Maplegrove addition offers drug treatment to teens

"We know that the child of an al-coholic has a higher-than-average chance of becoming an alcoholic. We see many young people in our family program who may need help some day, and we get calls every day asking for help for teens."

PLANS FOR the Maplegrove Youth Treatment Center were based on an ad-olescent outpatient pilot program, which has helped close to 300 young people during the past 2% years. Con-struction began in spring of 1984. "We did a needs assessment in 1983 which suggested that as many as 100,000 young people in the tri-county

Detroit area may need treatment for chemical dependency, "said Groth.

At that time there were 58 licensed beds for treating chemically dependent adolescents in Michigan. Since then there has been some expansion of long-term facilities, but none nearer than Ann Arbor and none offering the intensive day treatment which has proved successful elsewhere in the country," Groth said where the patient for roughly half the cost of residential treatment, it helps contain health care costs and eases the financial burden for the family, according to Cotter-Leacock.

INTENSIVE DAY treatment can

provide a start on recovery which is ionglasting, but which is less intrusive and less traumatic for young people, she added.

"Our aim will be to keep the family rinker. We will be providing the same type of controls on the young person as toes the inpatient facility, but we have an advantage. The family will be seen and other family members can offer the program to help." the said.

"Unlike most intensive day programs of the program with a two-week residential stay. "We feel that the young person needs a short period away from the ramily setting to look inwarf, to think about what chemicals have done to his or her life, said Cotter-Laccock.

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drinking. I see myself in so many people who still need help, said one 17year-old who participated in the program. But I'm pretry much floating
free of the hierarchy. Most of my good
friends now are recovering, like me.

Day treatment isn't for everyone,
Cotter-Leacock said, so the evaluation
process is very important.

To be admitted to the Maplegrove
program, the young person must be
abusing, or moderately dependent, or
drugs or alcohol. Farents must be
motivated to provide a home which is
free of chemicals and must live within
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for the item who needs long-term treatment, and he/abe may join the Maple
grove program for the after-school
portion of the program after returning





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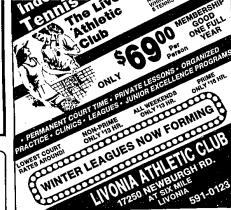
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