

A SHELTER FOR 72 HOURS

When a law enforcement officer or judge believes that your child is in an environment dangerous to your child's well-being, they will be removed from your care for placement in an alternative setting such as foster care or shelter care.

The law enforcement officer must tell you, your child, and the court the reason your child was taken into custody.

The officer or social worker must tell you where your child is, unless telling you would place your child in immediate danger.

Your child may not be kept in custody longer than seventy-two (72) hours without a court hearing. If a hearing is not held within seventy-two (72) hours after your child is taken into custody, your child will be returned to you. Weekends and holidays do not count towards the seventy-two (72) hours. Your child may be released earlier than seventy-two (72) hours if the release is approved by law enforcement. The county social service agency may also request authorization for release by a judge.

If your child is not going to be released to you, there must be a court hearing. *It is very important that you go to this court hearing.* Ask to watch **"In the best interest of your child"** video.

CONTACT RELATIVES

Immediately contact relatives or close friends to see if they could temporarily care for your child. Have them call the social worker.

COURT HEARING

If you don't know the date and time and place of the hearing, call your social worker at Isanti County Family Services at 763-689-1711 or Isanti County Court Administration at 763-689-2292.

At the first hearing the judge will determine whether your child can safely return to your care.

CONTACT AN ATTORNEY

You have the right to be represented by a lawyer. You may request a public defender if you cannot afford a lawyer. To apply for a public defender go to Isanti County Court Administration located in the Isanti County Government Center.

You may have to wait until the day of the hearing to speak with a public defender. If so, go to Isanti County Government Center early and ask to meet with your public defender.

If you don't agree that your child was in a dangerous environment, you should talk to your attorney.

GUARDIAN AD LITEM

Your child will be appointed an attorney or Guardian Ad Litem (GAL) at the first hearing. Your child has the right to contact them. If your child is 10 years or older, s/he will also be appointed an attorney.

INTERPRETER SERVICES

You may have the right to have an interpreter in court with you if English is not your first language or if you have a hearing impairment. For more information ask your attorney.

CONTACT YOUR TRIBE

If your child is eligible to be a member of an Indian tribe, or is eligible for membership in an Indian tribe, your entire family has the right to the protection of the Indian Child Welfare Act, the Minnesota Indian Family Preservation Act and the Minnesota Tribal/State Agreement on Indian Child Welfare. Contact your tribe for information and assistance.

SERVICES IN ISANTI COUNTY

CRISIS SERVICE:

Cambridge Medical Center	763-689-7887
Crisis (In County Resident)	320-369-2015
First Call for Help	1-800-543-7709
Refuge (domestic violence)	763-689-3532
Suicide Prevention Hotline	612-347-2222

NAMI – St. Paul	651-645-2948
(National Alliance Mentally III)	
Local NAMI Support Group	763-691-1825 or 651-592-6989

COUNSELING/PSYCHOLOGICAL EVALUATIONS:

Therapeutic Services Agency	320-629-7600
Cambridge Medical Center	763-689-7887
Family Based Therapy Associates	763-689-9407
Rum River Recovery Alliance	1-800-964-8524
Mending Path Counseling & Relationship Center	651-982-4792
Willow Bridge	612-390-6232
Michael Keller	763-442-4111
Allison Miller	763-444-5567
Barb Erickson	651-245-5217
Fairview Princeton	763-389-1313
Haven Center	651-277-4283
Lighthouse	320-983-2335

FINANCIAL:

Lake & Pines Fuel Assistance	320-679-1800 1-800-832-6082
Isanti County Extension Office	763-689-1810
Social Security Office	1-800-722-1213

TRANSPORTATION:

Heartland Express Transportation	763-689-8131
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FOOD, CLOTHING & HOUSING:

Lakes & Pines Food Shelf	320-679-1800
Isanti County Family Services (Food Shelf)	763-689-1711
Shalom Shop (Clothing)	No phone
129 SE 2 nd Avenue, Cambridge	
New Pathways (Housing)	763-691-0121
Salvation Army	763-689-2141
Family Pathways (Food Shelf)	763-552-3663
Tusen Tack (Clothing)	320-396-3794

LEGAL:

East Central Legal Services	763-689-2849
Mental Health Law Project	612-332-1441
Ombudsman for Mental Health & Mental Retardation-	651-296-0941

CRIME VICTIMS, SEXUAL ASSAULT & DOMESTIC VIOLENCE:

Refuge	763-689-3532
Victim Services	763-689-2253

**VENDORS FOR CHEMICAL USE
ASSESSMENTS**

* This may not be a complete list of persons or businesses providing this service in or around Isanti County.

Dellwood Recovery (Cambridge)
763-688-7723

River Place (Anoka)
763-421-5590

Country Services (Pine City)
320-629-1445

Grace Counseling Services (Ham Lake)
763-413-8838

Nirvana Educational & Counseling Services
105 South Garfield Street
Cambridge, MN 55008
763-689-0049

**If you have questions about the court
hearing, obtaining a public defender or
watching the video**

**Please call:
Isanti County Court Administration
Isanti County Government Center
555 18th Avenue Southwest
Cambridge, MN 55008
763-689-2292**

For all other questions, please call

**Isanti County Child Protection at
Isanti County Family Services
Oakview Office Complex
1700 Rum River Drive South Suite A
Cambridge, MN 55008**

763-689-1711

**When your child is
removed from your
home**



- Your child is being taken into immediate custody.
- Your child will be placed in a shelter facility.

Isanti County Family Services does not endorse or ensure quality of service from particular source. We are aware these entities have provided chemical use assessments on a fee basis. If you have insurance we recommend you approach your insurance company to see what, if any, coverage your insurance plan may have for chemical use assessments and/ or treatment.