



EVANSVILLE PSYCHIATRIC CHILDREN'S CENTER
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Helping Kids Soar

Mission: Resolve Needs—Build Strengths

Vision: Children making positive life choices and contributions to their community

Treatment Values: Our success with the children depends on staff being:

- Responsive
- Encouraging
- Sensitive
- Perceptive
- Empowering
- Caring
- Thoughtful

Evansville Psychiatric Children's Center (EPCC) is an inpatient psychiatric/behavioral treatment program for children's ages 5 through 13, who are residents of the state of Indiana, have a serious emotional disturbance that has not been successfully treated in less restrictive venues, and has an IQ of 70 or above. EPCC is a state-operated facility and is located at 3300 E. Morgan Ave., Evansville, Indiana, on Evansville eastside.

EPCC admitted their first patient in October of 1966 and initially treated 4 to 16-year-olds. This age range changed to the current operations in 1988. The Center treats an average of 46 patients a year and has treated over 1,275 children since opening. The Center is accredited by the Joint Commission and CMS (Medicaid).

There have been many changes over the years as research on evidence-based programs improved our understanding of the best treatment approaches for the children we serve. The Center utilizes a trauma-informed care approach, providing training to staff on the life altering stressors our children deal with due to trauma they have experienced and organizing the environment for healing and growth.

The program is centered around a psychoeducational format, teaching social skills, problem solving and stress management through the Boys Town learning model. The Center's program is called SOAR—Social Opportunities to Achieve Recovery. The program assigns the direct care staff teaching roles to help children learn the skills they need to maintain appropriate behavior.