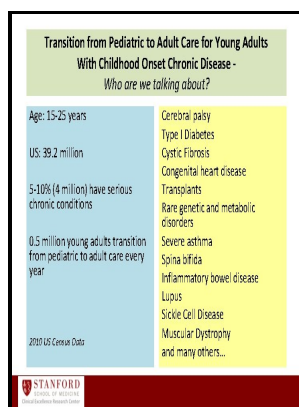


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Adolescents and Young Adults with Chronic or End

Because of the different problems and aspirations of these patients compared to older chronic patients, treatment programs must be age segregated to address these differences. 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. The results showed that the 105 younger chronic patients in the sample were more likely than the older patients to be male, to be referred to treatment for suicidal and homicidal gestures and ideation, to have a diagnosis of personality disorder, and to be overrepresented in the treatment population.

The young adult chronic patient: overview of a population

. A new generation of persistently dysfunctional young adults aged 18 to 35 has emerged in the community, requiring new programs in community care. These attention-seeking, help-rejecting young men and women spend most of their lives in the community and differ markedly from older deinstitutionalized chronic psychiatric patients.

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Some patients require long-term neuroleptic therapy at low maintenance doses. Adolescents have different CKD etiologies and progress along a course dissimilar to the adult population, but have similar multifarious comorbidities. In the setting of puberty and learning to become self-sufficient, adolescence is a critical time for growth and psychosocial development.

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Despite improvements in care for chronic kidney disease CKD and end-stage kidney disease ESKD, long-term mortality for children, adolescents, and young adults with CKD remains substantially higher than their healthy counterparts. 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.

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Residential programs that provide a supportive living situation to young adult chronic patients on both a temporary and a long-term basis are sorely needed and will require an increased outlay of funds.

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