

Regional Care Teams Youth Referral

Do you know or work with a young person who is involved or at risk of involvement with the juvenile justice system and could benefit from extra support? Refer them to the Regional Care Teams (RCTs) to access a network of cross-systems connection, collaboration, feedback, funding, and resources.

There are TWO WAYS to refer a youth to receive support from your RCT:



MAKE A REFERRAL



Request a Care Team Review

Join us at a monthly meeting where you can share the needs, challenges, and strengths of the young person you work with. RCT representatives will listen, offer suggestions and resources, and help you build an individualized plan for action. You will leave the meeting with a list of resources, new connections, and next steps.

Previous care team reviews have helped providers and the youth they work with:

- ▶ access prosocial activities while on a waitlist for more intensive behavioral health treatment
- ▶ identify and secure housing and transitional living resources
- ▶ plan for treatment, resources, and care after aging out of systems

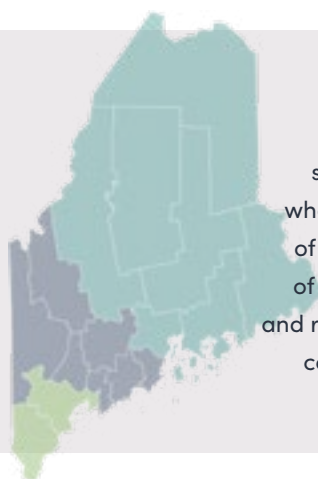


Request Funding

The state Juvenile Justice Advisory Group and the Department of Corrections provide flexible funding for RCTs to distribute to support youth needs. These funds are intended to support youth to remain at home and/or in their chosen community and provide one-time requests that fill a gap not able to be met by other agencies, organizations, or programs.

Past fund requests have helped cover the cost of:

- ▶ a security deposit to provide consistent housing
- ▶ transportation to connect youth to work and prosocial activities
- ▶ technology to access remote education



WHAT ARE REGIONAL CARE TEAMS?

Regional Care Teams bring together agency representatives, providers, community stakeholders, youth, and families. We collaborate to connect transition-aged youth (14-24) who are currently involved or at risk of involvement in the juvenile justice system to pathways of wellbeing, belonging, and thriving in their chosen community. RCTs meet monthly in each of the three Department of Corrections (DOC) regions to share resources, fill resource gaps, and respond to needs of local youth referred to the initiative. We receive referrals from juvenile corrections staff members, agency staff members, social workers, case managers, defense attorneys, judges, and family members. [Visit our website](https://placematters.org/regional-care-teams) for more information.