

Behaviors of Concern

- Difficulty making friends or frequent complaints of bullying
- School avoidance/refusal
- Frequent school disciplinary actions or truancy
- Frequent physical complaints
- Failing grades or frustration in completing schoolwork
- Change in sleep/eating habits, behavior, or interests

Please call with any questions
or for enrollment information

724-266-2833 ext. 2223

**HELPING CHILDREN
BECOME SUCCESSFUL
IN LIFE**

Staff Qualifications

- Primary therapists are Licensed Behavior Specialists or Licensed Professional Counselors
- All staff have extensive experience in the treatment of childhood mental health issues
- All staff are experienced in addressing the concerns of children and their families with a comprehensive team approach that includes the child, family, school and community
- Psychiatrist provides complete clinical oversight and additional evaluation upon referral

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POSITIVE STEPS

Ambridge Area School District

School-Based Behavioral Health Program

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SERVICES

Individual and Family Therapy

During sessions the primary therapist will be emphasizing psycho-education, parent training in behavior modification strategies, community resource and care coordination, brief family therapy, and motivational enhancement strategies.

Consultation with School Staff

Therapists will conduct ongoing consultations with the child's teachers, paraprofessionals and school administration to address the child's behavioral, social or emotional concerns.

Assessment/Evaluation

Each child referred for services will receive a comprehensive assessment to determine the direction and scope of treatment needs. Therapists will gather information from the child, his/her family and school staff/administration to complete a thorough evaluation.

Group Therapy

Once a week group therapy sessions will be offered focusing on relevant issues such as anger control, bullying, and grief/loss.



CARE

At WPPC, we are committed to providing the highest quality mental health care to children, adults and families in Western Pennsylvania. We believe that each person who seeks treatment services deserves to be treated with concern, thoughtfulness and attentiveness. Treatment is provided in a manner that respects the inherent value of every person. We strive to improve the quality of life for children, adults, and families, and in so doing, the communities of Western Pennsylvania.



REFERRAL INFORMATION

Referral Sources

A student can be referred by

- School Staff or Teachers
- Administration
- Psychologists or Pediatricians
- Parents or Legal Guardians
- Self (14 years old or older)

Referral Reasons

Common Childhood Disorders

- ADHD
- Anxiety Disorders
- Autism Spectrum Disorder
- Oppositional-Defiant Disorder

Other problem areas such as

- Excessive Worrying
- Difficulty Transitioning
- Social Skills/Peer Relations
- Inattention
- Disruptive Behaviors
- Impulse Control
- Anger/Irritability