

# Young adult chronic patient

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### The young adult chronic patient: overview of a population

Young adult chronic patients are best served when their uniqueness as a patient population is acknowledged and heeded and when special services for them are integrated into the total system of care, the author concludes. The center and county are serving 294 such young patients through a variety of programs which include a crisis service, a sheltered workshop, a residential program called the Community Link-Up Experience, an acute day treatment program, an alcohol day treatment program, a case management program, and a Growth Advancement Program that gives patients an opportunity to socialize and share problems with others their age.

### Young adult chronic patients: an analytical review of the literature

PMID: 17367524 Free PMC article. In addition to their role as the primary provider of psychiatric care to these patients, psychiatrists must act as advisors to families and community planners and as political activists to focus additional attention on community-based rather than state hospital-oriented programs. The three subgroups were similar in diagnosis, gender, and age at first hospitalization.

### Young adult chronic patients: an analytical review of the literature

A new generation of persistently dysfunctional young adults aged 18 to 35 has emerged in the community, requiring new programs in community care. The increasing prominence of a young adult patient population results from the confluence of two primary forces: deinstitutionalization policies and demographic factors. The author believes the combination of these factors helps create disproportionately high visibility for young adult chronic patients and requires special provisions for their engagement in treatment.

### Young adult chronic patients: visibility and style of interaction in treatment

Young adult chronic patients are best helped via flexible, accessible, nonstigmatizing, team-oriented treatment programs. Endocrine imbalances and malnutrition can delay and limit growth.

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The author recommends that consideration be given to routinely testing all hospitalized young adult chronic patients for drug and alcohol abuse.

This population, which includes a wide range of diagnostic groups, is under study at a suburban New York community mental health center.

### **Young adult chronic patients: an analytical review of the literature**

To explore the concept of the young adult chronic patient as a distinct clinical entity, the author analyzed a sample of 134 chronic patients on six variables relating to style of interaction with service providers and on diagnostic and demographic variables.

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Some patients require long-term neuroleptic therapy at low maintenance doses.

### **Substance abuse by young adult chronic patients**

CKD-mineral and bone disorder and anemia are particularly challenging given that they are exacerbated by the rapid growth of adolescents. Uninstitutionalized young adults with chronic mental disorders and social disabilities pose a new challenge in community psychiatry. Background: Adolescents and young adults face unique and complex physical, psychological, and family challenges.

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