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Treatment for First Episode of Psychosis featured in national media story

There was a time when a schizophrenia diagnosis meant the end of a normal life. But according to an article featured in USA Today, research shows that early intervention programs for individuals experiencing a First Episode of Psychosis are increasingly rendering schizophrenia a chronic but manageable condition. Early intervention programs provide young adults experiencing an initial psychotic break with a comprehensive treatment plan, including counseling, medication, education, and family support. Getting individuals engaged in these services early on is shown to reduce future psychiatric hospitalizations associated with schizophrenia. PPSs with Domain 4 DSRIP projects looking to bolster their mental illness prevention services can check out the link for information on NYC's early intervention program OnTrackNY: <http://www.practiceinnovations.org/CPInitiatives/OnTrackNY/tabid/202/Default...>



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Read the USA Today article here: <http://www.usatoday.com/story/news/nation/2014/12/31/early-intervention-me...>

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There is also much research demonstrating a link between maternal stress during pregnancy and diagnoses of schizophrenia and other psychiatric disorders in the offspring. These studies emphasize the importance of the timing of the stress event as impacting critical periods of HPA axis development in-utero, and depending on gestational timing, can produce differential outcomes by sex of the offspring. Understanding research on fetal programming of psychiatric disorders could provide prevention efforts to really be proactive; maybe it looks like a preemptive coordination between pediatricians and child behavior specialists?

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