

# OAKLAND COMMUNITY HEALTH NETWORK

## Is Your Child Displaying Concerning Behaviors?

Oakland Community Health Network (OCHN) offers a free program that uses a brief self-report screening tool for children and youth (6-17 years), who may display concerning behaviors, including:

Angry or aggressive outbursts

Legal involvement

Sad mood and/or withdrawn behavior

Chronic absences from school

Unable to follow rules at home, school, or in community

**The goal is to connect your child/youth and family to beneficial services and resources. Next steps involve:**

1. A confidential one-on-one meeting with your child/youth.
  - You choose where the meeting takes place (school, court, OCHN office)
  - An age-appropriate screening tool will be completed. For more information, please see the back page
  - Accommodations, such as translator, deaf interpreter, are available
2. A conversation with the parent/guardian about the needs of your family.
3. Based on your feedback and results of the screening tool, you will receive customized recommendations for beneficial services and resources.

Following the recommendations is up to your discretion.



## Free Program for Children and Youth between 6 - 17 years of Age

A grant funded program by the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services.



### Screening Tools

*Pediatric Symptom Checklist (PSC):* For children, ages 6 -11 years. Total of 35 statements with answer choices of "never," "sometimes" or "often."



*Massachusetts Youth Screening Instrument (MAYSI-2):* For youth, ages 12 - 17 years. Total of 52 questions with "yes" and "no" answers.

### Customized Recommendations

You will receive customized recommendations over the phone and in writing. A Release of Information is available, if you would like us to share the recommendation with the referral source.



### Short-term Support for Families

You will receive a follow-up call after the first and sixth month to ask additional questions or receive more resources if needed.



### Connection to Community Programs and Resources

Participation in Community Programs and Resources can help decrease concerning behaviors. Referrals can include counseling, extra-curricular activities, mentoring, parent and/or peer support, transportation, etc.

Eligible children/youth, who need more intensive services, can be connected to a mental health provider of your choice within OCHN's provider network. Services can include but are not limited to: Community living support, medication management, medication case review, mental health therapy, respite services, substance use services, wraparound, and more.

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