

# TIP

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The Gavin Foundation is a multi-service agency providing comprehensive, community-based substance abuse education, prevention and treatment. We work from a deep commitment to the community, including the widespread community of individuals and families in recovery.



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# TOTAL IMMERSION PROGRAM



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# TOTAL IMMERSION PROGRAM (TIP)

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The Total Immersion Program (TIP), is a partnership program between the Gavin Foundation and area District Courts.

The Probation Department recommends and refers probationers to TIP who have a history of violence, or a potential for violence, when under the influence of alcohol or other drugs. The court has the option of stipulating TIP participation as a condition of the offender's probation.

Addiction Severity Index (ASI) is utilized as part of the intake and evaluation procedure. ASI is a semi-structured interview for substance abuse assessment and treatment planning. The ASI is designed to gather valuable information about areas of a client's life that may contribute to their substance-abuse problems.

Seven areas of a client's life are assessed to help prioritize the order in which problems should be addressed.

- Legal
- Drug/Alcohol use
- Family History
- Medical
- Psychiatric
- Social History
- Employment/Support

## CASE MANAGEMENT

Case Management services reflect the needs of the client and include referrals as indicated to:

- Detox
- Short Term Substance Abuse Treatment
- Out Patient Mental Health Treatment
- Residential Substance Abuse Treatment
- Medical Referrals

## PARTICIPATION

Participants are expected to:

- Submit to supervised urine screens
- Participate in group meetings with TIP counselor (minimum of 30 weeks)
- Learn anger management and healthy communication skills
- Attend (4) self-help meetings per week
- Participate in a 22 week AAWOL program
- Pay \$10.00 per week Program Fee
- Obtain signed medical authorization from PCP for drug testing

## REPORTING

Referring Probation Officer receives weekly reports on:

- Urine Test Results
- Attendance
- Willingness to participate
- Compliance with Program Fee payments
- Medical PCP form status

## THE TIP STAFF

The Gavin Foundation staff is experienced in the disciplines of substance abuse treatment and work closely with the Probation Department. Staff credentials include:

- LADC
- LICSW
- CCJS
- LMHC
- CAS
- CADAC/MAC
- CDVC

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