**Expedited Assessment Services for Youth (EASY)**

In situations in which a youth or family are struggling and additional information is needed to determine next steps, Expedited Assessment Services for Youth (EASY) may help provide essential answers. Young people who may be at risk for temporary lodging, emergency room visits, involvement with Juvenile Justice or disruption from their home sometimes need access to expedited evaluations to gain access to appropriate services and supports. *Let’s get them on the right highway*!

When a youth has been identified as needing additional information to determine the best next steps for their unique needs, EASY provides quick access to full psychological/neurological and assessment services within 7 to 10 days. EASY includes a full clinical documentation review, determination of any testing needs, coordinated psychological testing, communication with any current clinical providers, and (where appropriate) coordination with local Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (CDDP) intake screening departments. EASY can be mobile and meet the youth in the community. EASY can also access other experts to support an interdisciplinary view of a child.

EASY will also provide training for community partners to support identifying youth who may have an emerging mental health disorder, and/or a developmental difference. Anyone within the community can make a referral, and all referrals will go through OHA (John Linn) for initial screening. This service is insurance blind, and available to any youth at high risk for placement disruption from their home.

Contact John Linn at [john.r.linn@dhsoha.state.or.us](mailto:john.r.linn@dhsoha.state.or.us) or call at 503-539-0556 for access and/or questions.

For referrals: <https://www.oregon.gov/oha/hsd/bh-child-family/pages/easy.aspx>