



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES (DHHS) SELECTED RESOURCES FOR SCHOOL SAFETY, SECURITY, AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT: May 2014

Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response (ASPR) Division for At Risk, Behavioral Health & Community Resilience (ABC):

Provides subject matter expertise, education, and coordination to internal and external partners to promote community resilience and ensure that behavioral health issues and the needs of at-risk individuals are integrated in the public health and medical emergency preparedness, response, and recovery activities of the nation.

- HHS Disaster Behavioral Health Concept of Operations
- HHS Human Services Concept of Operations
- CHILD Report
- Fact Sheets and Resources focusing on At-Risk Individuals, Behavioral Health and Community Resilience
- Pediatric Preparedness/Hospital Preparedness Program Webinar
- www.phe.gov/ABC

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC):

- **Caring for Children in a Disaster:** www.bt.cdc.gov/children/
- **School Violence information and resources:**
<http://www.cdc.gov/violenceprevention/youthviolence/schoolviolence/index.html>
- **Safe School Resources:** <http://www.cdc.gov/features/safeschools/>
- **Emergency preparedness and response for schools and child care centers:**
<http://emergency.cdc.gov/children/schools.asp>

Health Resource Service Administration (HRSA):

Bureau of Primary Health Care (BPHC):

- **“Find a Health Center” tool:** <http://findahealthcenter.hrsa.gov>
- **School-based Health Centers:**
 - Emergency Preparedness: How to Prepare for and Communicate During a Crisis
 - http://www.sbh4all.org/site/c.ckLQkBOVLkK6E/b.7517409/k.6147/Emergency_Preparedness.htm

Maternal and Child Health Bureau (MCHB):

- **Emergency Medical Services for Children (EMSC):**
 - <http://pediatricreadiness.org>
 - <http://emscnrc.org>
 - <http://www.nedarc.org>
 - Illinois EMSC Guidelines for the Nurse in the School Setting
http://www.luhs.org/depts/emsc/schl_man.htm
 - Nebraska and North Carolina have developed Emergency Guidelines for Schools

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA):

Disaster Distress Helpline (DDH): A hotline dedicated to providing disaster crisis counseling. The DDH operates 24/7, is free, confidential, and multilingual, and crisis support service is available via telephone and text message. 1-800-985-5990 or Text TalkWithUs to 66746 . TTY for Deaf/Hearing Impaired: 1-800-846-8517.

<http://disasterdistress.samhsa.gov>

National Child Traumatic Stress Network: www.nctsn.org

- **Tips for Talking With and Helping Children and Youth Cope After a Disaster or Traumatic Event: A guide for parents, caregivers, and teachers** <http://store.samhsa.gov/shin/content/SMA11-DISASTER/SMA11-DISASTER-09.pdf>
- **Resources for Schools** <http://www.nctsn.org/resources/audiences/school-personnel>
 - Child Trauma: A Toolkit for Educators
 - Psychological First Aid for Schools
 - Schools and Trauma Speaker Series
 - School Resources for School Personnel
 - School Bullying and Cyber Bullying Awareness/Prevention

Safe Schools/Healthy Students: A comprehensive approach to youth violence prevention, the SS/HS Initiative is a Federal grant-making program designed to prevent violence and substance abuse among our Nation's youth, schools, and communities. <http://www.sshs.samhsa.gov/>

Other resources:

- **SAMHSA Disaster Behavioral Health App:** Access critical, disaster-related behavioral health resources right from your phone with the SAMHSA Disaster App. <http://store.samhsa.gov/apps/disaster/?from=carousel&position=3&date=04102014>
- **Preventing Suicide: A Toolkit for High Schools (2012)** Assists high schools and school districts in designing and implementing strategies to prevent suicide and promote behavioral health. Includes tools to implement a multi-faceted suicide prevention program that responds to the needs and cultures of students. <http://store.samhsa.gov/product/SMA12-4669>
- **SAMHSA News: Bullying: Dispelling Myths, Enhancing Prevention** Reports on complex factors surrounding bullying and the activities underway to reduce its occurrence; new tools to prevent opioid overdose and underage drinking; rises in PCP-related emergency department visits; and the final rule on the Federal parity law. <http://store.samhsa.gov/product/SAMHSA-News-Bullying-Dispelling-Myths-Enhancing-Prevention/SAM14-221>
- **Interventions for Disruptive Behavior Disorders Evidence-Based Practices (EBP) KIT** Includes tools to assist in developing mental health programs that help prevent or reduce severe aggressive behavioral, emotional, and development problems in children by enhancing the knowledge of parents, caregivers, and providers. <http://store.samhsa.gov/product/Interventions-for-Disruptive-Behavior-Disorders-Evidence-Based-Practices-EBP-Kit/SMA11-4634CD-DVD>
- **SAMHSA News: Preventing School Violence: A Sustainable Approach** Highlights a program that engages communities to prevent substance abuse and promote safe school environments. Also reports on a new national dialogue on mental health, strategies for responding to the Boston marathon tragedy, and the value of family networks. <http://store.samhsa.gov/product/SAMHSA-News-Preventing-School-Violence-A-Sustainable-Approach/SAM13-212>
- **Stopbullying.gov:** provides information from various government agencies on what bullying is, what cyberbullying is, who is at risk, and how you can prevent and respond to bullying.