

RISK FACTORS – ADVERSE CHILDHOOD EXPERIENCES (ACES)

ACEs are adverse childhood experiences that harm children's developing brains and lead to changes in how they respond to stress. As your ACE score increases, so does you risk of disease and social and emotional problems. **Nationally, 16% of the** youth studied reported 4 or more ACES.

PREVALENCE — MCOT CRISIS CALLS

Providing a 24-hour-a-day emergency response to mental health crises; the Mobile Crisis Outreach Team (MCOT) has nearly doubled the number of clients served since its inception.

IN THE PAST FIVE YEARS

CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY CENTER OF COMAL COUNTY

2,019 children screened during forensic interviews by CACC in the past 5 years due to reported abuse.

1,552 reported child abuse/ neglect cases in Comal County in 2018 as reported by DFPS.

512 children have been provided with counseling services to help them cope with the trauma of abuse.

5,532 direct service hours have been provided to children and families.

94 children have graduated from counseling services.

93% average percentage of children showing a decrease in symptoms associated with abuse.

COMMUNITIES IN SCHOOLS OF SOUTH CENTRAL TEXAS

OF YOUTH SURVEYED BY

CONNECTIONS REPORTED

4 OR MORE ACES

5.8

CONNECTIONS CRISIS LINE

In the past five years, Connections

has answered over 2,650 calls from

individuals experiencing a crisis and

connected them to needed services.

THE AVERAGE NUMBER

OF ACES REPORTED BY YOUTH SERVED AT

15,962 students have participated in the Signs of Suicide (SOS) presentation with **1,865** students assessed by CIS counselors due to risk of suicide.

707 students received over 5,305 hours of counseling.

CONNECTIONS INDIVIDUAL AND FAMILY SERVICES

5,830 individuals received counseling services over the past five years. That's an average of over **1,100** clients a year.

CONNECTIONS CLIENTS SHOWING IMPROVEMENT AFTER SERVICES



MENTAL HEALTH IN 2021

Mental health continues to be addressed and prioritized in our community.

McKenna works with nonprofit partners to ensure anyone experiencing a mental health concern has access to the proper resources. These organizations also help screen and identify risk factors within the community while advocating for proper assistance.

REPORTED CAUSES OF MENTAL HEALTH CRISES

Data collected from 2017 through 2020 found that 50% of MCOT clients and 29% of students assessed by Signs of Suicide (SOS) have attempted suicide in the past.

TOP THREE CAUSES OF CRISIS BY PROGRAM

- Family Conflict 46% Mental Health Concerns 23% Academic/Work Stress 23%
- Mental Health Conditions 85% Family Conflict 38% Past Trauma 20%

CRISIS RESPONSES BY YEAR



RIVER CITY ADVOCACY & COUNSELING CENTER

766 individuals participated in **2,150** peer group sessions.

969 individuals participated in

8,413 individual counseling sessions.

HILL COUNTRY MENTAL HEALTH AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES CENTER

6,073 individuals in a psychiatric/ behavioral health crisis were provided services by MCOT.

Over **350** individuals were provided with emergency psychiatric evaluations within **72** hours of their crisis.

4,350 individuals and families were referred to other nonprofits as needed.