



YES News & Updates

YOUTH EMPOWERMENT SERVICES NEWSLETTER

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New resources for all things YES now available - YES Practice Manual

A practical guide to Youth Empowerment Services is now available for youth, families and providers. The YES Practice Manual explains all the different parts of the YES system of care. The YES Practice Manual is available as an interactive online document and as a PDF designed for print.

This easy-to-read handbook can be read from front to back to gain a better understanding of YES or used as a reference guide to look up specific subject information. Topics covered in the manual include:

- Identifying youth with a serious emotional disturbance
- YES eligibility
- Mental health assessments and the Child and Adolescent Needs and Strengths tool
- Principles of Care and Practice Model
- Child and Family Teams (CFT)
- Coordinated Care Plans
- Services and Supports
- Complaints and Appeals

The YES Practice Manual replaces the Introduction to YES Guide that was published last year as an overview of YES until the Practice Manual became available.

Visit the [Practice Manual webpage](#) for links to both the electronic manual and PDF file.

A Spanish language version is in development and will be available this spring.

Look for a short video on how to use the YES Practice Manual on the YES website soon.



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PROVIDERS

Clinician Toolkit for collaborating with educators available on new Provider Resources webpage

Providers can now access a new set of tools that include a helpful guide to collaborating with educators, CANS Fact Sheets for Teachers, CANS reference cards, Tell the Story tips for providers and educators and more. Links to these resources are on the [Provider Resources page](#), under Providers on the YES website.



PROJECT

YES Project Goals and Accomplishments Update

This quarterly update is a snapshot of the goals of the current and upcoming quarter related to the YES project, as well as a look at the accomplishments achieved by the YES team for the previous two quarters. Access the [January 2019 Project Update](#) and past updates on the [Reports and Updates page](#).

YES Quarterly QMIA Report Issue #8 shows off redesign

The [January issue of the Quality Management Improvement and Accountability \(QMIA\) report](#) focuses on the first six months of the Youth Empowerment Services implementation. With this issue, the report has been redesigned to make each section easy to print out as a stand-alone document. The QMIA report provides insights into the child-service system in Idaho and includes profiles of Idaho's youth, workforce development, access and barriers such as gaps in services, youth and family experience and engagement, appropriate use of services, effectiveness of services and quality improvement projects. This and previous QMIA Reports are available on the [Reports and Updates page](#) on the YES website.

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