PsySTART® Pediatric Mental Health Incident Management System

A new behavioral health tool for Emergency Support Function 8: Public Health Mental Health and Medical Services for Children from WRAP-EM

What is PsySTART?
► A real-time triage and case management system to assess pediatric needs during a disasters and community emergencies
► Pediatric triage for use by all community partners engaged in an emergency: first responders, emergency management, hospitals (ED), primary care providers, schools, shelters, family assistance centers and others.
► Does not require trained interviewer or mental health provider
► Does not use symptoms

PsySTART features:
► Secure access from any computer, laptop, tablet or phone
► Population-based Incident Command System (IAP)
► Geo-coded, mapping of risk metrics, reporting and planning tools (IAP)—no PHI/PII is used
► Supports case management and crisis standards of care decision support

Exposure-based triage in seconds for immediate response prioritization at the point of care, including:
► New, ongoing or persistent stressors
► Level of exposure to the crisis or event
► Traumatic loss
► Injury and illness
► Does not require mental health provider

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