospitalizations, any medications you are taking, medication allergies and other matters relating to your health. You have the responsibility to report unexpected changes in your condition to your health practitioner.

#### *2. Refusal of Treatment:*

You are responsible for any consequences from your referral source or supervising department if you refuse treatment or do not follow the counselor's instructions.

#### *3. Treatment Plan:*

You are expected to participate in the development of your treatment plan.

#### *4. Financial Charges:*

As a client, you are responsible for ensuring that the financial obligations of your healthcare are fulfilled as promptly as possible.

#### *5. Attendance:*

**Clients other than ADSAP PRI and Partners in Parenting** are expected to attend no less than 85% of all scheduled group and or individual therapy sessions. PRI and Parenting clients must attend 100% of sessions to complete services. Clients are to call primary counselor any time an absence is to occur. Clients are also expected to be punctual.

#### *6. Dress Code:*

*Clients must be appropriately dressed at all times to include:*

- Supportive undergarments must be worn (bras and underwear).
- Shoes must be worn at all times.
- No attire promoting alcohol, drugs, cultural or racial bias will be worn.
- No provocative/revealing clothing will be acceptable.
- No sunglasses, hats, or hoodies to be worn while in the building.

### **Definitions:**

Conservator- keeper

Contraindicated- not advised

Creed- A statement of faith

Exploitive- make use of

Equitable- fair and reasonable

Fiduciary - trust

*\*Note: Withdrawal from participation in some programs may necessitate a delay in your re-admission to services. If your participation in this program is the result of involvement with the criminal justice system, your legal status may be jeopardized by withdrawal without court, probation or parole permission. Please make certain of your individual situation before withdrawal.*

**A copy of the Client Rights Policy is posted in the lobby.**

## **BEHAVIOR EXPECTATIONS OF A CLIENT**

### **Respect and Consideration**

You are responsible for being considerate of the rights of other clients and Axis I personnel. You must assist in the control of noise and honoring our smoke free environment. You are responsible for being respectful of the property of others and Axis I Center. **We have a ZERO tolerance for inappropriate language which includes: threats of harm towards staff and peers, profanity, any form of racial, ethnic or sexual orientation slurs.** In addition, please adhere to the following:

- Any type of violence or threats of violence
- Criminal behavior
- Bringing or possessing alcohol, illegal drugs, non-prescribed medications, or weapons on the premises
- Selling or distributing drugs to others on premises
- Consistently wearing attire promoting alcohol, drugs, cultural or racial bias.
- Disrespect of staff and or other patients by using obscene language
- Failure to comply with treatment expectations
- Failure to respect the personal space of others
- Consistent rule violations
- Attempting to adulterate a drug screen specimen/bringing someone else's urine for testing
- Attending less than 85% of scheduled services - IOP/Outpatient/ ADSAP 100%
- Consistently late to appointments

*Note: Engaging in these behaviors could lead to an immediate Administrative Discharge from services.*

### **Other Behavioral Expectations**

- Dress code (see above in "Client Responsibilities")
- *Electronic Devices:* Anything with an on or off switch must be in the off position when outpatient counseling sessions start (examples: cell phones, iPods, etc.) If they are heard during a session, they will be held by the counselor until the end of the session.
- *Cameras/Photography:* Clients may not take photos while on facility grounds.
- Clients reserve the right to have money; however, you are strongly discouraged from keeping large sums of money or valuables in your possession. Axis I Center of Barnwell is not responsible if money or valuables are stolen.
- Pairing-off, hooking-up, or any sexual relations between clients is highly discouraged.

## **Consent to Release Information**

As identified in the Confidentiality Policy section below, without your written consent:

*“Axis I Center of Barnwell may not say to a person outside Axis I Center of Barnwell that you attend the program, nor may Axis I Center of Barnwell disclose any information identifying you as an alcohol or drug abuser, or disclose any other protected information except as permitted by federal law.”*

At admission, or during the course of your treatment, it may be necessary for you to complete Consent forms with a staff member if you wish for us to be able to communicate with your referral source (DSS, PPP, SCDC, etc.). In addition, if you wish for us to be able to communicate with members of your family, friends, etc., you must also complete a consent form.

Axis I Center cannot require that you complete a consent form for your referral source, but often times those same agencies may require that you do so in order to communicate with your counselor. Please check with your referral source in order to confirm your responsibilities with them as far as consent forms are concerned.

## **CONFIDENTIALITY**

### **Your Privacy**

General Information regarding your health care, including payment for health care, is protected by two federal laws: the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 ("HIPAA"), 42 U.S.C. § 1320d et seq., 45 C.F.R. Parts 160 & 164, and the Confidentiality Law, 42 U.S.C. § 290dd-2, 42 C.F.R. Part 2. Under these laws, Axis I Center may not say to a person outside Axis I Center that you attend the program, nor may Axis I Center disclose any information identifying you as an alcohol or drug abuser, or disclose any other protected information except as permitted by federal law.

Axis I Center must obtain your written consent before it can disclose information about you for payment purposes. For example, Axis I Center must obtain your written consent before it can disclose information to your health insurer in order to be paid for services. Generally, you must also sign a written consent before Axis I Center can share information for treatment purposes or for health care operations. However, federal law permits Axis I Center to disclose information without your written permission:

1. Pursuant to an agreement with a business associate;
2. For research, audit or evaluations;
3. To report a crime committed on Axis I Center's premises or against Axis I Center personnel;
4. To medical personnel in a medical emergency;
5. To appropriate authorities to report suspected child abuse or neglect
6. As allowed by a court order

For example, Axis I Center can disclose information without your consent to obtain legal or financial services, or to another medical facility to provide health care to you, as long as there is a business associate agreement in place. Before Axis I Center can use or disclose any information about your health in a manner that is not described above, it must first obtain your specific written consent allowing it to make the disclosure. Any such written consent may be revoked by you in writing.

### **Your Rights**

Under HIPAA you have the right to request restrictions on certain uses and disclosures of your health information. Axis I Center is not required to agree to any restrictions you request, but if it does agree, it will be bound by that agreement and may not use or disclose any information which you have restricted except as necessary in a medical emergency. You have the right to request that we communicate with you by alternative means or at an alternative location. The Axis I Center will accommodate such requests that are reasonable and will not request an explanation from you. Under HIPAA, you also have the right to inspect and copy your own health information maintained by Axis I Center, except to the extent that the information contains psychotherapy notes or information compiled for use in a civil, criminal or administrative proceeding or in other limited circumstances.

Under HIPPA you also have the right, with some exceptions, to amend health care information maintained in Axis I Center's records, and to request and receive an accounting of disclosures of your health related information made during the six years prior to your request. You also have the right to limit sharing of you are paying out of pocket, opt out of fundraising activities, and to receive a paper copy of this notice. HIPPA prohibits the use or disclosure of genetic information and the sale of you PHI.

### **Axis I Center of Barnwell's Duties**

Axis I Center of Barnwell is required by law to maintain the privacy of your health information and to provide you with notice of its legal duties and privacy practices with respect to your health information. Axis I Center is required by law to abide by the terms of this notice. Axis I Center reserves the right to change the terms of this notice and to make new notice provisions effective for all protected health information it maintains. You will receive a copy of this notice at intake or upon request.

### **Complaints and Reporting Violations**

You may complain to Axis I Center of Barnwell and the Secretary of the United States Department of Health and Human Services if you believe that your privacy rights have been violated under HIPAA. Your complaint must be in writing and sent to: Privacy Officer, Axis I Center of Barnwell, 1644 Jackson Street, Barnwell, SC 29812. You will not be retaliated against for filing such a complaint. Violation of the Confidentiality Law by a program is a crime. Suspected violations of the Confidentiality Law may be reported to the United States Attorney in the district where the violation occurs. For further information, contact the Privacy Officer at (803)541-1245.

### **Code of Ethics**

Axis I has adopted an agency code of ethics as well as the National Association of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counselors Code of Ethics for each clinical staff member to follow and the South Carolina Association of Prevention Professionals and Advocates (SCAPPA Code) for prevention staff to follow. The Axis I Center Code of Ethics is displayed in the main lobby of the building.

## **CLIENT FEEDBACK AND INPUT**

At Axis I Center of Barnwell, we are always open to any ideas or suggestions that may allow us to improve our service. If you come up with an idea or suggestion, you may take on of the following steps:

1. Share with your counselor
2. Contact any staff member
3. Place a comment/suggestion in our Client Suggestion Box located in the lobby.

### **Quality of Care**

Core measures are maintained by the agency and are measured through anonymous client satisfaction surveys and telephone interviews each quarter and are compiled in a Quarterly Outcome Reports and the agency Annual Management Report.

### **Achievement of Outcomes**

The SC Department of Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Services (DAODAS) has implemented statewide outcome/follow up procedures for all county designated substance abuse agencies. Data is obtained from client admission forms, client discharge forms and post discharge surveys conducted by telephone.

### **Client Satisfaction**

During the course of treatment, you may be asked to complete a survey regarding your satisfaction with services. Once you complete services, with your consent, an Axis I representative may call to gather information about your satisfaction and progress after discharge.

Areas covered by the survey include, but are not limited to, alcohol and other drug (AOD) use in the past thirty days, AOD use to intoxication, your present living arrangements, your employment status, arrest information, school suspensions and expulsions if applicable, satisfaction with services and any medical, mental or AOD treatment within the past thirty days.

## **Health and Safety Policies**

### **Legal/Illegal/Prescription and OTC Substances Brought into the Program**

Please refrain from bringing legal or illegal substances into the building (alcohol, narcotics, “synthetic” substances, etc.). Doing so may lead to your discharge from the program. Prescription medications other than nitroglycerin and Epee Pens are not to be brought into the building. If you are prescribed medication that you must have in your possession, please make your counselor aware.

### **Orientation to the Building (including emergency exits& Emergency Protocols)**

During your admission, a staff member will show you the location of the fire exits. Maps with Emergency Exit Routes are located in each office and rooms throughout Axis I. Copies of emergency procedures are posted in the lobby, group room, and offices and clients will receive a copy of emergency protocols as requested. Clients must participate in drills. Essentially, during any drill clients (visitors) are to follow the directions of staff, exit where guided, if applicable, or any other protocol posted and directed. Failure to participate in drills may result in program termination.

### **Evacuation Procedures**

During your Axis I Center experience, you may hear a Code called (i.e. Code Red, Code Yellow). This is a signal to evacuate the building as directed by staff. Please leave whichever room you are in and follow the direction of the staff member who will direct you to the closest, safest exit. Move quickly down the hallway, stay with a staff member, and remain outside the building or in the designated area instructed by staff until you are told it is safe to return.

### **Fire Suppression Equipment**

Fire extinguishers are located in various accessible locations throughout the building. However, in the case of fire, we ask that you immediately leave the building and not try to suppress the fire.

### **Use of Seclusion/Restraint**

Axis I Center does not believe in the use of seclusion or restraints (drug induced or physical) during any admission to our services.

### **Use of Tobacco Products**

Axis I Center promotes active recovery for persons whose lives are affected by addiction. In addition to known health risks, some research links the use of tobacco products with alcohol and other drug addictions. Smoking in the Axis I building or on the property is not allowed.

*\*E-cigarettes are included in this policy.*

### **Weapons Brought into the Program**

Please refrain from bringing any type of weapon into the facility. Doing so may lead to your discharge from the program.

### **Violence and Threats**

No fighting or physical/verbal threats will be tolerated

### **First Aid Kits**

A first aid kit is located in an accessible location in the facility. You are to ask for assistance from Axis I staff if you need first aid care.

### **Infection Control**

Axis I follows infection control guidelines/recommendations from the center for Disease Control. To assist us we ask all clients and visitors to maintain sound habits in personal hygiene and individual responsibility in infection control.

## **Staff Response to Potential Risks**

Axis I Center staff will adhere to agency specific Emergency Response Procedures as they relate to managing risks (weather related, fire, violence, evacuations, etc.).

As Mandated Reporters, staff is required to contact the Department of Social Services if they become aware of any type of child or elder abuse. This can be done without your consent.

In addition, if a client presents himself/herself as a danger to themselves or to others, staff will contact the police. This too can be done without your consent.

In terms of suicide, staff will work any client experiencing suicidal thoughts to develop a Crisis Prevention and Intervention Plan (Safety Action Plan) designed to improve their recognition of signs of suicide as well as resources available to support them during times of need. Agency policy is that one is required for anyone expressing or thinking about self-injurious thoughts within the last

## **PROGRAM RULES**

Axis I's basic program rules include: maintain confidentiality, be honest, don't interrupt others, use "I" statements. The group leader and group members are responsible for developing group rules. Additional program rules may be applicable and will be reviewed with you by your counselor. Axis I does not restrict the rights or privileges of clients.

## **HELPFUL NUMBERS**

INFORMATION/CRISIS LINE .....	211
CHILD ABUSE .....	541-1200
ELDER ABUSE.....	541-1200
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE .....	259-4451
.....	Or 803-649-0480; 800-799-SAFE (7233)
QUIT LINE .....	800-QUIT NOW (784-8669)
POISON CONTROL .....	800-222-1222
SUICIDE .....	211/800-273-TALK (8255)
POLICE, SHERIFF, AND FIRE DEPARTMENTS CALL	911

*Medication Dropbox Locations:  
Barnwell Sheriff's Office, Barnwell Police Department, Blackville Police Department,  
and Williston Police Department*

# **Recovery Support Group Meetings Of Barnwell County**

## Sunday

*"This Is It" AA meeting- 6:00pm- Calvary Chapel, 12927 Main St., Williston, SC  
29853-*

*(12 Step program)- 803-254-5301*

## Wednesday

*"Time For Recovery"- 6:00pm- Gateway Church, 8678 Marlboro Avenue, Barnwell,  
SC 29812 (faith based) 803-450-6825*

## Thursday

*"Celebrate Recovery"- 6:00pm- Hagood Avenue Baptist Church, 1144 Hagood  
Avenue, Barnwell, SC- (Biblical based 12 Step)*

*"AA Meeting" – 7:00pm- Barnwell United Methodist Church, 236 Main St.  
Barnwell, SC (12 Step program)*

## Saturday

*"AA Meeting" – 10:00am- Barnwell United Methodist Church, 236 Main St.  
Barnwell, SC (12 Step program)*

## **Other Meetings**

### Tuesday

*NA Meeting- 7:00pm- Second Baptist Church, 421 Hampton St., Aiken, SC 29801 (Narcotics  
Anonymous)*

### Wednesday

*NA Meeting- 7:00pm- Aiken Center, 1105 Gregg Highway, Aiken, SC 29801-  
(Narcotics Anonymous 12 Step/open meeting)*

### Friday

*"Celebrate Recovery"- 6:00pm- Cedar Creek Church, 3001 Banks Mill Rd. SE, Aiken, SC-  
(Biblical Faith Based 12 Step Groups)- 803-649-3096*

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*\*Narcotics Anonymous & Alcoholics Anonymous Meetings can be located by going to  
[www.NA.org](http://www.NA.org) or [www.AA.org](http://www.AA.org) (Go to search meetings)*

*P.A.L.S. (Parents And Loved Ones Support)*

*Thursdays from 6:30-8:30pm- Williston Presbyterian Church- 2 Elko Street,  
Williston, SC*

*\*Helping the loved ones of addicts to understand addiction & love the addict  
without enabling them\**

*Compliments of Axis I Center of Barnwell  
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