# Frequently Asked Questions: Substance Use Disorders

### What is Music Therapy?

Music Therapy is the clinical and evidence-based use of music interventions to accomplish individualized goals within a therapeutic relationship by a credentialed professional who has completed an approved music therapy program. (*American Music Therapy Association* Definition, 2005)



#### **Therapeutic Outcomes**

When treatment is recommended, goal areas may address:

- Improving mood
- Increasing healthy outlet
- Promoting connectedness
- Improving decision making
- Elevating motivation

#### Research

Promoting emotional regulation through music therapy treatment (<u>Baker, Gleadhill,</u> <u>Dingle 2007</u>).

Music therapy may assist clients with chemical dependency by increasing their sense of relaxation (Silverman, 2003).

## Intake & Assessment Process

Completion of an Intake Form starts the process for individual treatment. A comprehensive music therapy assessment will be conducted to evaluate musical and non-musical skills. Pending evaluation results, clients may receive sessions once or twice per week for 30 to 60 minutes in length.

**Service Options:** Individual and Group Music Therapy Treatment

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