

Behavioral health in Georgia



Children'sSM
Healthcare of Atlanta

Access to behavioral healthcare is falling far below the needs of Georgia's children and teens

Access is lacking

Only **49**
child psychiatric practices accept Medicaid patients in Georgia

10.1%
of privately insured children in Georgia do not have access to *mental health coverage*

64.5%
of Georgian youth with *major depression* do not receive any mental health treatment

Georgia ranks **47th**
in the nation for *mental health access*

Need is high

20%
of children in the U.S. have or have had a *serious behavioral health disorder*

Suicide is the **2nd**
leading cause of death for Georgia's youth

9.8%
of Georgia youth report suffering from at least one *major depressive episode* in the past year

4.9%
of children and adolescents in Georgia report having a *substance use or alcohol problem*