Supportive Visitation





What We Do

Family Connections' Supportive Visitation
Services partner with families to create
a visitation plan that best meets their
individualized needs. The staff meet with
parents and children before and after visits to
debrief on what went well and plan for future
visits. Documentation is provided to Division
of Child Protection and Permanency (DCPP)
and the courts on activities and progress being
made. Staff also support families in-home
following reunification and attend meetings
with stakeholders and DCPP.



Family Connections provides:

- Supportive visitation supervision
- Therapeutic interventions
- Psychoeducation
- · Support in parenting skills
- Trauma-informed practices
- Debriefings for caregivers and children
- Transportation for children and/or caregivers
- ·Location to host visits
- Aftercare services to families for up to a year following reunification

Who We Are

Family Connections' Supportive Visitation Services is a continuum of therapeutic visitation services in-home and in-community with the goal of safely re-connecting families separated due to abuse or neglect.

We Believe:

- Families need to have regular contact in order to support attachment and meet the families' developmental and emotional needs.
- Families should be treated with respect and receive culturally competent and traumainformed services
- Parents can strengthen their coping skills and become experts at nurturing their children's success.
- Families can address a history of abuse and neglect and reunite safely
- With the right support, families can grow strong, safe, and stable



Results

Families who participate in Supportive Visitation Services:

- · Gain parenting and coping skills
- Increase knowledge in how to nurture their child
- Create a healthy family dynamic where everyone feels comfortable
- · Set common boundaries and goals
- Make safety a priority for everyone in the household
- Gain education on their child's developmental and emotional needs



We Serve

Families who have involvement with the DCPP with their case originating out of the Essex offices.



For more information, please contact: Joanna Audenried, LCSW Program Manager, Supportive Visitation Services Cell phone: (973) 650-6493 Family Connections is a leading New Jersey non-profit with over 30 different programs to support children, adults, and families. Far too many people in our communities face serious challenges—from trauma and mental illness to addiction, domestic violence, and child abuse. Family Connections is here to make sure no one has to face these challenges alone. Across Northern New Jersey, we deliver counseling, social and emotional skills-building, prevention and training initiatives, programs to strengthen family bonding and reunify families, and more.

Since 1879, Family Connections has proven that communities thrive when everyone is invested in each other's wellbeing.

Our Mission

Growth happens here every day. With our counseling, skillsbuilding, training and prevention services, people take control of their own healing and foster connections that make our entire community stronger, safer, and healthier.

Our Vision

We see a world where no one faces life's challenges alone—where we all have the opportunities, connections, and resources we need to thrive.

Our Core Values

We strive every day to be: Inclusive | Strengths-based | Relationship-driven Outcomeoriented | Collaborative

For more information about Family Connections' programs, please visit our website at **familyconnectionsnj.org**.

If you have questions or need assistance, please contact Family Connections at (973) 675-3817 or hope@familyconnectionsnj.org.

