

REFERENCE POINTS: Mental Health Resources

YOUTH GUIDE TO TREATMENT & TREATMENT PLANNING: A BETTER LIFE

This "workbook" provides strategies to engage young people in the treatment planning process and offers significant insights into strengths-based treatment planning. This new document is a follow up to the highly successful Youth Guide to Wraparound: Your Life, Your Future.

<http://www.cmhnetwork.org/news/youth-guide-to-treatment-treatment-planning-a-better-life>

THE IMPACT OF HEALTH CARE REFORM ON SERVICES AND SUPPORTS FOR YOUNG ADULTS WITH SERIOUS MENTAL HEALTH CONDITIONS

This new FAQ Fact Sheet from the Research and Training Center for Pathways to Positive Futures, explores what is known now and areas that will require further clarification. To access the Fact Sheet go to

<http://www.pathwaysrtc.pdx.edu/pdf/proj4-healthCareFAQ.pdf>

EVALUATING THE EDUCATIONAL NEEDS OF CHILDREN WITH MENTAL HEALTH CONDITIONS

For a number of reasons, students with mental health conditions are more likely than their peers to encounter academic, social, or emotional problems at school. Mental health conditions that affect mood, thinking, interactions with peers, and physical and emotional arousal levels may also interfere with a student's ability to focus on learning. This resource from Massachusetts General Hospital describes the evaluation process and includes important points for schools, parents, and clinicians. For more information go to <http://bit.ly/kwQJvO>

10 "BEST PRACTICES" SCHOOLS CAN USE TO HELP STUDENTS LIVING WITH MENTAL ILLNESSES

Schools play a critical role in helping students diagnosed with mental illnesses reach their full academic and functional potential. The academic performance and behavioral functioning of students significantly improves when their mental health needs are effectively addressed. This resource describes 10 best practices schools can engage in to support students living with mental health needs. For more information go to <http://bit.ly/kSEKac>

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