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- College students and mental health.
- Exactly what is an emergency?
- What are my resources?



MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH

Break the Stigma https://youtu.be/esx34n3mFCo



College students and mental health

Ninety-five percent of college counseling center directors surveyed said the number of students with significant psychological problems is a growing concern in their center or on campus, according to the latest Association for University and College Counseling Center Directors survey of counseling center directors. The survey also found that:

- Anxiety is the top presenting concern among college students (41.6 percent),
- followed by depression (36.4 percent),
- and relationship problems (35.8 percent).
- On average, 24.5 percent of clients were taking psychotropic medications.
- 21 percent of counseling center students present with severe mental health concerns,
- while another 40 percent present with mild mental health concerns.





College students and mental health

The top five mental health problems facing college students per a survey by the National Alliance on Mental Illness (<u>www.nami.org</u>).

- 1. Depression
- 2. Anxiety
- 3. Suicide
- 4. Eating Disorders
- 5. Addiction





College students and mental health

Common stressors among our population:

Anxiety

### Depression

Other stressors (loss/grief, domestic abuse/legal problems, financial, homelessness) Addiction



### **IMPORTANT**

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- Faculty/staff can assist by finding help.
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Exactly what is an emergency?



Basically any safety concerns.

Suicidal thoughts or behaviors to harm self.

Homicidal thoughts or behaviors to harm others.

Threats of harm to vulnerable populations. (children, elderly, disabled)



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www.SuicidePreventionLifeline.org

1-800-273-8255 (TALK) 24/7

Resources

For Alcoholics Anonymous (AA), Al-Anon, Alateen meetings <u>www.centexintergroup.com</u>, 'meetings' tab then 'Temple-Belton-Killeen' tab. 1-254-754-3336, 24/7

Other:

MHMR, Mental Health Crisis Line: 1-800-888-4036 Domestic Violence Hotline: 1-800-799-7233 (SAFE) Texas Child & Elder Abuse Reporting: 1-800-252-5400 UMHB Community Life Center (Counseling Only): 254-295-5531



<u>Mental Health on Campus – Important Contact Information</u>

#### www.ulifeline.org

#### Resources

#### www.jedfoundation.org/students

(Tips on helping friends in a crisis and ideas on developing good wellness habits.)

Beyond OCD, <a href="http://beyondocd.org/information-for-college-students">http://beyondocd.org/information-for-college-students</a>

#### **Anxiety Resource Center**, <u>http://anxietyresourcecenter.org</u>

The Trevor Project, <a href="http://www.thetrevorproject.org/section/get-help">http://www.thetrevorproject.org/section/get-help</a>

(The Trevor Project is support for the LGBTQ community. 1-866-488-7386)



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Eating Disorder Hope, <u>http://www.eatingdisorderhope.com</u>

Alcoholics Anonymous, <u>www.aa.org</u>

Narcotics Anonymous, <u>www.na.org</u>

Veterans Crisis Line, 1-800-273-8255

Confidential chat at VeteransCrisisLine.net or text to 838255

Guardian of the Golden Gate Bridge <a href="https://youtu.be/mddQzCd23EY">https://youtu.be/mddQzCd23EY</a>

Famous People with Mental Illness <u>https://youtu.be/u9Xw1LCKACE</u>