

COUNTY OF SUFFOLK



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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES

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Commissioner

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Dear Superintendent,

A comprehensive array of behavioral health services is available for children and their families in Suffolk County. Services range from behavioral health clinics to innovative community support and crisis services to community-based residential programs and inpatient services. Enclosed please find the following material: Children's Mental Health Services in Suffolk County, Children's Single Point of Access (CSPOA) flyer, CSPOA brochure, DASH flyer, and the Parent to Parent Program flyer. Additional information including the Suffolk County Directory of Behavioral Health Services and CSPOA application can be found using the URL <https://www.suffolkcountyny.gov/Departments/Health-Services/Mental-Hygiene>. **Please share this information with appropriate staff within your school district.**

Diagnostic Assessment and Stabilization Hub (DASH):

- DASH offers 24 hours, 7 days a week, year round crisis care at a community-based site;
- Assessments, counseling and care management intervention is available for children 5 years or older, adolescents and adults;
- The Mobile Response Team (MRT) delivers crisis care to schools, homes and other community locations. MRT operates from 8 A.M. to Midnight, 7 days a week.
- **Crisis Hotline 631-952-3333**

Children's Single Point of Access (CSPOA):

- CSPOA serves as a resource for information, outreach, consultation/advocacy and service linkage to children's mental health services in Suffolk County;
- Services under the CSPOA umbrella range from short-term preventive programs for children at risk of developing a serious emotional disturbance to in-home and residential programs for Suffolk County's most psychiatrically fragile youth regardless of insurance status;
- CSPOA staff are available for consultation and trainings related to children's mental health services in Suffolk County.
- **CSPOA: 631-853-8513**

Please feel free to contact the Children's Services unit of the Division of Community Mental Hygiene at 631-853-8513 if you have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,
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