




## Who Can Refer?

- Adults
- School Personnel
- Parents
- Law Enforcement Officers
- Department of Social Services
- Human Services Agencies
- People Involved with Youth
- Clergy

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### Fee:

There is no fee charged to the youth or the family for services provided by the PINS Adjustment Program. However, some referral agencies may charge a fee for service. Insurance is utilized when available.



### Washington County DSS:

- Tammy DeLorme, Commissioner
- Sheryl Allen, Director of Children's Services
  - Eileen Irwin, Preventive Supervisor
- Jason Ward, PINS Adjustment Coordinator
  - Jenn Rahl & Kristen Homan, PINS Adjustment Caseworkers

### Washington Co. Youth Bureau:

- Mike Gray, Director

### Washington County Probation:

- Anthony White, Director

### Warren/Washington County Community Mental Health Services:

- Rob York, Director

### Designated Assessment Team

Jason Ward, Kristen Homan, Jenn Rahl, PINS Adjustment

Robin MacNeil, Washington County Truancy Prevention Program

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## WASHINGTON COUNTY PINS\* ADJUSTMENT PROGRAM

**\*Person In Need of  
Supervision**

**Building 'B', Municipal  
Center**

**383 Broadway**

**Fort Edward, NY 12828**



PINS Adjustment Intake

Department of Social  
Services PINS  
Adjustment



**A multi-agency program combining the  
resources of Washington County:**

**Department of Social Services**

**Probation Department**

**Youth Bureau**

**Warren/Washington Counties  
Community Mental Health**

## Who is a Person In Need of Supervision?

A PINS is someone under the age of 18 who:

- Does not attend school
- Is incorrigible
- Is ungovernable
- Is habitually disobedient
- Is beyond the lawful control of parent or guardian
- Is found in possession of marijuana

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The PINS Adjustment Program provides an immediate response to families in crisis and attempts to identify and facilitate access to appropriate services. The program's goal is to address the need for early, effective interventions to reduce out of home placements and Family Court involvement for troubled youth.

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