



**Florida Pediatric
Behavioral Health**
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Navigating Pediatric Behavioral Health Needs

Confronting the Youth Mental Health Crisis

Florida has over 400,000 children and youth with emotional, behavioral, and developmental challenges, but due to a national shortage of pediatric mental health clinicians, **more families are coming to their primary care provider for help.**

We help doctors help kids get the care they deserve.

Established by the Florida Department of Health, the Florida Pediatric Behavioral Health Collaborative partners with leading universities and medical institutions around the state to help pediatric primary care physicians support young patients with mental and behavioral health needs. Specifically, we equip doctors to screen, diagnose, treat, and refer common childhood behavioral health conditions like ADHD, anxiety, and depression so that more kids can get timely access to care.



**As a pediatric primary
care provider, you are an
important first step for
families whose children
are struggling with mental
or behavioral health issues.**



Free Training & Resources for Florida's Primary Care Physicians

Our regional behavioral health hubs offer the following services **at no cost** to pediatric primary care providers or their patients.



Skills-based behavioral health care trainings and panel discussions tailored to physician needs



Individualized phone consultations with child and adolescent psychiatrists to discuss patient diagnosis and treatment options, including safe medications and appropriate psychotherapy



Easy-to-understand educational materials for physicians to share with parents and caregivers



Patient referrals to local, board-certified pediatric and adolescent mental and behavioral health care specialists, with consideration for the patient's insurance provider



Guidance in the implementation of integrated behavioral health within physician practices, which saves families time and money, and results in better outcomes for young patients



Patient care coordination that promotes collaboration among a child's caregivers, primary care provider, mental or behavioral health clinician, and other providers

Connect with a Behavioral Health Hub in Your Community

Join our growing network of **hundreds of pediatric physicians committed to offering a higher level of behavioral health care** to young patients and their families.



To learn more about how we're working to address Florida's youth mental health crisis, visit [**FloridaHealth.gov/PediatricBehavioralHealth**](https://FloridaHealth.gov/PediatricBehavioralHealth).

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