

# CONTACTS

## CHILDREN AND DOMESTIC ABUSE:

Allegheny County Children,  
Youth And Families 412-473-2000  
Childline 800-932-0313  
HOPE Center 888-299-4673  
Pittsburgh Action Against Rape 412-431-5665  
Women's Center and Shelter 412-687-8005

## MENTAL HEALTH/SUBSTANCE ABUSE:

Alcohol Anonymous 412-471-7472  
Allegheny Co. Warmline 412-820-4357  
Family Services of Western PA 888-222-4200  
Milestone Community M.H. 412-731-9707  
Gateway Rehabilitation Center  
- Main # 412-963-7077  
Pyramid Healthcare—Ridgeview  
Adolescent Treatment Center 1-888-694-9996  
UPMC:  
- Western Psychiatric Institute And Clinic 412-624-2000

## RUNAWAYS:

National Runaway Safeline  
1-800-RUNAWAY or 1-800-621-4000  
Three Rivers Youth 412-441-5200

## GENERAL HELP LINE:

United Way of S.W. P.A 412-261-6010  
ReSolve Crisis Network 1-888-796-8226

# TEAM MEMBERS

Mr. Dan Aaron  
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Mrs. Sharon Rice  
Mr. Michael Slencak  
Mr. David Turk  
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UPMC Liaison

## Student Assistance Program JR-SR HIGH SCHOOL

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# STUDENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Riverview School District has made a commitment to the PA Department of Education to provide a Student Assistance Program (SAP) for the students and families of our district.

The Riverview Junior-Senior High School Student Assistance Program is also known as the RAP (Riverview Assistance Program) Team.

The RAP Team is a voluntary process designed to gather data to assist in the assessment of the students' needs for help and support. The involvement of the parent/guardians of a student is the key to success in this process.

The team members of RAP have undergone extensive training and continuing education as provided by the Pennsylvania Department of Education.

The program is designed to:

- Accept referrals of students who are experiencing barriers such as depression, anxiety, grief, alcohol or drug use, or other concerns to learning or school success.
- Intervene and refer these students to the appropriate school or community resources
- Provide prevention-based activities and programs.

The District made its decision to provide a Student Assistance Program because of its commitment to an educational environment which promotes positive mental health.

## RIVERVIEW RAP TEAM

The Riverview School District RAP Team is comprised of a multi-disciplinary team including building administrators, guidance counselors, a certified school nurse, and classroom teachers. Representatives of community agencies may work closely with the team. Chemical dependency counselors and/or mental health professionals may meet with the students referred to the program. The Riverview Jr-Sr. High School has two teams-one for the Jr High and one for the High School.

## GOALS

- To develop an atmosphere of trust in which students will seek help
- To assure students that with help, problems are resolvable
- To communicate and cooperate with parents/guardians
- To maintain confidentiality
- To acquire necessary referral services for students
- To help improve the quality of life and education for our students

## WARNING SIGNS

Childhood and adolescence are times of many transitions. Changes in a student's behavior are part of normal development. However, a marked change over a period of time should cause concern for the child. The team can assist in deciding if a student needs help for these concerns.

**Please Contact the RAP Team if any of these signs are observed in your child:**

- Deteriorating relationships with family members or friends
- Changing friends or unhealthy peer interactions
- Changing eating and/or sleeping habits
- Needing excessive privacy
- Changing personal appearances
- Declining grades and/or poor school attendance
- Losing interest in hobbies, sports or other favorite activities
- Increasing moodiness or anger
- Changing energy level
- Changing spending habits or having unexplained money
- Using and/or possessing drugs/alcohol/paraphernalia
- Exhibiting glassy, bloodshot eyes or frequent cold-like symptoms

## REFERRALS TO THE RAP TEAM

Teachers, school staff, parents/guardians or other students may make referrals to the RAP Team. Students may also make self-referrals. Any student who violates the School District Tobacco, Alcohol and Other Drugs Policy will automatically be referred. Any student with mental health issues may also be referred.

**Funding for this program has been provided by the Federal Safe and Drug Free School and Communities Act, the Safe Schools Initiative Grant, and the school district.**