

## YES Adolescent Skills Center

ICD's YES Adolescent Skill's Center is a supportive and comprehensive vocational and educational program with a unique focus on mental health that serves adolescents ages 16–21 with emotional and psychiatric conditions. By providing a full range of intensive educational and vocational programming simultaneous with mental health services, the YES Program has developed a proven track record of successfully transitioning adolescents and young adults into adult community living and the world of work. All YES Participants benefit from a pre-employment skill development plan that includes job readiness training, life skills development, educational services (basic skills instruction, pre-GED and GED preparation), health education, leadership development and placement into jobs, training, and post-secondary education. The YES Program is administered by a dedicated and experienced group of professionals including certified social workers, vocational counselors, special education teachers, peer specialists, and para-professionals. The program provides a uniquely intimate and encouraging environment that helps the young people to clarify their life goals, learn how to overcome challenges and build their self-confidence. The YES Program is at no cost to our consumers since it is grant funded through the NYC Department of Health and Hygiene. The following are eligible to apply: Young people ages 16-21 who are concurrently enrolled in mental health treatment, residential treatment, CDT, IPRT or other mental health program. Referrals to mental health treatment can be offered when appropriate.

To obtain further information about YES or to make a referral, please call (212) 585-6043.