

Mental Health in Schools

Fact Sheet

Learn the truth about the mental health industry, psychiatric drugs, electroshock and coercive psychiatric practices.

Our Schools: How the Mental Health Model Is Hurting American Businesses

When children are drugged at an early age with medications that include very serious side effects, this cannot help but impact business. We need a new model of mental health, and though the problem starts in our public education system, businesses are in the right place to champion an approach that does not use pathological categories to “normalize” young people.

Over 3 million children in America have been prescribed drugs for ADHD. Children today are not allowed to be children — any behavior that can be monetized as a mental illness is being labeled as such.

Mental Health is Big Business

Children are becoming the victims of [polypharmacy](#) and in a study of children in New York, 38% of them were taking multiple potentially dangerous psychiatric drugs. This same study reports that the number of children falling prey to polypharmacy is increasing. “Mental health” is big business with the overall market for psychotropics estimated at [\\$20.2 billion in 2022](#) and is expected to grow.

Unlearning the Mental Health Model

Mental health curriculums are mandatory in many states and schools are formally evaluating students for mental health disorders, often times without parental knowledge or consent. Instead of helping communities create a generation of competent citizens, our education system is building a generation of victims who don’t have the skills to succeed in life or in business.

Key Facts

- ***During 2018–2019 1 in 7 children ages 3 to 17 in the USA had a current, diagnosed mental or behavioral health condition.***
- ***Anxiety problems, behavior disorders, and depression are the most commonly diagnosed mental disorders in children based on data from 2021–2022.***
- ***The link between a good-quality diet and mental health is well-established.***
- ***Physical fitness helped children and adolescents protect themselves from developing depressive symptoms, anxiety and ADHD.***

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