EVIDENCE-BASED GUIDELINES FOR ADHD

Children diagnosed with ADHD are considered to belong to a vulnerable population.

ADHD: Clinical Practice Guidelines for ADHD in Children and Adolescents; AAP Committee, 2011

- Ages 4-5 yo (new age expansion for the EBGs)
- Parent and/or teacher administered behavioral therapy
- Methylphenidate if no improvement with behavioral therapy and behavior continues at moderate to severe levels
- Ages 6-11 yo
- Behavioral therapy and/or medication (in the following order)
 - Stimulant medications
 - o atomoxetine
 - o Extended release guanfacine
 - o Extended release clonidine
- School environment, program or placement
- Ages 12-18 yo
- Assess for substance abuse in those with new diagnosis
- Medications with the adolescent's assent
- Behavioral therapy

OR THE FOLLOWING GUIDELINES CAN BE UTILIZED:

Preventive Medicine

Evidence Based Guidelines: AAP Vanderbilt Toolkit http://www.nichq.org/adhd_tools.html.

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