

Get to know your prevention specialist

Marissa Cooney, MSSA, LSW

Meet Child and Adolescent Behavioral Health's Marissa Cooney who is a prevention specialist. Marissa provides Alcohol and other Drug Curriculum and Stark County Youth Led Prevention programming and faciliation at various schools in the community.

Marissa who is graduate of Perry High School, went on to earn her bachelor's degree in social work at Malone University, minoring in psychology and her master's degree in social science and administration at Case Western Reserve University.

Marissa said the best part of her job is, "I love working with youth in a group environment." This programming allows students to share their experiences in a safe, comfortable space and with the mental health support that builds self-esteem and confidence in themselves and their ability to change the world around them for the better.

Hobbies: crafting, baking, Goodwill shopping, spending time with family and friends

Favorite book: The Book Thief

Favorite movies: 10 Things I Hate About You.

C&A's Prevention program offers a variety of services to the community, schools, preschools, daycares and families to help build resiliency skills to prevent the onset of substance use and mental health disorders. Prevention focuses on helping people develop the knowledge, attitudes, and skills they need to make good choices or change harmful behaviors. Substance use and mental disorders can make daily activities difficult and impair a person's ability to work, interact with family and fulfill other major life functions. Mental illness and substance use disorders are among the leading conditions that cause disability in the United States. In addition, drug and alcohol use can lead to other chronic diseases such as diabetes and heart disease. Preventing substance use disorders and related problems is critical to Americans' mental and physical health.



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Services at a Glance

Child and Adolescent Behavioral Health (C&A)

Mission Statement:

Working together to be the premier resource for emotional and behavioral health services and products that help children, youth and families successfully meet life's challenges.

Ages served:

Birth to 24-years-old

Locations:

Services are offered in homes, schools, C&A's four Stark County offices, pediatric practices and other community locations throughout Stark County.

Services and programs available:

Case Management Prevention and consultation services
Diagnostic Assessment Psychiatric evaluation/ medication

Dialectical Behavior Therapy Program management

Early Childhood Consultation and Treatment Sexually Inappropriate Behavioral

Fetal Alcohol Evaluations Remediation
Individual and family therapies Substance Abuse Treatment Service

Intensive home-based services Transitional Aged Youth Services

MST & MST-PSB Trauma Focused CBT

Parenting Skills Development Trauma Informed Day Treatment
Peer Mentoring Services

Concerns addressed (include but not limited to):

Anxiety Oppositional and conduct disorders

Autism Spectrum Disorders Parent/child relationship issues

Bullying Psychotic

Court/Legal involvement School difficulties
Depression/mood disorders Self-injured behaviors
Disruptive behaviors Sexual behavioral problems

Divorce, separation and loss

Emotional regulation/anger management

Substance use/abuse

Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders

Suicidal ideation (non-crisis)

LGBTQ Trauma – physical abuse, sexual abuse

bereavement, grief and loss