

Notes:

Youth Response Unit

A partnership with the City of
Wilmington, Wilmington
Police Department, Division
of Prevention and Behavioral
Health and A Seed of Hope
Counseling.



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Wilmington Police Department

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Tel: 302-576-3183



Helping Children heal after trauma.

When a traumatic incident occurs in a home, school or community the YRU will coordinate with available partners to organize the appropriate response to a child or group of children. They will reach out to the individual or community affected by a traumatic event.

The core partners of the YRU are DSCYF, clinicians from A Seed of Hope Counseling Center, members of the Wilmington Police Victim Services Unit and Wilmington Police Officers involved in the affected community or case.

Counseling is available to any child, free of charge, who has been exposed to any type of violence or trauma. Behavioral Health Professionals can meet with children and their families to help them cope with the effects of the trauma.

Realizing that communities need support during a crime, prevention services in various

Wilmington communities will also allow for education on how trauma affects children and how to best support the community experiencing trauma.

Signs to look out for:

- Sleep Disturbance
- Separation Anxiety
- Bedwetting
- Looking out for danger
- Headaches, stomach aches
- Irritability
- Anger outbursts
- Tearfulness, sadness, talking about scared feelings or scary ideas
- Being clingy with parent
- Withdrawal with friends
- Difficulty concentrating at school or home
- Changes in Behavior

Hotlines and Help Numbers

Delaware's 24-hour Mobile Response Stabilization Services Hotline (MRSS/crisis): 1-800-969-HELP(4357)

Crisis Text Line: **Text DE to 741741**

Adult Mobile Crisis Intervention Services (MCIS): 1-800-652-2929

Child Abuse Report Line: 1-800-292-9582

Delaware Victim's Center: 1-800-victim-1 (1-800-842-8461)

WPD Victim Services Unit: 302-576-3622

DPBHS Intake: 1-800-722-7710 or email at: DSCYF_Intake_General@delaware.gov

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