

Youth Mental Health First Aid



Who should know Mental Health First Aid?

- Teachers
- School staff
- Coaches
- Camp counselors
- Youth group leaders
- Parents
- Adults who work with youth

Why Youth Mental Health First Aid?

Youth Mental Health First Aid teaches you how to identify, understand and respond to signs of mental health and substance use challenges among children and adolescents ages 12-18.

10.2%

of youth will be diagnosed with a substance use disorder in their lifetime.

*Source: Youth Mental Health First Aid***

1 in 5

teens and young adults lives with a mental health condition.

*Source: National Alliance for Mental Illness**

50%

of all mental illnesses begin by age 14, and 75% by the mid-20s.

*Source: Archives of General Psychiatry****

Register today!

Delivery Format:

In Person Instruction

Date and Time:

January 30, 2025 9AM-3PM
Lunch Provided

Location:

RWJBarnabas Health Institute for Prevention and Recovery 442 NJ-35, 3rd Fl. Eatontown, NJ 07724

Where to register:

Register Online:



The course will teach you how to apply the MHFA Action Plan (ALGEE):

- **Assess** for risk of suicide or harm.
- **Listen** nonjudgmentally.
- **Give** reassurance and information.
- **Encourage** appropriate professional help.
- **Encourage** self-help and other support strategies.

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