

<b>Course Summary:</b>	Dysfunctional family members have common symptoms and behavior patterns as a result of their common experiences within the family structure. This tends to reinforce the dysfunctional behavior, either through enabling or perpetration. The family unit can be affected by a variety of factors. There are several symptoms of family dysfunction: Denial, inconsistency and unpredictability, lack of empathy toward family members, lack of clear boundaries, closed family system, mixed messages, extremes in conflict. Probation officers deal with many clients that are involved in dysfunctional families. This course will assist probation employees when they have to conduct business with members of a dysfunctional family.
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<b>Performance Objectives:</b>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Be able to identify why functional families become dysfunctional.</li> <li>2) Be able to articulate the problems created in society and within the household when a family becomes dysfunctional.</li> <li>3) Be able to analyze and recognize the physical abuse signs associated with a dysfunctional family.</li> <li>4) Be able to explain the various sexual abuses associated with dysfunctional families.</li> <li>5) Be able to recall how dysfunctional families affect not only the individual but society as a whole.</li> <li>6) Be able to list the various reasons dysfunctional children eventually become dysfunctional adults.</li> <li>7) Be able to identify the many options available for treatment and supervision of dysfunctional families and its members.</li> </ol>

<b>Course Outline</b>				
Day	Time Begin (24 Hour)	Time End (24 Hour)	Subject or Topic	Instructional Methodology
1	0800	1000	Introduction, why functional families become dysfunctional, problems created in society, physical abuse association with dysfunctional families	Lecture Group Discussion Audio/Video Clip
1	1000	1200	Sexual abuse associated with dysfunctional families, how families are affected by society, how children become dysfunctional adults, understanding treatment, evaluations	Lecture Group Discussion Audio/Video Clip Evaluation