



# EPIC-RAISE

## Early Psychosis Intervention Clinic – Recovery After Initial Schizophrenia Episode

*A collaborative program for the early identification and treatment of mental illness with psychosis*

### What is EPIC-RAISE?

The Early Psychosis Intervention Clinic – Recovery After Initial Schizophrenia Episode (EPIC-RAISE) is a member of the Maryland Early Intervention Program (EIP) Network, a group of providers participating in Maryland’s statewide effort to provide better services to individuals experiencing early psychosis. The EIP Network is a collaboration between the State of Maryland, University of Maryland and Johns Hopkins Bayview Medical Center.



The EPIC-RAISE team at Johns Hopkins Bayview offers evaluation, diagnosis and comprehensive psychiatric treatment of individuals ages 13 to 30 who are having an initial psychotic episode or who have been diagnosed with a primary psychotic disorder in the last two years. Our providers are committed to reducing disability by equipping at-risk individuals and their families with tools to manage their illness, move successfully through the developmental stages of growth and establish a life of their choosing.

### Who does EPIC-RAISE serve?

- Individuals in the early stages of a mental illness with psychosis who may have strange and unusual experiences, such as:
  - Hearing or seeing things that others do not see or hear
  - Having unusual thoughts or beliefs that appear as strange to themselves or others
  - Feeling fearful or suspicious of others, sometimes including others they usually trust
  - Isolating themselves from family and friends
- Health and behavioral health providers interested in:
  - Learning about early psychosis
  - Receiving consultations on complex cases
  - Implementing or supporting an early intervention team
  - Referring individuals in the early stages of a mental illness with psychosis for intensive outpatient treatment
- Family members, friends, educators and others who want to learn about the early stages of a mental illness with psychosis and available services

### What services are available?

- **Outreach and Education** to behavioral health providers, schools, colleges/universities, youth and family organizations, and primary care settings
- **Clinical Services** consist of individual, family, and psychoeducation about early psychosis in young people. Pharmacological services, supported employment and education, as well as targeted behavioral interventions are included in our team-based model of mental health care.
- **Consultation Services** to providers regarding identification and treatment for individuals that may be experiencing symptoms that could be predictive of future psychosis, who have early signs of psychosis or are in the initial stages of psychosis

**For more information, to request education, make referrals or request consultations, contact:**

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