

POLICIES

POLICIES for Treatment of Mental Disorders. The project coordinator is Dr Allan Mawdsley. The version can be amended by consent. If you wish to contribute to the project, please email admin@mhyfvic.org

[6] Standard Treatment

- a) Outpatient psychotherapies, medication and procedures
- b) Inpatient psychotherapies, medication and procedures
- c) Ancillary support services

[6 a] Outpatient psychotherapies, medication and procedures

MHYFVic advocates that Specialist mental health services should offer a range of therapeutic programs for disabling mental health problems in the community. All disorders in childhood require wholistic management involving caregivers. Service provision, clinical research and training should be integrated in the Tier Three facilities, with the practice guidelines published by those services implemented at all levels of their service delivery facilities. The baseline standard of case assessment required is that outlined in PE4 (and PE2a(i) for infant mental health)

POL6a (viii) Developmental Disorders and Intellectual Disability

MHYFVic advocates that Specialist mental health services should offer multidisciplinary assessment and treatment programs for children with intellectual disability and developmental disorders including autism spectrum disorders. Such services would include ongoing collaboration with families and consultative support to other agencies involved in the management plan. It would also include components for management of challenging behaviours.

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