

At a Glance

One-half of all lifetime cases of mental health concerns begin by age 14

1 in 5 children experience behavioral health concerns 75% of children with mental health concerns are seen in primary care

Primary care providers are managing these children in their practices

Source: National Institute of Health Care Management Foundation (2009)

Why pediatric integrated care?

Early identification and treatment of trauma, social, emotional, and behavioral problems in children can lead to better quality of life and better health outcomes.

Source: SAMHSA



Working with children and families is often very different from working with adults with complex medical conditions.

Source: National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH)





Integrated Care Recap

When **primary** and **behavioral health care** are integrated, primary care and behavioral health clinicians work together using a systematic and cost-effective approach to provide patient-centered care for patients and families within a defined population. This model results in improved population health, improved experience of care, reduced health care costs, and improved provider satisfaction.

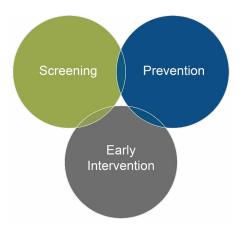
Source: Berwick, Nolan, & Whittington (2008). The Triple Aim: Care, Health, And Cost. Health Affairs. vol. 27 no.3, 759-769

What does pediatric integrated care look like?

Focus on the developing child

Families play an active role in treatment Focus on coping, adjustment, behavior management

Source: National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH)



Children who received behavioral health services return to their PCP significantly fewer times in the year following those services.



Common Concerns

- ADHD
- Noncompliance
- Anxiety
- Depression
- Sleep Problems

Source: Valleley, Polaha, Cooper, Evans, Begeny (2007)

Ready to get started?

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