

Risk Factors for Adolescent Problem Behavior

Risk Factors	Substance Abuse	Delinquency	Teen Pregnancy	School Drop- Out	Violence	Depression & Anxiety
Community						
Availability of Drugs	x				x	
Availability of Firearms		x			x	
Community Laws and Norms Favorable Toward Drug Use, Firearms, and Crime	x	x			x	
Media Portrayals of Violence					x	
Transitions and Mobility	x	x		x	x	x
Low Neighborhood Attachment and Community Disorganization	x	x			x	
Extreme Economic Deprivation	x	x	x	x	x	
Family						
Family History of the Problem Behavior	x	x	x	x	x	x
Family Management Problems	x	x	x	x	x	x
Family Conflict	x	x	x	x	x	x
Favorable Parental Attitudes and Involvement in the Problem Behavior	x	x			x	
School						
Academic Failure Beginning in Late Elementary School	x	x	x	x	x	x
Lack of Commitment to School	x	x	x	x	x	
Individual/Peer						
Early and Persistent Antisocial Behavior	x	x	x	x	x	
Rebelliousness	x	x		x	x	
Friends Who Engage in the Problem Behavior	x	x	x	x	x	
Favorable Attitudes Toward the Problem Behavior	x	x	x	x	x	
Early Initiation of the Problem Behavior	x	x	x	x	x	
Constitutional Factors	x	x			x	x

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