



Our Philosophy of Care

At Lutheran Family and Children's Services of Missouri (LFCS), we strive to empower children and families to overcome challenges today so they can build a better tomorrow. Our Philosophy of Care is rooted in our commitment to providing holistic support and empowerment to children, families, and communities through the following principles:

- 1. Family Focus:** We provide wraparound services to support and strengthen the whole family unit. We encourage individuals and families to embrace personal responsibility, empowering them to create the best possible future for their children.
- 2. Healthy Child Development:** We prioritize the safety, stability, and overall well-being of the children we serve, promoting their healthy growth and development.
- 3. Empathy and Compassion:** We believe in approaching our work with deep empathy and compassion, recognizing, and validating the unique experiences and emotions of our clients. We provide a safe, non-judgmental, supportive space for healing and growth.
- 4. Community and Connection:** We strive to cultivate a sense of belonging and connectedness within the communities we serve. Through collaboration and partnership, we create networks of support that empower families to overcome challenges and help their children thrive.
- 5. A Personalized Approach:** Our services are tailored to address the distinct strengths and challenges of each child and family. We seek to develop a strong, lasting rapport with our clients.
- 6. Cultural Sensitivity:** We embrace and celebrate the diverse cultural backgrounds of our clients, delivering services that respect and honor their unique identities and traditions.
- 7. Rapid Response and Accessibility:** We strive to provide responsive and accessible support to children and families as part of our organizational commitment to service excellence.
- 8. Sustainable Impact:** We are committed to providing a long-term investment in our clients, resulting in a generational impact in the communities that we serve.