



LOCAL INTERAGENCY PLANNING TEAMS

Some children need help with serious mental health issues. Your local government can help these children.

Your county should have teams called **Local Interagency Planning Teams**. These teams help organize mental health services for your child. Sometimes people call these teams LIPTs.

What does a LIPT do?

LIPTs meet to create a plan for the child and family.

The plan will include services and programs like mental health care, medical care, Boys and Girls clubs, sports, scouting, and others.

How can my child get a LIPT?

A school teacher, probation officer, or other Georgia government employee can recommend a child to a LIPT. Ask these people to help you get a LIPT for your child.

Call the Georgia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities at (404) 657-2252. Ask them about your county's LIPT.

Who is on the LIPT?

You can and should be involved in your child's LIPT.

Other members of the LIPT may include professionals from different Georgia government agencies and community members who care about your child and family. Your child can also come to LIPT meetings.

You can ask other people in the community to be on the LIPT. You might ask your child's sports team coach or a religious leader or someone else who cares about your child and your family. Your child's LIPT will have a main **Case Manager**. Tell your LIPT case manager who you would like to be a member of the LIPT.



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How can I support my child's LIPT?

Go to the LIPT meetings. Talk to the case manager to understand what is happening and when the first meeting will happen. Let the case manager know if you can't make it to the meeting or need transportation. The LIPT can help you with transportation or make sure that you can join the meetings by phone.