



## Fairfax-Falls Church Children’s Services Act Commonly Used Acronyms



Acronym	Description	Definition
<b>CANS</b>	Child and Adolescent Strengths and Needs Assessment	A mandatory state assessment tool for children and youth participating in CSA-funded services.
<b>CHINS</b>	Child in Need of Services	A type of court petition.
<b>CPMT</b>	Community Policy and Management Team	The local governing board for CSA; includes department heads and senior managers from the county, FCPS, FCCPS and City of Falls Church.
<b>CPS</b>	Child Protective Services	A program within the Department of Family Services (DFS), a public child welfare agency, that helps ensure the safety and well-being of children in our community.
<b>CSA</b>	Children’s Services Act	A Virginia law that helps children and families have access to intensive services and supports when children struggle with unmet behavioral health care needs.
<b>CSB</b>	Community Services Board	A public agency that provides services for mental health, substance use disorders, and intellectual/developmental disabilities.
<b>DFS</b>	Department of Family Services	The county’s child welfare agency also known as social services.
<b>FAPT</b>	Family Assessment Planning Team	A multidisciplinary group of professionals who represent public agencies, private organizations and a parent representative. If parents/custodians disagree with the community-based plan created by an FPM, FRM or ICC Youth and Family Team, or if they decline to participate in developing a community-based plan and decide to request residential or group home placement, then a referral shall be made to a FAPT.
<b>FC&amp;A</b>	Foster Care & Adoption	A program within the county’s Department of Family Services.
<b>FCPS</b>	Fairfax County Public Schools	The local public school system for Fairfax County.
<b>FCPS-MAS</b>	Fairfax County Public Schools Multi-Agency Services	Program within FCPS; works with youth IEP-placed in private day and residential school settings.
<b>FCCPS</b>	Falls Church City Public Schools	The local public school system for Falls Church City residents.
<b>FPM</b>	Family Partnership Meeting	Family meeting facilitated by a neutral 3 <sup>rd</sup> party.
<b>FRM</b>	Family Resource Meeting	Family meeting facilitated by the family’s CSA lead case manager.
<b>FRU</b>	Federal Reimbursement Unit	Provides administrative support to DFS and CSA including processing assessments of parental contributions (copayment) for CSA services.
<b>HMF</b>	Healthy Minds Fairfax	A county initiative to address the behavioral health care needs of youth and their families to include services for mental health, substance use, and developmental disabilities in our community.
<b>IACCT</b>	Independent Assessment, Certification, and Coordination Team	A team process instituted by Medicaid (Department of Medical Assistance or DMAS) to authorize Medicaid funding for residential treatment services.
<b>ICC</b>	Intensive Care Coordination	Program that works with youth who are at risk of out-of-home placement and their families, helping them get needed services so the youth can continue to live at home. If placement outside the community is necessary, the ICC team helps the family develop the supports needed to ensure their child’s safe, successful return home.

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<b>IEP</b>	Individual Education Program	Developed under federal regulations; IEPs for private day and residential services are funded by CSA.
<b>JDRDC</b>	Juvenile & Domestic Relations District Court	County agency that serves youth for delinquency and status offenses. Offers diversion, probation and parole services.
<b>MAP</b>	Meeting Action Plan	Document created during meetings to lay out strengths and needs of the youth and family and develop action steps required to meet identified needs.
<b>NAMI</b>	National Alliance on Mental Illness	Private partner with CSA to provide trained Parent Support Partners and Parent Representatives for FPMs and FRMs, part of a national organization that supports and advocates for individuals with mental illness.
<b>NCS</b>	Department of Neighborhood and Community Services	County agency offering an array of county recreation services and prevention outreach/programs.
<b>PPS</b>	Protection and Preservation Services	Program within the Department of Family Services to preserve and strengthen families who are involved with the child welfare system.
<b>RT</b>	CSB Resource Team	Community Services Board's Resource Team provides case management and case support services to youth with intensive behavioral health care needs.
<b>RTC</b>	Residential Treatment Center	A facility that provides short-term shelter, supervision and treatment for youth that cannot remain safely in their home or community.
<b>SOC</b>	System of Care	A spectrum of effective, community-based services and supports for children and youth with or at risk for mental health or other challenges and their families, that is organized into a coordinated network, builds meaningful partnerships with families and youth, and addresses their cultural and linguistic needs; to ensure that all children, youth and their families have equitable and easy access to a continuum of quality, integrated and/or coordinated services, supports, and opportunities to promote resiliency and further their social, emotional, mental and behavioral health.
<b>STBH</b>	Short-term Behavioral Health program	Youth referred from select schools to contracted mental health providers allowing for immediate but time-limited access to outpatient therapy services.
<b>TBP</b>	Team-based Planning	A multi-disciplinary team consisting of family members, community members, relevant agencies and providers that come together to come to up with a family meeting action plan (MAP).
<b>UR</b>	Utilization Review	A state mandated process for CSA-eligible cases to review the appropriateness and effectiveness of services and provide authorization for services.