

GETTING HELP FOR TROUBLED CHILDREN THROUGH INTERVENTION

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Early intervention services can be provided to parents, kids, or entire families, but their main objective is to enhance the results for kids. For instance, programs may assist parents who are dealing with difficult situations to give their kids a safe and loving environment. Alternately, if a kid is acting risk-takingly, early help professionals may work with the child and their parents to understand the causes of the child's behavior and implement measures to keep them safe.

Timely assistance is essential. Early intervention can lower risk factors and boost protective factors by addressing a child's or family's needs (Early Intervention Foundation (EIF), 2021). The frequency and severity of behavioral issues can be reduced within school communities by using prevention strategies. However, preventative initiatives cannot solve every student's issue on their own. Although the percentage can differ between schools and communities, 5 to 10% of adolescents will require more intense interventions to reduce their high-risk behaviors.

Plans for preventing and responding to violence should take both prevention and intervention into account. Plans should also make it simple for all employees to contact a group of experts skilled in assessing major behavioral and academic issues. Special education services should be available to eligible students, and classroom instructors should have access to school psychologists, other mental health professionals, counselors, reading experts, and special educators for consultation. Additionally, interventions work better when they are planned and carried out regularly over time with the child, the family, and the right specialists' input. To reinforce and improve their intervention

planning, schools can also make use of the resources in their local community. It is beneficial to take into account a few concepts that research or expert-based experience demonstrates to have a big impact on the success when creating a violence prevention and response plan.

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