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and Adolescents  
Guilford Press  
This volume  
provides a state-of-  
the-science review  
of knowledge on  
bipolar disorder in  
children, covering  
all aspects of theory  
and research.  
Leading clinical  
researchers address  
such topics as  
epidemiology,  
diagnosis and  
assessment,  
comorbidity, and  
outcomes.  
Compelling findings  
are presented on  
the neurobiological  
and genetic bases of  
the disorder.  
Throughout,  
contributors  
identify promising  
directions for  
further investigation  
while weighing in

methodological  
questions and areas  
of controversy.  
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million  
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suffer an  
episode of  
depression or  
mania during  
their lifetimes,  
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the essential  
resource. Since  
its first  
publication in  
1987, it has  
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book most often  
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that patients and  
their families  
need to  
participate  
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featuring all-new  
data on the  
latest drugs,  
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includes a frank  
discussion of  
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therapy in the era of managed care.

## **Prescriber's Guide – Children and Adolescents**

Child Heroes

Publishing

From the "New York

Times"-bestselling author of "Manic: A Memoir" comes a gripping and eloquent account of the awakening and unfolding of Cheney's bipolar disorder.

What Works for Bipolar Kids Guilford Press

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this new edition is sure to continue to light the way.

*The Bipolar Teen*  
W. W. Norton & Company  
Now completely revised (over 90% new), this definitive practitioner reference and course text comprehensively reviews evidence-based treatments for psychological disorders in children and adolescents. The significantly expanded fourth edition covers an increased number of disorders, as well as transdiagnostic issues and public health concerns. Psychosocial,

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pharmacological, and complementary therapies are identified and described in well-organized chapters that include rich clinical illustrations. Prominent experts address developmental considerations in treatment and offer guidance for tailoring interventions to each child and family's needs. Prior edition title: Treatment of Childhood Disorders, Third Edition, edited by Eric J. Mash and Russell A. Barkley. New to This Edition \*All chapters are new,

reflecting over a decade of clinical and empirical developments. \*Chapters on additional clinical issues: bipolar disorder, suicidal and nonsuicidal self-injury, obsessive-compulsive disorder, infant and toddler problems, posttraumatic stress disorder, coping and emotion regulation, bereavement, early-onset schizophrenia, personality disorders, childhood obesity, and sleep problems. \*Chapters on case conceptualization and evidence-

based therapist flexibility. \*Illustrative case examples and transcripts added throughout. \*Updated for DSM-5; every chapter also considers transdiagnostic and dimensional issues. See also the editors' Assessment of Disorders in Childhood and Adolescence, Fifth Edition. Bipolar Kids Guilford Publications Seventeen year-old Jonah Daniels has lived in Verona Cove, California, his whole life, and only one thing has ever changed: his

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father used to be alive, and now he is not. With a mother lost in a deep bout of depression, Jonah and his five siblings struggle to keep up their home and the restaurant their dad left behind. But at the start of summer, a second change rolls in: Vivi Alexander, the new girl in town. Vivi is in love with life. Charming and unfiltered, she refuses to be held down by the medicine she's told should make her feel better. After meeting Jonah, she slides into the Daniels' household seamlessly,

winning over each sibling with her imagination and gameness. But it's not long before Vivi's zest for life begins to falter. Soon her adventurousness becomes all-out danger-seeking. Through each high and low, Vivi and Jonah's love is put to the test . . . but what happens when love simply isn't enough?

*Survival Strategies for Parenting Children with Bipolar Disorder*  
Jay Carter  
A veteran clinical psychologist exposes why doctors, teachers, and

parents incorrectly diagnose healthy American children with serious psychiatric conditions. In recent years there has been an alarming rise in the number of American children and youth assigned a mental health diagnosis. Current data from the Centers for Disease Control reveal a 41 percent increase in rates of ADHD diagnoses over the past decade and a forty-fold spike in bipolar

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disorder diagnoses. Similarly, diagnoses of autism spectrum disorder, once considered, has increased by 78 percent since 2002. Dr. Enrico Gnaulati, a clinical psychologist specializing in childhood and adolescent therapy and assessment, has witnessed firsthand the push to diagnose these disorders in youngsters. Drawing both on his own clinical experience and on cutting-edge research, with

Back to Normal he has written the definitive account of why our kids are being dramatically over diagnosed—and how parents and professionals can distinguish between true psychiatric disorders and normal childhood reactions to stressful life situations. Gnaulati begins with the complex web of factors that have led to our current crisis. These include questionable education and training practices that cloud mental

health professionals' ability to distinguish normal from abnormal behavior in children, monetary incentives favoring prescriptions, check-list diagnosing, and high-stakes testing in schools. We've also developed an increasingly casual attitude about labeling kids and putting them on psychiatric drugs. So how do we differentiate between a child

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with, say, Asperger's syndrome and a child who is simply introverted, brainy, and single-minded? As Gnaulati notes, many of the symptoms associated with these disorders are similar to everyday childhood behaviors. In the second half of the book Gnaulati tells detailed stories of wrongly diagnosed kids, providing parents and others with information about the developmental,

temperamental, and environmentally driven symptoms that to a casual or untrained eye can mimic a psychiatric disorder. These stories also reveal how nonmedical interventions, whether in the therapist's office or through changes made at home, can help children. Back to Normal reminds us of the normalcy of children's seemingly abnormal behavior. It will give parents of struggling

children hope, perspective, and direction. And it will make everyone who deals with children question the changes in our society that have contributed to the astonishing increase in childhood psychiatric diagnoses. [Practice Guideline for the Treatment of Patients with Bipolar Disorder \(revision\)](#) Harmony Looks at the diagnosis of bipolar disorder in a child. Types of treatment. Causes of the illness. Living and



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coping with bipolar adults, and in disorder.

*Bipolar; The Elements of Bipolar Disorder* Academic Press

From the authors of the classic text *Overcoming Depression*, here is the first book about early-onset bipolar disorder. Bipolar disorder--manic depression--was once thought to be rare in children. Now researchers are discovering that not only can bipolar disorder begin very early in life, but also that it is much more common than ever imagined. Yet the illness is often misdiagnosed or overlooked. Why? Bipolar disorder manifests itself differently in children than in

children there is an overlap of symptoms with other childhood psychiatric disorders. As a result, these kids may be given any number of psychiatric labels: ADHD, Depressed, Oppositional Defiant Disorder, Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder, or Separation Anxiety Disorder. Too often they are treated with stimulants or antidepressants--medications that can actually worsen the bipolar condition. *The Bipolar Child* demystifies this disorder of childhood. Drawing upon recent advances in the fields of neuroscience and genetics, the

Papoulos convey what is known and not known about the illness. They comprehensively detail the diagnosis, tell how to find good treatment and medications, and advise parents about ways to advocate effectively for their children at school. Included in these pages is the first Individual Education Plan--IEP--ever published for a bipolar child. The book also offers critical information about the stages of adolescence, hospitalization, the world of insurance, and the psychological impact the illness has on the child. *The Bipolar Child* is rich with the voices of parents, siblings,

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and the children themselves, opening up the long-closed world of the families struggling with this condition. An invaluable resource for parents whose children suffer from mood disorders, as well as the professionals who treat and educate them, this book will prove to have major public health significance. From the Hardcover edition.

*When We Collided*  
Yearling

Children living in poverty are more likely to have mental health problems, and their conditions are more likely to be severe. Of the approximately 1.3 million children who were recipients of Supplemental

Security Income (SSI) disability benefits in 2013, about 50% were disabled primarily due to a mental disorder. An increase in the number of children who are recipients of SSI benefits due to mental disorders has been observed through several decades of the program beginning in 1985 and continuing through 2010. Nevertheless, less than 1% of children in the United States are recipients of SSI disability benefits for a mental disorder. At the request of the Social Security Administration, *Mental Disorders and Disability Among Low-Income Children* compares

national trends in the number of children with mental disorders with the trends in the number of children receiving benefits from the SSI program, and describes the possible factors that may contribute to any differences between the two groups. This report provides an overview of the current status of the diagnosis and treatment of mental disorders, and the levels of impairment in the U.S. population under age 18. The report focuses on 6 mental disorders, chosen due to their prevalence and the severity of disability attributed to those disorders within the SSI disability

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program: attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder, oppositional defiant disorder/conduct disorder, autism spectrum disorder, intellectual disability, learning disabilities, and mood disorders. While this report is not a comprehensive discussion of these disorders, *Mental Disorders and Disability Among Low-Income Children* provides the best currently available information regarding demographics, diagnosis, treatment, and expectations for the disorder time course - both the natural course and under treatment.

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**Adolescent Has an Anxiety Disorder**  
iUniverse  
Offers a guide to the nature of bipolar disorder, discussing symptoms, treatment, and the factors that complicate its diagnosis.

**Bipolar Disorder**  
National Geographic Books  
NAMED ONE OF THE BEST KIDS BOOKS OF THE YEAR by NPR • New York Public Library • JUNIOR LIBRARY GUILD SELECTION • GOODREADS CHOICE AWARDS  
For readers who enjoyed *Wonder* and *Counting by 7's*, award-winning author Donna Gephart crafts a compelling story about two

remarkable young people: Lily, a transgender girl, and Dunkin, a boy dealing with bipolar disorder. Their powerful journey, perfect for fans of *Wonder*, will shred your heart, then stitch it back together with kindness, humor, bravery, and love. Lily Jo McGrother, born Timothy McGrother, is a girl. But being a girl is not so easy when you look like a boy. Especially when you're in the eighth grade. Dunkin Dorfman, birth name Norbert Dorfman, is dealing with bipolar disorder and has just moved from the New Jersey town he's called home for the past thirteen years. This would be hard

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enough, but the fact that he is also hiding from a painful secret makes it even worse. One summer morning, Lily Jo McGrother meets Dunkin Dorfman, and their lives forever change.

*Bipolar Disorder in Childhood and Early Adolescence*  
CRC Press

It may be hard to believe your child will ever get better, but kids with bipolar disorder can and do lead healthy, stable lives. In this compassionate and optimistic book, expert clinician and renowned researcher Mani Pavuluri delivers information, advice, and proven strategies that empower you to deal with the

challenges of bipolar disorder and help your child get well. Drawing on 20 years of experience with bipolar kids and their families, she provides solidly researched strategies for reducing or eliminating problems with mania, aggression, sleep disturbances, depression, and other issues. You'll discover practical ways to handle crises at home and in school, work with professionals to find an effective combination of medicine and psychotherapy, and cultivate a supportive community of friends and peers for your child. Dr. Pavuluri also helps you deal with the

stress that comes with parenting, so you can maintain your poise, focus on the positive, and be a powerful advocate for your child.

Winner--American Journal of Nursing Book of the Year Award

**New Hope for Children and Teens with Bipolar Disorder**

Bloomsbury Publishing USA  
Bipolar Disorder Vulnerability:

Perspectives from Pediatric and High-Risk Populations synthesizes our current understanding of high-risk and pediatric

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populations to aid readers in identifying markers of vulnerability for the development of bipolar disorder, with an ultimate goal of the development of drug targets and other therapies for early diagnosis and treatment. The book provides readers with an understanding of biological and environmental factors influencing disease manifestation that will aid them in defining discrete clinical

stages and, importantly, establish an empirical basis for the application of novel therapeutics in a phase of illness during which specific treatments could more effectively alter disease course. Whereas most of the literature available on the pathophysiologic mechanisms of bipolar disorder focuses on chronically ill adult individuals, this represents the only book that specifically examines

pediatric and high-risk populations. An estimated 30 to 60 percent of adult bipolar disorder patients have their disease onset during childhood, with early-onset cases representing a particularly severe and genetically loaded form of the illness. **Mental Disorders and Disabilities Among Low-Income Children** Da Capo Lifelong Books Once considered an adult illness, bipolar disorder

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is one of the fastest growing categories in child psychiatry, touching the lives of an estimated one million children. But often it goes misdiagnosed, and kids can be prescribed medication that only worsens the condition. With her twenty-five years' experience, child psychiatrist Rosalie Greenberg offers parents and professionals alike an innovative approach to help bipolar youngsters

locate that elusive inner calm. Gathering stories from families on the front lines, she shows parents how best to navigate the peaks and valleys of the disorder, addresses family relationships, and guides parents in making meaningful choices about their child's education and treatment options. A masterful book that recognizes the brilliance and creativity in bipolar kids, it

will give hope that every child can, with the proper interventions, lead a full, productive life. *The Dark Side of Innocence* Oxford University Press, USA  
If your teen has been diagnosed with bipolar disorder--or your child's moods seem out of control--Dr. David Miklowitz can help. The bestselling author of *The Bipolar Disorder Survival Guide* has tailored his proven treatment approach to meet the specific needs of teens and their families. *The Bipolar Teen*

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provides practical tools you can use to make home life manageable again. You'll learn to spot the differences between normal teenage behavior and the telltale symptoms of mania and depression. Together with your child's doctors, you'll be able to strike a healthy balance between medication and psychotherapy, recognize and respond to the early warning signs of an oncoming episode, and collaborate effectively with school personnel. Like no other

resource available, this powerful book delivers ways to manage chaos and relieve stress so everyone in your family--including siblings--can find stability, support, and peace of mind. *Bipolar Not ADHD* JHU Press Approaching depression as a complex disorder with many different facets rather than all-or-nothing. Now available in paperback with an updated preface. Depression confuses the mind, strips away hope, and causes people to blame themselves for an illness they never asked for. This book presents a

revolutionary new understanding of the concept of depression and offers readers skills and strategies to manage it. No longer is this a one-size-fits-all diagnosis, and antidepressants are no longer the one-size-fits-all treatment. Mood disorders are now seen to form a spectrum of problems, from common depression on one end to full bipolar disorder on the other. In between these extremes are multitudes of people who are on the middle of the mood spectrum, and this book is for them. The first part of the book helps readers answer the question, "Where

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am I on the mood spectrum?" By laying the foundation for understanding this spectrum, Aiken and Phelps highlight the key distinctions that define unipolarity, bipolarity, hypomania, mania, and depression. Readers will be able to discern which definition best fits their experience, and use this understanding to learn which treatment methods will work best. The authors also empower readers to look beyond antidepressants. They walk readers through new medications for the mood spectrum, and offer a guide to non-medication treatments that

anyone can use on their own, from diet and lifestyle changes to natural supplements. The book also discusses other innovative technologies that can aid in recovery, including dawn simulators, mood apps, and blue-light filters. This thoughtful and beneficial book will offer readers skills and strategies, as well as hope, in the face of debilitating mental challenges.

**Freeing Your Child from Obsessive Compulsive Disorder**

American Psychiatric Pub

For those families dealing with children suffering from

depression and mania, science reporter and writer Raeburn's memoir serves as a cautionary tale and an invaluable resource on the diseases and the various drugs and therapies available to ease the inner torment.

[Bipolar Disorder Demystified](#) Da Capo Press

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*The Bipolar Child (Third Edition)* National Academies Press  
“Hurry Down Sunshine is about tenacity and tenderness...but mostly it’s about

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love.” —OPRAH WINFREY AN AMAZON BEST BOOK OF THE MONTH PICK This international bestseller is an extraordinary family story and an exceptionally powerful memoir about coping with bipolar disorder, now with a new afterword for the ten-year anniversary edition. Michael Greenberg recounts in vivid detail the remarkable summer when, at the age of fifteen, his daughter was struck mad. It begins with

Sally's sudden visionary crack-up on the streets of Greenwich Village, and continues, among other places, in the out-of-time world of a Manhattan psychiatric ward during the city's sweltering summer. It is a tale of a family broken open, then painstakingly, movingly stitched together again. Greenberg's unforgettable cast of characters includes an unconventional psychiatrist, an Orthodox Jewish

patient, a manic Classics professor, a movie producer, and a landlord with literary aspirations. Unsentimental, nuanced, and deeply humane, *Hurry Down Sunshine* is essential reading in the literature of affliction with such classics as *Girl, Interrupted* and *An Unquiet Mind*.