

Anxiety Disorders In Children Anxiety And Depression

If your son begs to stay home from school to avoid speaking in front of the class, should you be worried? If your daughter insists on crossing the street whenever she sees a dog, what should you do? A simple evaluation devised by renowned psychologist Dr. Cynthia G. Last can help you determine if you have reason to be concerned. If so, you can use Dr. Last's checklists and examples to figure out the type and severity of your child's anxiety, identify contributing factors, and tackle the problem head on. Strategies tailored for different kinds of anxiety will guide you in preventing new episodes, calming your child when a problem arises, and keeping anxieties in check as your son or daughter matures. Dr. Last delivers powerful advice and insightful information gleaned from 25 years of experience working with worried kids and their families, including coping and relaxation skills your child can use to reduce stress and worry, and tips for encouraging kids to approach--not avoid--their fears. Whether your son or daughter can't go on sleepovers, gets nervous around peers, or just plain worries about "everything," this reassuring and compassionate book will teach you how to soothe your child's immediate fears and instill lasting confidence. *Anxiety-Free Kids* (2nd ed.) offers parents strategies that help children become happy and worry-free, methods that relieve a child's excessive anxieties and phobias, and tools for fostering interaction and family-oriented solutions. Using a unique companion approach that offers two books in one—a practical, reader-friendly book for parents and a fun workbook for kids—this solutions-oriented guide utilizes the cognitive-behavioral approach to therapy and integrates the parent in the child's self-help process. Research has shown that if left untreated, children with anxiety disorders are at higher risk to perform poorly in school, to have less-developed social skills, and to be more vulnerable to substance abuse. Covering the six most commonly occurring anxiety disorders—generalized anxiety, separation anxiety, specific phobias, social phobias, panic disorder, and obsessive-compulsive disorder—this book gives kids and parents successful strategies for achieving relaxation, conquering worries, challenging faulty thinking patterns, developing positive self-talk, and facing one's fears. Educational Resource

A step-by-step resource for treating more than 40 prevalent issues with proven strategies This comprehensive handbook for evidence-based mental health and learning interventions with children and adolescents is distinguished by its explicit yet concise guidance on implementation in practice. With a compendium of proven strategies for resolving more than 40 of the most pressing and prevalent issues facing young people, the book provides immediate guidance and uniform step-by-step instructions for resolving issues ranging from psychopathological disorders to academic problems. Busy academics, practitioners, and trainees in schools and outpatient clinical settings will find this resource to be an invaluable desktop reference for facilitating well-informed decision-making. Unlike other

volumes that ignore or merely reference the evidence base of various interventions, this book focuses on providing immediate, empirically supported guidance for putting these strategies into direct practice. Issues covered include crisis interventions and response, social and emotional issues, academic/learning issues, psychopathological disorders, neuropsychological disorders, and the behavioral management of childhood health issues. Each chapter follows a consistent format including a brief description of the problem and associated characteristics, etiology and contributing factors, and three evidence-based, step-by-step sets of instructions for implementation. Additionally, each chapter provides several websites offering further information about the topic. Featuring contributions from leading scholars and practitioners on each issue covered, this book will be a valuable resource for child clinical and school psychologists, counselors, social workers, and therapists as well as other health and mental health professionals whose primary practice is with children and adolescents.

Key Features: Demonstrates step-by-step, evidence-based interventions for more than 40 common childhood issues Provides treatment procedures that can be immediately put into practice Covers a wide range of mental health and academic/learning issues for children and adolescents Relevance for both school-based and clinically-based practice Includes contributions by noted experts in the field

“Just what the doctor ordered! A clear, concise, and practical guide to help parents help their children master their anxieties.” —Laurel J. Schultz, MD, MPH, community pediatrician at Golden Gate Pediatrics If you have a child with anxiety, you need quick, in-the-moment solutions you can easily use now to help your child face their fears and worries. Written by a psychologist and expert in childhood anxiety, this easy-to-use guide offers proven-effective cognitive behavioral therapy (CBT) and exposure skills you can use at home, in social settings, or anywhere anxiety takes hold. *Anxiety Relief for Kids* provides quick solutions based in evidence-based CBT and exposure therapy—two of the most effective treatments for anxiety disorders. You’ll find a background and explanation of the different types of anxiety disorders, in case you aren’t sure whether or not your child has one. You’ll also learn to identify your child’s avoidant and safety behaviors—the strategies your child uses to cope with their anxiety, such as repeatedly checking their homework or asking the same questions repeatedly—as well as anxiety triggers that set your child off. With this book, you’ll find a wealth of information regarding your child’s specific anxiety disorder and how to respond to it. For example, if your child has obsessive compulsive disorder (OCD), the skills you use to help them are different than other anxiety disorders. No matter your child’s specific symptoms or diagnosis, you’ll discover tailored interventions you can use now to help your child thrive. If your child has an anxiety disorder, simple, everyday activities can be a real challenge. The practical solutions in this book will help you deal with your child’s anxiety when it happens and restore balance and order to both your lives. What

readers are saying: "I was surprised to learn how much of what I was doing as a parent was exacerbating (and not helping) our son's anxiety." — Kath "This book does such a great job of explaining what anxiety is, the range of ways it can show up in kids (and/or adults) and how you can get it under control. ... The guidance laid out is priceless and will be beneficial to anyone suffering from anxiety." — Jennifer "This is a very practical and informative book that will guide parents in helping their children suffering from anxiety or worry. ... Cognitive behavioral therapy is the backbone of Dr. Walker's approach and she makes the approach clear and accessible to non-professionals. A great addition to any parent's bookshelf!" — Michael This book has been selected as an Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies Self-Help Book Recommendation— an honor bestowed on outstanding self-help books that are consistent with cognitive behavioral therapy (CBT) principles and that incorporate scientifically tested strategies for overcoming mental health difficulties. Used alone or in conjunction with therapy, our books offer powerful tools readers can use to jump-start changes in their lives.

Exposure therapy is the most effective psychological treatment for anxiety, yet many clinicians lack confidence in their ability to implement it effectively while keeping clients engaged. This indispensable book provides guidelines for conducting exposure-based interventions and overcoming common roadblocks. Drawing on cutting-edge theory and research, the authors walk clinicians through assessment and treatment planning and demonstrate a wealth of specific exposure exercises. Chapters are organized around common anxiety triggers that may cut across different diagnoses, making it easier to tailor treatment to each individual's needs. Several reproducible handouts and forms can be downloaded and printed in a convenient 8 1/2" x 11" size.

The book collates the latest innovations in cognitive behavioral therapy for child and adolescent anxiety disorders, obsessive-compulsive disorder (OCD) and post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD).

Now in a fully revised and updated second edition, this landmark work brings together leading experts to comprehensively examine all aspects of childhood-onset anxiety disorders. The volume presents the major theoretical perspectives currently informing research and clinical practice, reviews key issues in assessment and diagnosis, and marshals the latest findings on each disorder and its treatment. All chapters in the second edition have been extensively rewritten to reflect significant advances in theory and research, including the results of controlled treatment studies. Important new chapters have been added on behavioral genetics, combined cognitive-behavioral therapy and pharmacotherapy, and prevention. Additionally, separate chapters now cover several disorders that were previously addressed in less depth: generalized anxiety disorder, specific phobias, separation anxiety, and panic.

Most children are afraid of the dark. Some fear monsters under the bed. But at least ten percent of children have excessive fears and worries—phobias,

separation anxiety, panic attacks, social anxiety, or obsessive-compulsive disorder—that can hold them back and keep them from fully enjoying childhood. If your child suffers from any of these forms of anxiety, the program in this book offers practical, scientifically proven tools that can help. Now in its second edition, *Helping Your Anxious Child* has been expanded and updated to include the latest research and techniques for managing child anxiety. The book offers proven effective skills based in cognitive behavioral therapy (CBT) to aid you in helping your child overcome intense fears and worries. You'll also find out how to relieve your child's anxious feelings while parenting with compassion. Inside, you will learn to: Help your child practice “detective thinking” to recognize irrational worries What to do when your child becomes frightened How to gently and gradually expose your child to challenging situations Help your child learn important social skills This book has been awarded The Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies Self-Help Seal of Merit—an award bestowed on outstanding self-help books that are consistent with cognitive behavioral therapy (CBT) principles and that incorporate scientifically tested strategies for overcoming mental health difficulties. Used alone or in conjunction with therapy, our books offer powerful tools readers can use to jump-start changes in their lives.

Fears in young children are a part of normal development, as is evidenced by numerous studies that demonstrate that approximately 90% of American children have at least one fearful reaction between the ages of 2 and 14. Anxiety disorders are among the second most common psychiatric disorders among children and adolescents, affecting approximately 10% of all youngsters under the age of 18. *Childhood Anxiety Disorders* presents information on childhood fears, anxiety and anxiety disorders for mental health professionals. Although firmly rooted in the current scientific research, theory, and discussion, the book is written in a style that is free from technical jargon, making it highly readable. Using the latest research data, this book examines childhood anxiety disorders, including their etiology, psychopathology, and treatment (both pharmacological and psychological). Chapters are devoted to each of the anxiety disorders listed in the DSM-IV-TR Manual, and other chapters cover the fears associated with medical procedures, chronic medical illnesses, and somatic conditions that may develop or are maintained by stress and anxiety, as these are commonly occurring conditions in children and adolescents.

Anxious Kids offers parents a new perspective on their children's anxiety, encouraging them to view each episode as an opportunity to empower their kids with the skills to manage anxiety, and thrive. Bestselling parenting author Michael Grose and wellbeing expert Dr Jodi Richardson explain why more children than ever before experience anxiety. In plain language that can be shared with children, they outline the origins and biology of anxiety to make sense of it - key knowledge such as why it happens, the flood of physical symptoms that comes with it, how to calm it down and why each strategy works. Grose and Richardson also give advice on a range of important steps parents can take to develop emotional intelligence, tolerance of discomfort, mindfulness, resilience, thinking skills and flourishing mental health. In so doing, parents can reduce the impact of anxiety, enabling children of all ages to live their lives

in full colour.

A comforting, practical guide to helping your child deal with anxiety Fear, worry, stomach pains, self-doubt-- these are all classic symptoms of anxiety in children and teenagers. Anxiety affects both boys and girls, regardless of age, size, intelligence, or family specifics. And the only way your family can be free of anxiety is to confront it every time it appears. This book will show you how. The bestselling authors of *The Anxiety Cure* present a reassuring guide to help adults and children understand the way anxiety works. Using characters such as the Dragon and the Wizard, *The Anxiety Cure for Kids* explains how to overcome the negative impacts of anxiety and turn anxiety into a positive opportunity for the whole family. It outlines specific action steps to regain full control of your anxious child's life. You'll learn how to communicate effectively with your child, help him or her confront fear, and boost your child's feelings of accomplishment and self-esteem. The book also includes helpful advice for anyone who works with anxious children, such as teachers, coaches, therapists, and school nurses. The plentiful exercises and tips reveal how to:

- * Recognize the symptoms of anxiety in your child
- * Evaluate your child's need for medication and/or therapy
- * Utilize a journal to gain a clear perspective
- * Assess the role of your family in anxiety disorders
- * Set goals for the future-- including what to do if anxiety returns

Overcoming anxiety in children takes time and persistence-- but it can be done. By making changes little by little, your child can get well and stay well. The lessons in *The Anxiety Cure for Kids* have helped many children break free from anxiety and, with your family's help, your child will too.

Anxiety in Children and Adolescents with Autism Spectrum Disorder: Evidence-Based Assessment and Treatment begins with a general overview of the history of research on anxiety in ASD and the path towards evidence-based assessment and treatment methods. Thereafter, chapters focus on the nature of ASD and anxiety comorbidity, the assessment of anxiety in ASD, and its treatment. Later chapters are devoted to future directions for research on this topic, including a discussion of anxiety assessment and treatment for adults and minimally verbal individuals. Anxiety disorders in children with autism spectrum disorder (ASD) can cause substantial distress and impairment over and above that caused by ASD alone. Emerging research on genetic, psychological, psychophysiological, and psychometric aspects of ASD establish anxiety as a valid and necessary treatment target in this population. This book is designed to help a broad array of providers who work with children with ASD understand cutting-edge, empirically supported treatments for anxiety, including specific treatment plans and strategies. Presents a balanced discussion of the scientific literature on anxiety in ASD Provides a pragmatic, clinically applied focus that gives readers a 'how-to' guide for the treatment of anxiety in ASD Considers the distinct ways in which anxiety presents in children and adolescents with ASD and the challenges this presents to assessment and treatment Examines emerging areas of anxiety assessment and treatment research in ASD

Dr. Sisemore's book draws on scientifically proven strategies for dealing with childhood anxiety. Each simple activity in this collection helps teach children how to stop worrying, overcome their fears, and enjoy being kids. The activities can be used in counseling sessions or as homework exercises.

Pediatric Anxiety Disorders provides a critical, updated and comprehensive overview of anxiety disorders in children and adolescents based on the current state of empirical

research. The book provides specific clinical recommendations which integrate new knowledge from neuroscience and innovative delivery formats for interventions. This is the first reference to examine anxiety diagnoses in accordance with the latest edition of the DSM-5, including childhood onset disorders, such as Separation Anxiety Disorder, Selective Mutism, Specific Phobia, Social Anxiety Disorder, Panic Disorder, Agoraphobia and Generalized Anxiety Disorder. The book assists clinicians in critically appraising the certainty of the evidence-base and the strength of clinical recommendations. Uses the latest edition of the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders, the DSM-5 Includes the Grading of Recommendations Assessment, Development and Evaluation (GRADE) approach in assessing guideline development Focuses on advances in etiology, assessment and treatment Presents new advances in our understanding of the brain behind fear and anxiety Uses a stepped care approach to treatment

Anxiety, whether an illness or emotion, is a term with historical roots even in the Bible, but it was not popular until the modern age. Today, we can group, diagnose and treat several anxiety disorders to an extent, but the assessment of symptoms and severity, dealing with resistant conditions, new treatment modalities and specific patient population, such as children, are still the challenging aspects of anxiety disorders. This book intends to present anxiety disorders from a different view and discuss a wide variety of topics in anxiety from a multidimensional approach. This Open Access book addresses not only psychiatrists but also a broad range of specialists, including psychologists, neuroscientists and other mental health professionals.

"Lebowitz and Omer have taken the latest and most relevant scientific research and synthesized it into an essential read for caregivers of anxious children. Treating Childhood and Adolescent Anxiety: A Guide for Caregivers provides an 'inside look' at the nuts and bolts of cognitive behavioral therapy (CBT) for childhood anxiety the treatment of choice among leading researchers and experts. The book is filled with analogies, examples, and practical advice that professionals and parents will refer back to over and over again." Candice A. Alfano, PhD; Director, Sleep and Anxiety Center for Kids (SACK) Associate Professor, Department of Psychology, University of Houston

PRACTICAL REAL-LIFE SOLUTIONS FOR CHILDREN LIVING WITH ANXIETY FOCUSING ON THE SPECIAL ROLE OF THE CAREGIVER IN ACHIEVING SUCCESSFUL TREATMENT Focusing on the treatment of childhood anxiety, both in one-on-one therapist to child treatment and within the family, Treating Childhood and Adolescent Anxiety: A Guide for Caregivers adopts an integrated approach presenting novel strategies to help mental health professionals and families create change and momentum in otherwise stagnant situations. This empowering guide offers practical, evidence-based, and theory-driven strategies for helping children to overcome anxiety, even if they resist treatment. Uniquely providing concrete advice for both the therapeutic and home environment, this insightful book covers: What to do when anxiety takes over the family School phobia and school refusal Working with highly dependent young adults Parental support and protection Creating and maintaining family boundaries A walk-through of The Supportive Parenting for Anxious Childhood Emotions (SPACE) Program Cognitive, behavioral, physiological, and emotion-based tools for treating anxiety Medication for childhood anxiety

Written for parents and teachers, "The Worried Child" shows that anxiety is preventable--or

can be minimized--by raising children's self-confidence, increasing social and self-control skills, and teaching them how to play, relax, and communicate their feelings and needs.

Presents 16 sessions and activities for children to practice recognizing feelings and physical reactions to anxiety in different situations.

Written at a post-graduate level, this new volume provides a cumulative overview of the research available on the pathogenesis of fear and anxiety in youths. Its aim is to give the reader an idea of the factors that are thought to be involved in the development of abnormal fear and anxiety in children and adolescents, and to integrate this knowledge in a comprehensive model. *Normal and Abnormal Fear and Anxiety in Children and Adolescents* also gives an update of the current scientific status on the psychological and pharmacological treatment and assessment of anxiety disorders in youths. Reviews research literature on the cause of childhood anxiety, not only the existence and treatment Discusses empirically supported intervention strategies Includes questionnaires for measuring anxiety and related concepts that can be employed for research purposes Anxiety disorders in children and adolescents is the author's primary area of research

With anxiety at epidemic levels among our children, *Anxious Kids, Anxious Parents* offers a contrarian yet effective approach to help children and teens push through their fears, worries, and phobias to ultimately become more resilient, independent, and happy. How do you manage a child who gets stomachaches every school morning, who refuses after-school activities, or who is trapped in the bathroom with compulsive washing? Children like these put a palpable strain on frustrated, helpless parents and teachers. And there is no escaping the problem: One in every five kids suffers from a diagnosable anxiety disorder. Unfortunately, when parents or professionals offer help in traditional ways, they unknowingly reinforce a child's worry and avoidance. From their success with hundreds of organizations, schools, and families, Reid Wilson, PhD, and Lynn Lyons, LICSW, share their unconventional approach of stepping into uncertainty in a way that is currently unfamiliar but infinitely successful. Using current research and contemporary examples, the book exposes the most common anxiety-enhancing patterns—including reassurance, accommodation, avoidance, and poor problem solving—and offers a concrete plan with 7 key principles that foster change. And, since new research reveals how anxious parents typically make for anxious children, the book offers exercises and techniques to change both the children's and the parental patterns of thinking and behaving. This book challenges our basic instincts about how to help fearful kids and will serve as the antidote for an anxious nation of kids and their parents.

A fully-revised and updated new edition of a bestselling book designed to help parents, teachers, and counsellors support young people suffering from anxiety. Offers an array of innovative strategies organized into the authors' four-step "COPE" program, which has undergone more than 20 years of successful field testing Each strategy is accompanied by a set of activities contextualized with full details of the appropriate age level, materials needed, suggested setting, and a template script Presents a straightforward account of anxiety, the most prevalent clinical diagnosis in young people, written with a careful balance of scientific evidence and benevolence Features a brand new chapter on preschoolers and a companion website that includes instructional MP3 recordings and a wealth of additional resources Anxiety disorders are among the most prevalent mental health problems in childhood and adolescence. This fully revised new edition is an authoritative guide to the understanding and assessment of anxiety disorders in the young. The first section covers historical and conceptual issues, including cognitive and developmental processes, clinical and theoretical models, phenomenology and classification, and evidence-based assessment. Subsequent sections cover the biology of child and adolescent anxiety, and environmental influences including traumatic events, parenting and the impact of the peer group. The final section addresses prevention and treatment of anxiety. All chapters incorporate new advances in the

field, explicitly differentiate between children and adolescents, and incorporate a developmental perspective. Written and edited by an international team of leading experts in the field, this is a key text for researchers, practitioners, students and clinical trainees with interests in child and adolescent anxiety.

Anxiety disorders and OCD are the most common mental health problems of childhood and adolescence. This book provides a complete, step-by-step program for parents looking to alleviate their children's anxiety by changing the way they themselves respond to their children's symptoms.

With over 10% of all children meeting the criteria for an anxiety disorder, these disorders are among the most common psychiatric problems experienced by schoolage kids, and can significantly interfere with their family and peer relationships and their performance at school. Why does your toddler get upset when his or her routine is disrupted? Why do they follow you from room to room and refuse to play on their own? Why are daily routines such as mealtimes, bath time, and bed time such a struggle? This accessible guide demystifies the difficult behaviors of anxious toddlers, offering tried-and-tested practical solutions to common parenting dilemmas. Each chapter begins with a real life example, clearly illustrating the behavior from the parent's and the toddler's perspective. Once the toddler's anxious behavior has been demystified and explained, new and effective parenting approaches are introduced to help parents tackle everyday difficulties and build up their child's resilience, independence, and coping mechanisms. Common difficulties with bath time, toileting, sleep, eating, transitions, social anxiety, separation anxiety, and sensory issues are solved, along with specific fears and phobias, and more extreme behaviors such as skin picking and hair pulling. A must-read for all parents of anxious toddlers, as well as for the professionals involved in supporting them.

Anxiety is the number one mental health problem facing young people today. Childhood should be a happy and carefree time, yet more and more children today are exhibiting symptoms of anxiety, from bedwetting and clinginess to frequent stomach aches, nightmares, and even refusing to go to school. Parents everywhere want to know: All children have fears, but how much is normal? How can you know when a stress has crossed over into a full-blown anxiety disorder? Most parents don't know how to recognize when there is a real problem and how to deal with it when there is. In *Freeing Your Child From Anxiety*, a childhood anxiety disorder specialist examines all manifestations of childhood fears, including social anxiety, Tourette's Syndrome, hair-pulling, and Obsessive Compulsive Disorder, and guides you through a proven program to help your child back to emotional safety. No child is immune from the effects of stress in today's media-saturated society. Fortunately, anxiety disorders are treatable. By following these simple solutions, parents can prevent their children from needlessly suffering today—and tomorrow. www.broadwaybooks.com From the Trade Paperback edition.

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Is it school refusal or separation anxiety disorder? Can preschoolers have panic attacks? Does food neophobia really exist? For readers seeking ways to improve assessment, case conceptualization, or treatment plans as well as a more general understanding of anxiety disorders among children, the *Handbook of Child and Adolescent Anxiety Disorders* addresses these and many other complex issues. A straightforward companion to the diagnostic manuals, this volume crosses theoretical boundaries to describe in depth the wide range of children's anxiety disorders and to explain the developmental nuances that separate them from their adult analogues. Coverage includes: Diagnostic and etiological models of children's anxiety disorders (i.e., genetic, cognitive-behavioral, taxonomic, neuropsychological, dimensional). Differential diagnosis guidelines for generalized anxiety disorder (GAD), phobic conditions, obsessive-compulsive disorder (OCD), and posttraumatic stress disorder (PTSD) in youth. Ancillary factors in child and adolescent anxiety (e.g., personality, temperament, parenting issues, and comorbid conditions). Psychological, pharmacological, and combined treatments

for childhood anxiety disorders. Special populations and emerging areas of interest, including anxiety disorders in the contexts of chronic health problems and developmental disabilities. The Handbook of Child and Adolescent Anxiety Disorders is a must-have reference for researchers, clinicians, and graduate students in psychology, psychiatry, social work and counseling as well as allied professionals in hospitals, community mental health centers, schools, and private practice.

Written by a team of clinicians specializing in the treatment of children and adolescents, this professional guide offers a comprehensive, practical resource for implementing exposure therapy when treating children and adolescents with anxiety. Each chapter is devoted to tailoring exposure work to a specific anxiety-related condition, such as separation anxiety, phobias, panic, social anxiety, and more, using a variety of creative exposure ideas and activities. In *Exposure Therapy for Treating Anxiety in Children and Adolescents*, you'll find detailed hierarchies and clinical suggestions for treating each specific childhood anxiety condition, including separation anxiety, school refusal, selective mutism, specific phobia, generalized anxiety, panic disorder, social anxiety, obsessive compulsive disorder (OCD), and emotion tolerance. The book also offers an overview of exposure therapy and its implementation in children and adolescents, including a review of current research and empirical findings on this approach. With this book, you'll also find solid strategies for conducting detailed clinical assessments, so you can gain a greater understanding the specific anxiety triggers and factors that play a role in the development of and maintenance of the child's problem, and learn how this information can be used to guide you in your development of specific exposure exercises. Finally, you'll find tips on how to assess for family variables that may contribute to the maintenance of the child's condition, as well as ways to work with parents in becoming effective coaches for their children during exposure-based activities. Children are vastly different than adults in their treatment needs and in the process through which effective therapy is implemented. If you're looking for clear, practical guidelines for designing, adapting, and implementing specific exposure exercises for your young clients, this book provides everything you need in one place.

This book, the ideal following of the previous *New Insights into Anxiety Disorders*, collects papers of a number of clinical psychiatrists all over the world, giving their contribution to the comprehension and clinical management of anxiety disorders. Following the previously edited book on anxiety, this new one will focus on some specific clinical issues such as PTSD, psychosomatics, and complementary approaches to anxiety management themes which were not discussed in the previous book.

Recent years have seen a growing awareness of the common occurrence of anxiety disorders in children and adolescents. There has been a parallel increase in the number of studies examining the risk factors, comorbidity, course and outcome of such disorders, as well as the developments of numerous preventative and intervention strategies. The aim of *Anxiety Disorders in Children and Adolescents* is to present a comprehensive summary of the most recent empirical findings in this area. Written by eminent researchers and clinicians from Europe and America, the book is divided into three broad sections. The first provides a general overview of anxiety disorders in the young, outlining classification and assessment strategies as well as research methods and design. Part two contains chapters on the seven subtypes of anxiety disorder, including panic disorder, obsessive-compulsive disorder and posttraumatic stress disorder. The final section deals with the progress that has been made in the understanding of such disorders and provides recommendations for future investigation. *Anxiety Disorders in Children and Adolescents* is intended for students, researchers and other professionals in the fields of psychology, psychiatry, pediatrics and social work.

In this book, we focus on children with anxiety disorders and the children whose parents were diagnosed with anxiety disorders in their lifetime. The aim is to investigate the different types of

anxiety disorders with different underlying mechanisms. The developmental perspective will support a better understanding of the development of anxiety disorders and transition from childhood to adulthood. We believe this book will appeal to a wide audience of practicing psychiatrists, psychologists, psychiatric nurses, social workers and mental health professionals. It is our hope that many will find this book useful for training mental health professionals to give them the newest developmental point of view about prototype anxiety disorders. We dedicate this book to our lovely families, patients, and their families. We've all felt occasional pangs of shyness and self-consciousness, but for the 15 million Americans with social anxiety disorder, the fear of being scrutinized and criticized can reach disabling proportions. Such was the case for Emily Ford, who shares her firsthand experiences in these pages. Emily's true story of fear, struggle, and ultimate triumph is sure to resonate with other socially anxious teenagers and young adults. Emily's frank, often witty, sometimes poignant account of how she negotiated all the obstacles of social anxiety--and eventually overcame them with the help of therapy and hard work--makes for compelling reading. Yet this book is more than just a memoir. Emily's story is coupled with the latest medical and scientific information about the causes, diagnosis, treatment, and self-management of social anxiety disorder (or SAD). Readers will find a wealth of solid advice and genuine inspiration here. In engaging, accessible language--and with the help of psychiatrist Michael Liebowitz--she discusses what is known and not known about social anxiety disorder in adolescents. She outlines the various psychotherapies available for those with SAD and explains how to seek professional help, how to talk to family and friends about the illness, and how to handle difficult social situations. The result is both an absorbing story and a useful guide that will help to ease the isolation caused by SAD, encouraging young people to believe that, with commitment and hard work, they can overcome this illness. Part of the Adolescent Mental Health Initiative series of books written specifically for teens and young adults, *What You Must Think of Me* will also be a valuable resource for friends and family of those with SAD. It offers much-needed hope to young people, helping them to overcome this illness and lead healthy, productive lives.

Parents can play a strong role in helping their children overcome anxiety disorders--given the right tools. This innovative, research-based book shows clinicians how to teach parents cognitive-behavioral therapy (CBT) techniques to use with their 5- to 12-year-old. Session-by-session guidelines are provided for giving parents the skills to promote children's flexible thinking and independent problem solving, help them face specific fears, and tackle accompanying difficulties, such as sleep problems and school refusal. User-friendly features include illustrative case studies, sample scripts, advice on combining face-to-face sessions with telephone support, and pointers for overcoming roadblocks. Several parent handouts can be downloaded and printed in a convenient 8 1/2" x 11" size.

Compact, authoritative guidance to effective assessment and treatment of the most common psychological difficulties in children and adolescents - phobia and anxiety disorders This authoritative but compact text addresses the psychopathology, assessment, and treatment of the anxiety disorders and phobias in childhood and adolescence. These perplexing conditions are the most prevalent psychological difficulties in young people and result in considerable impairment and distress, not only to the child but also to her or his family. Effective treatments exist, but unfortunately

many of these interventions are either not known to the practicing professionals or not used by them. This volume aims to address this gap and to present these interventions in a clear and straightforward manner.

Over the past decade, significant advances in research methodology have stimulated dramatic progress in the field of child psychiatry in general, and in pediatric anxiety disorders, more specifically. *Pediatric Anxiety Disorders: A Clinical Guide* is a comprehensive and vital addition to the literature at an exciting time in the field of psychiatry. This state-of-the-art reference aims to bridge the most up-to-date research findings with relevant clinical perspectives, making it a unique and essential resource for established clinicians and researchers, as well as for students and trainees. The book is organized into four sections, each of which includes chapters on a specific area of interest. The first section reviews the current research regarding etiological mechanisms of pediatric anxiety. The second section provides in-depth descriptions of the anxiety disorders that affect children and adolescents. The third section summarizes the literature on empirically supported assessment tools and evidence based cognitive-behavioral and pharmacological interventions. Of special practical note, the authors of these chapters have included comprehensive summary tables that can serve as quick reference tools. The final section of the text is dedicated to understanding how anxiety manifests in two special populations, children with chronic medical illnesses and those with autism spectrum disorders. *Pediatric Anxiety Disorders: A Clinical Guide* is an authoritative new volume developed by a renowned collection of clinicians and researchers in the field of childhood anxiety disorders. An international team of psychiatrists and psychologists review the most recent developments in the treatment and assessment of anxiety disorders in the young. Childhood anxiety disorders represent one of the most common psychological disorders found among the general population. They can be serious, distressful, and functionally impairing, so much so that there has been an explosion of interest in their treatment, primarily from pharmacological and cognitive-behavioral perspectives. Addressing these perspectives is the Second Edition of *Child Anxiety Disorders*. Beidel and Alfano pay close attention to new pharmacological and psychological interventions as well as multi-center trials that compare single and combined treatment modalities. Additionally, they include new case studies, sections on stability of childhood fears and the longitudinal course of anxiety disorders, and a new chapter on sleep and anxiety disorders. Written on the cusp of newly published information and studies, *Child Anxiety Disorders* is relevant, informative, and indispensable.

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