

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

At Care Plus NJ, Inc.

The goal of the Bergen County Juvenile Fire Prevention Program is to provide education and prevention services for all Bergen County youth up to age 18 on the dangers of fire-setting, as well as the importance of fire-safety planning. Intervention services are also provided for youth who have displayed fire curiosity or fire-setting behavior.

*At CarePlus NJ,
we are dedicated to
excellence in mental
health care, addiction
treatment and social
support services.*

BERGEN COUNTY JUVENILE FIRE PREVENTION PROGRAM

The Bergen County Juvenile Fire Prevention program (BCJFPP) is recognized by the New Jersey Division of Fire Safety and is the only service of its type in Bergen County. Formed in 1987, the BCJFPP has provided community education prevention, fire setting assessments, individual and group education sessions, and if applicable further linkage to clinical services.



If you are seeking access to mental health care or addiction treatment, contact 201-986-5000 or visit [CarePlus NJ.org](http://CarePlusNJ.org).

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**B.C. Juvenile
Fire Prevention
Since 1987**

A Care Plus NJ, Inc. Partner Program

Join our efforts to reduce the overall problem of fire-setting by working with youth to identify underlying issues and provide intervention.

EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

We are looking for current or retired firefighters to join our team as Ambassadors and/or Educators.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:

- Provide (2) 90-minute individual education sessions to each youth who are referred for assessment.
- Attend community events with a CarePlus NJ representative
- Provide group presentations for youth up to age 18 in different community-based settings.

A CarePlus NJ representative is always available to attend with the firefighter(s) upon request.

PARTNER WITH US!

We Are Better Together!

Juvenile fire play comes with a family stigma that sometimes prevents parents from seeking professional help. Our awareness program, coupled with mental health is reducing the perceived stigma.



To get involved, make a referral, or set up a group presentation, please contact Keri Diamond at KeriD@CarePlusNJ.org

SPECIALIZED SERVICES

- Assess identified juveniles and their families to determine the motivation for the behaviors.
- Categorize the risk of future firesetting using self-report inventories.
- Provide fire safety education to learn the proper uses of fire and its associated dangers.
- Provide counseling services to address individual or family needs that may contribute to firesetting behaviors.
- Clinical intervention and linkage to wraparound services as needed for further treatment.

Early intervention program for youth up to the age of 18 displaying recurring interest and/or engagement in firesetting behavior.