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scenario

Significant Barriers Client



profile

Katie* is a 25-year-old single mother of two children under the age of six. Katie applied for cash, medical, food and child care assistance. After completing an interview, completing all necessary forms (DHS 619, DHS 1538, DHS 1535) and engaging Katie with Michigan Works!, several concerning barriers were identified.

Katie disclosed information regarding her past substance usage. It also appears Katie lacks a support system and struggles with maintaining healthy/stable relationships. Katie is unemployed, lacks basic computer skills, and is in need of reliable transportation.

*fictional representation of a PATH client

plan

It is imperative to address and stabilize the majority of Katie's barriers. In Katie's circumstance, if barriers are not addressed properly the results likely will be time and attendance concerns; lack of commitment with crucial work-related activities; and non-participation in self-care/growth activities (counseling, parenting classes, medical appointments and community resources assisting in self-sufficiency).

Katie also needs to secure appropriate daycare for her two children. It is very difficult to commit to any program without dependable, appropriate childcare.

assistance

Based on Katie's background and the information shared with her case manager at MWA, she will attend the following classes for the first three weeks to assist her with achieving self-sufficiency:

- Resume Writing.
- · Talent Bank.
- Interview Skills.
- Job Search.
- Appearance (dress for success).
- Attitude.
- Attendance.
- Financial Literacy.
- Basic Computer Skills.
- Ambition.
- Accountability.
- Acceptance.
- · Appreciation.