

Intake criteria

The description of the range of children who would be considered appropriate, contrasted with those that would not be appropriate, is outlined below:

ISSUE	APPROPRIATE	NOT APPROPRIATE
Age	ages 4 to 15 years	infants or adults
Gender	male or female	
Emotional difficulties leading to behaviour problems	youth with personality disorders, learning disabilities, exaggerated emotional and behavioural difficulties and parental neglect	children whose behaviour demonstrate such a threat to their personal safety and safety of others that a secure placement is required
special medical conditions or needs	HIV or Hep B infections, epilepsy, FASD/FAE, diabetes, ADD, ADHD	blind, deaf, quadriplegia and other medically fragile situations*
developmental level	mild deficits to superior	moderately handicapped, non- ambulatory conditions, PDD, including autism*
family characteristics	physical and sexual abuse, serious neglect, parental personality disorders and substance abuse	
willingness to participate in treatment plan	children or parents who are willing to participate in the treatment plan	children who persistently refuse to accept placement
psychological/psychiatric assessments	Preferred, but not necessary	
academic history	expelled from school, school difficulties, suspension	

^{*} Does not apply to E.T.O.P. Program