

SCHIZOPHRENIA

What It Is:

A severe mental health disorder that affects a person's ability to think clearly, manage emotions, make decisions, and relate to others. It can involve delusions, hallucinations, and disorganized thinking.

Impact:

Children with schizophrenia may have difficulty distinguishing reality from their thoughts and perceptions, leading to confusion, paranoia, or social withdrawal. It can severely impact learning and relationships.

Support Strategies:

- Ensure access to mental health support, including therapy and medication management.
- Create a calm, structured environment with minimal changes to reduce stress and anxiety.
- Use clear, direct communication to help the child process information and make decisions



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