Milestones

Firesetting assessment service offered

In November, Brandon Residential Treatment Center in Natick, Mass., celebrated the one year anniversary of its Rapid Firesetting Assessment (RFA) Service. Developed in collaboration with Robert Stadolnik, Ed.D, and FirePsych, Inc., the rapid assessment service is a short-term (45-60 day) residential program designed for boys (up to age 17) who need specialized assessment of their firesetting histories and behaviors in a staff secure treatment environment.

This comprehensive, evidence-based evaluation identifies and provides a description of the internal and external factors associated with the problem firesetting based on specialized interviewing, standardized diagnostic measures along five risk domains and milieu/school observations.

Brandon offers this service in addition to its long term (nine to 15 months) Intensive Firesetting Treatment Program. For more information, contact Rebecca Porter at 508-655-6400 x 252 or rporter@brandonschool.org.