

The Algoma Model

A Collaborative, School-Based Approach
to Addressing Child and Youth Problem Behavior and Mental Health Issues
that Promotes Positive, Healthy Communities

Objective

To promote and support the positive behaviour,
well-being and mental health of all children and youth
in order to maximize their full potential.

Concept

The model uses our schools as “hubs of opportunity”
to support the mental health of our children and youth through a comprehensive range
of natural supports, targeted interventions, specialized treatment, and crisis services.

Goals

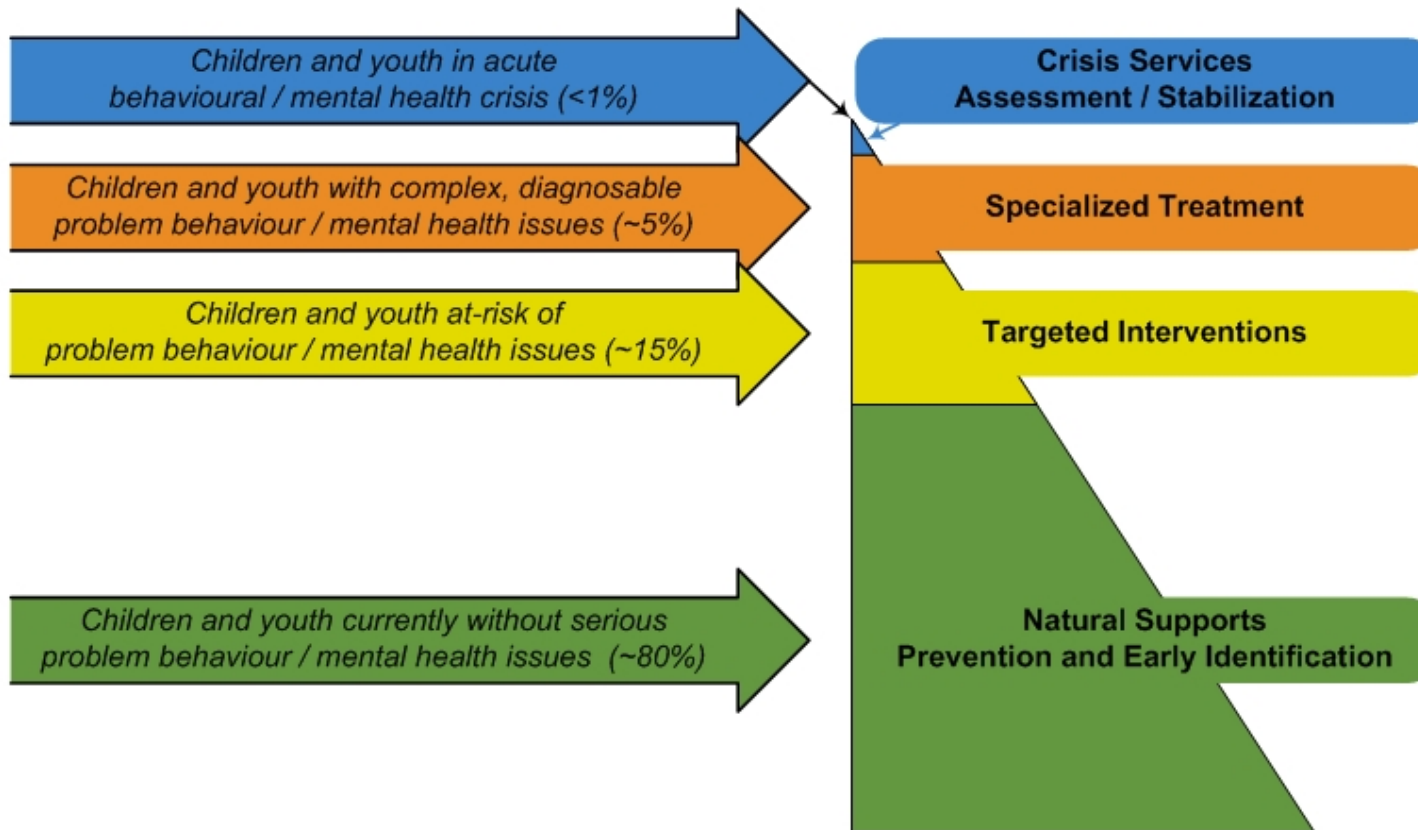
- ✓ Develop a shared vision
- ✓ Deliver comprehensive, integrated services for children and youth through collaboration and partnership
- ✓ Develop a comprehensive range of services – prevention through intensive intervention
- ✓ Enhance positive child and youth mental health in our communities
- ✓ Maximize the use of existing resources throughout the Algoma Region
- ✓ Strategically pool government funding to maximize community capacity

Rationale

- One in five children and youth, at any given time, experience a mental health issue
- Prevention, early identification and intervention lead to healthy communities
- Schools represent the single largest resource available to the children and youth in our communities – and play a key role in positive child and youth mental health and well-being
- Collaboration, joint decision-making, and strong community partnerships maximize the available resources and expertise

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Building Collaboration / Change Management

Evaluation / Accountability / Evidence Based Practice