

Talk with your children about their mental health. Make topics around mental health, stress, anxiety, fear and feelings common in your home and in your child's life.

#weALLhavementalhealth



Trust your gut; you know your child best! If you believe your child is struggling or needs help, trust that feeling.

#NoHealthWithoutMentalHealth

ROLE MODEL

Show your children it is ok to talk about and care for their mental health by taking care of yourself.

#ChildrensMentalHealthMatters

MENTAL HEALTH FOR CHILDREN What Parents Can Do

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Get a referral to a mental health specialist, if needed. Provide your child with every opportunity to receive treatment and support – just as you would for a broken arm or a fever.



You are not alone; 1 in 5 children experiences a mental health condition. Connect with other families who can offer support, help and resources.



TEAM UP

Build a team with the professionals and child-serving systems involved in your child's life. An open and honest dialogue with teachers, coaches, doctors and others will give them the information they need to support your child.