

Therapeutic Supervised Visitation (TSV) is an Evidence-Based Program that Crittenton Center provides under the Regional Partnership Grant. TSV provides structured, interactive guidance on the adult-child interaction through the lens of a Masters-Level Clinician and a trained Youth Care Worker who may make recommendations for further services. Visits may include, but not limited to: biological family, fictive kin, foster family, etc. Regardless of the relationship with the child, TSV must be approved by the child's Health and Human Services (HHS) social worker or Juvenile Court Officer (JCO). The HHS social worker and JCO will indicate if this service should be provided and who should participate in the TSV.

## **1** Who will TSV benefit?

This service is aimed to benefit both the child and the adult involved by providing positive and safe interactions. TSV can be used for introductory visits between a child and potential foster families, as well as healing visits between child and their relative(s).

## 2 How does it work?

Once TSV has been established as a benefit, Crittenton Center Caseworker will schedule the first visit with the Crittenton Center Youth Care Worker trained in TSV. The Youth Care Worker will create an appointment with the Master Clinician and then notify the adult(s) and the child. If a visit is needed for a potential foster family, the fostering agency will notify Crittenton Center to establish a visit. It is encouraged that HHS Social Worker and JCO communicate with Crittenton Center staff to utilize these services.

## **3** When will visits occur?

To accommodate working schedules, visits will occur Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays from 4p-6p, and occasional weekends by request. If special arrangements need to be made, these will be done through the Youth Care Worker trained in TSV during scheduling of the visit.

## Where will visits occur?

Visits will occur in-person or virtually. If the youth is under the age of 5 years, or if the child developmentally needs a more child-friendly and engaging environment, the visit will occur at our Stella West childcare location; 1724 Geneva Street, Sioux City, IA 51103. If the youth is over 5 years, visits will take place at the shelter; 3901 Green Avenue, Sioux City, IA 51106. Telehealth may be offered to children if this is the first encounter with the adult. This is to ensure the child has a felt sense of safety and feels as they have voice and choice in their care.