

Dr. Marion Spellman

Founding President & CEO



PENIEL's Child Therapy Services component was launched as a result of Dr. Spellman's extraordinary dedication to the well-being of children affected by drug/alcohol abuse.

Our strongest desire is to see lives transformed and families rebuilt on solid foundations.

Overcoming parenting issues and reclaiming a leading role in the family is a cornerstone of development for clients who are also parents. PENIEL firmly believes that there is nothing more important than a strong and healthy family unit.



Using proven treatment methods, the goal of PENIEL is to see broken lives transformed and permanent change take place.

PENIEL's aim is to return clients back into their communities, not only prepared to live sober lives, but lives of integrity of purpose.

If you or someone you know may be experiencing difficulty coping with life please contact us.



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Transforming Broken Lives

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Child Therapy Services

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MEET:

Dawn Murphy, MSW, CAADC

Dawn brings a wealth of experience and expertise to Peniel.

Dawn also serves as the Clinical Supervisor for the Peniel Treatment Center and has a hands on approach to recovery. She is a perfect fit.



Mary Jean Hoover, BA

Mary Jean's enthusiasm for children is a key factor in her role as a Play Therapy Specialist.

She is passionate about helping children overcome difficult growing experiences and lead balanced and fruitful lives.

We really care about the children

The goal of the Child Therapy Services is to promote wholeness to the children of clients in the residential treatment program, as well as families in our community.

Sessions are conducted in the designated child friendly area of the Peniel facility.

We are able to minister love, healing and security tools as we observe the child at play.

Here's what happens:

The primary counselor will plan to meet with the child at the same time a Family Session is scheduled with the client.

The tools used will include, but are not limited to painting pictures, reading books and general play time designed to observe the child in a relaxed atmosphere.

Our Program Objectives:

- To gain insight into the extent to which the parent's addiction has impacted their children's lives and emotional well-being.
- Focus on how the child is adjusting to the parent being in treatment.
- Identify areas for healing as well as the potential growth and development of the child.
- To empower the primary counselor with information that will be helpful in reestablishing a healthy child-parent relationship.



This department will document and forward information to the client's primary counselor so that we can implement appropriate and effective parenting tools.

These notes will become a part of the client's confidential treatment records.