

The Child Center of NY programs and services

When children and their families come through our doors, we look at them holistically...at physical, cognitive, social and, most importantly, emotional health. We evaluate and intervene to help resolve each piece of these interrelated challenges and problems.

FAMILY INTERVENTION

Child Abuse Prevention
Parent Education
Consultation to Prevent Placement

CHILD and YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

Outreach to New Immigrants
Child Care
Mother-Infant Socialization Groups
Head Start
Early Head Start
After-School Programs
Tutoring in Reading and Math
Youth Empowerment
Beacon Community Resource Centers
Job Preparation and Placement
Individual and Group Counseling
Peer Education to Prevent HIV/AIDS
& Teen Battering
Specialized High Schools for Youth
at Risk of Not Graduating

COUNSELING

Individual and Family Therapy
In-School Counseling
Substance Abuse Treatment for
Adolescents and Women
Anger Management Groups
Asian Outreach Substance Abuse
Treatment
Parenting Classes
Counseling for Children in Foster Care,
Birth and Foster Parents
Single Stop to Access Services

HOME VISITING to PREVENT PSYCHIATRIC HOSPITALIZATION

Blended Case Management
Step-Down Case Management
Crisis Intervention
Waiver Services

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For a complete list of clinic names and addresses, log on to childcenterny.org. New programs are continually added in response to need.

The Pain You've Given

If I was injured
Would you come and
save me?
Or are you going to
leave?
I want to be saved
from this pain
I don't want to be
abandoned from you
I don't want to be left
in the darkness
I want to feel safe
and happy
I want you to save me,
But you're not
You're going to leave
me with so much pain
You're going to leave me in a field of darkness
Why are you abandoning me...?
I only wish to be saved from this pain.....



Poem and drawing by 13-year-old patient, being treated for self-mutilation.

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The POEMS and DRAWINGS on these pages were created by CHILDREN and YOUNG TEENS during individual therapy sessions at THE CHILD CENTER of NY. The Child Center is a place of SAFETY and HEALING for them—perhaps the first one in their troubled lives.

For more than 50 years, The Child Center has been a powerful presence in the community—helping children and families rise above the cycles of despair in which they are caught.

Parents and children meet with home visitors—learning coping skills, receiving remedial schoolwork help and learning to keep high-risk behaviors under control. Children and parents visit individual and family therapists—addressing disabling mental health and substance abuse problems. Young teens attend domestic violence and HIV/AIDS prevention workshops—stemming the epidemic of abuse and sexually transmitted disease.

These are just some of the multi-layered services we provide that make the difference for children and families in our most vulnerable communities.

Research shows that risk factors for children, such as financial deprivation and domestic violence, often occur in clusters. The more risk factors the greater the damaging impact on the child.

Because we provide so many kinds of care, we can address the core problems facing families, with more likelihood of keeping them intact and healthy. With healthier families come healthier communities. It benefits us all.

Butterfly

I wish I were a
butterfly
Right when I thought
My life was over
I would become
A beautiful
creature
That can fly
Fly far
Far away
From this ugly place



Poem and drawing by 13-year-old patient in treatment for attempting suicide.



Drawn by 6-year old girl who has suffered long term neglect by her parents. She is in therapy for stealing and lying. The figure at left represents an idealized and wished-for self.

We start with the assumption that all children have the right to lead happy, secure, rewarding lives as contributing members of society.

These troubled economic times should not have to bring fewer services and more pain to the most vulnerable among us. Your partnership is more important now than ever.