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<p>Hirsch, G.S. (n.d.). Guide to Psychiatric Medications for Children and Adolescents. Retrieved March 2, 2021 from http://ocfcpacourts.us/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/Guide_to_Psychiatric_Medications_for_Children_001360.pdf</p>	<p>This guide was developed by Glenn S. Hirsch, M.D., and lists the most common psychiatric medications for children and youth. The guide provides various classes of medications: stimulants, SSRIs or SRI, antidepressants, antipsychotics, and mood stabilizers etc., the brand and generic names, benefits, side effects, and notes regarding each class of medication are included for reference.</p>	<p>The guide is one of the numerous resources found in the Psychotropic Medication Tool Kit provided from the Pennsylvania State Roundtable's Psychotropic Medication Workgroup. Additional resources and information can be accessed from the State Roundtable Reports and resources found on the Office of Children & Family in the Courts website, https://ocfcpacourts.us/childrens-roundtable-initiative/state-roundtable-workgroupscommittees/psychotropic-medications/</p> <p><i>To retrieve the article, use the link below:</i></p> <p>https://ocfcpacourts.us/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/1.-Guide-to-Psychiatric-Medications-for-Children-and-Adolescents.-new.pdf</p>
<p>National Child Welfare Resource Center for Family-Centered Practice.</p>	<p>This publication contains multiple articles focusing on the challenges within the child welfare system with</p>	<p>A good overview highlighting mental health challenges</p>

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<p>(2003). Best Practice/Next Practice. Summer 2-31, Pages 1-8 and 26-32. Retrieved June 24, 2021, from http://www.hunter.cuny.edu/socwork/nrcfcpp/downloads/newsletter/BNPNSummer03.pdf</p>	<p>respect to children and families with mental health issues. Articles address a variety of issues including typical mental health diagnosis in childhood and adolescence, attachment, and the impact of ethnicity and race-specific to child welfare.</p>	<p>facing the child welfare system. Also, good quick reference of common disorders diagnosed in children (i.e., ADHD, Anxiety, Depression, PDD, among others).</p> <p><i>To retrieve the article, use the link below:</i></p> <p>https://ocfcpcourts.us/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/2.-Best-Practice-Next-Practice..pdf</p>
<p>Office of Children & Families in the Courts. (n.d.). Psychotropic Medications. Retrieved September 16, 2021, from https://ocfcpcourts.us/childrens-roundtable-initiative/state-roundtable-workgroupscommittees/psychotropic-medications/</p>	<p>In 2011, the Pennsylvania State Roundtable commissioned the Psychotropic Medication Workgroup. The website provides a bench card, educational video, links, handouts, reports, and recommendations for judges and legal professionals to utilize when working with individuals with mental health issues.</p>	<p><i>To access the resources on the website, use the link below:</i></p> <p>https://ocfcpcourts.us/childrens-roundtable-initiative/state-roundtable-workgroupscommittees/psychotropic-medications/</p>
<p>Skowyra, K.R., & Coccozza, J.J. (2007). Blueprint for Change: A Comprehensive Model for the Identification and Treatment of Youth With Mental Health Needs In Contact With the Juvenile Justice System. Delmar,</p>	<p>This publication was developed with funding provided by the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention and is heavily geared towards youth in the juvenile justice system. A Model is suggested for use in developing strategies, policies, and services aimed at improving mental health services for youth involved with</p>	<p>Given the cross-over of youth in dependency and delinquency systems, this is good background information for any judge working with children in either system. Only the Executive Summary is</p>

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<p>NY: The National Center for Mental Health and Juvenile Justice (OJJDP Grant # 2001-BR-JX-0001). Pages 1-10. Retrieved November 12, 2021, from http://njjn.org/uploads/digital-library/resource_349.pdf</p>	<p>the juvenile justice system. The Model emphasizes four areas including collaboration, identification, diversion, and treatment. A summary of what is known about the best way to identify and treat mental disorders among youth at key stages of juvenile justice processing is provided.</p>	<p>included in the Resource Companion. To review the 140-page document use the link below.</p> <p><i>To retrieve the article, use the link below:</i></p> <p>https://ocfcpacourts.us/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/Blue-Print-for-Change.-complete-resource-140-pages-1.pdf</p>
<p>Solchany, J. (2012, February). Psychotropic Medication and Children in Foster Care: Tips for Advocates and Judges. Retrieved March 2, 2021, from https://www.americanbar.org/groups/public_interest/child_law/resources/child_law_practiceonline/child_law_practice/vol_31/Feb12/psychotropic_medicationandchildreninfostercaretipsforadvocatesan/</p>	<p>This article is from the American Bar Association and was adapted from the ABA practice and policy brief to aid attorneys and judicial officers in understanding the use of psychotropic medications. It provides a brief synopsis of the benefits, drawbacks, the modalities: medication treatment, or psychopharmacology, type of therapy, and who should be involved. The article provides recommendations for best practices, and questions judges and attorneys should ask when considering the best interests of a child or youth under court supervision.</p>	<p><i>To retrieve the article, use the link below:</i></p> <p>https://ocfcpacourts.us/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/4.-Psychotropic-Medication-and-Children-in-Foster-Care -Tips-for-Advocates-and-Judges-new.pdf</p>