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Restorative Youth Justice

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Restorative Transformation

Youth Justice

Integrated Youth Support

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How restorative justice is steering young offenders away from crime

An alternative to court has reduced reoffending rates, prevented young offenders from getting a criminal record and freed up £2m to reinvest in preventive services

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Integrated Youth Support

Young people are different!

At risk young people are different again

<u>Services need to be:</u>

One stop shop / No wrong door

Relationship-based

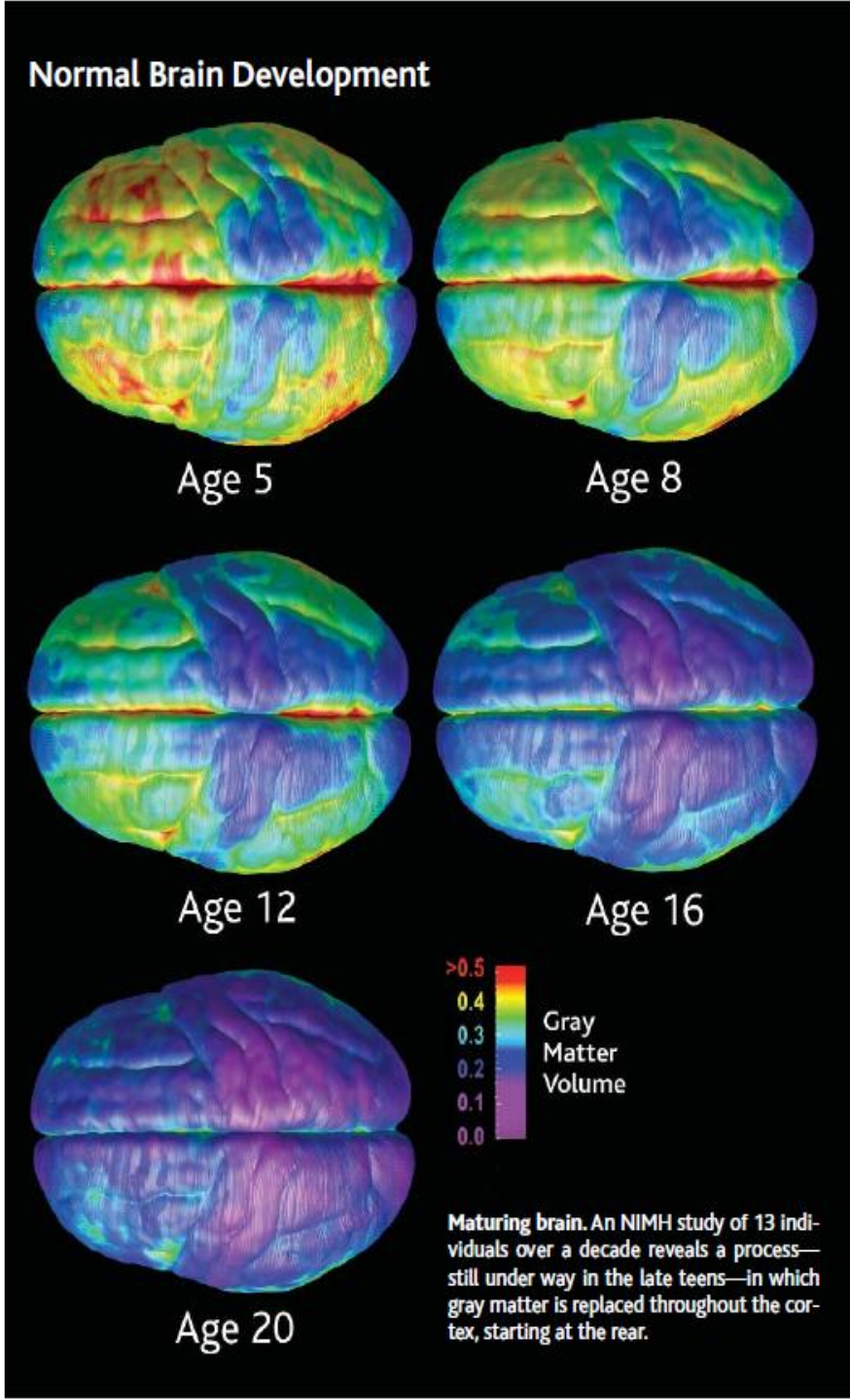
Multi-disciplinary

Provide coping strategies / promote resilience

Co-produced

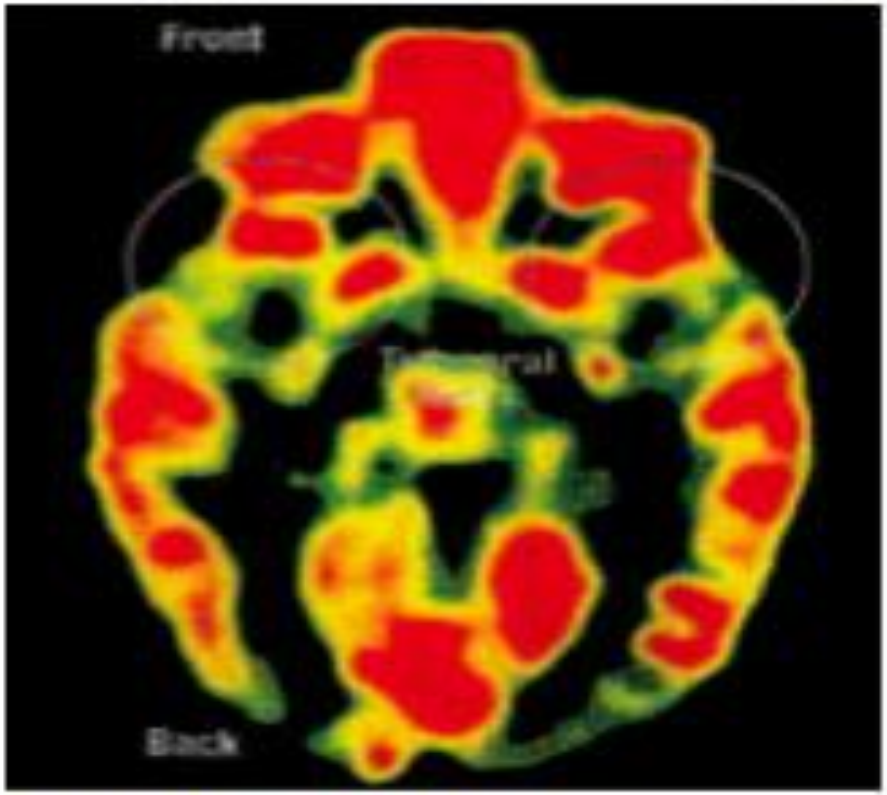
Assertive / outreach

YP friendly

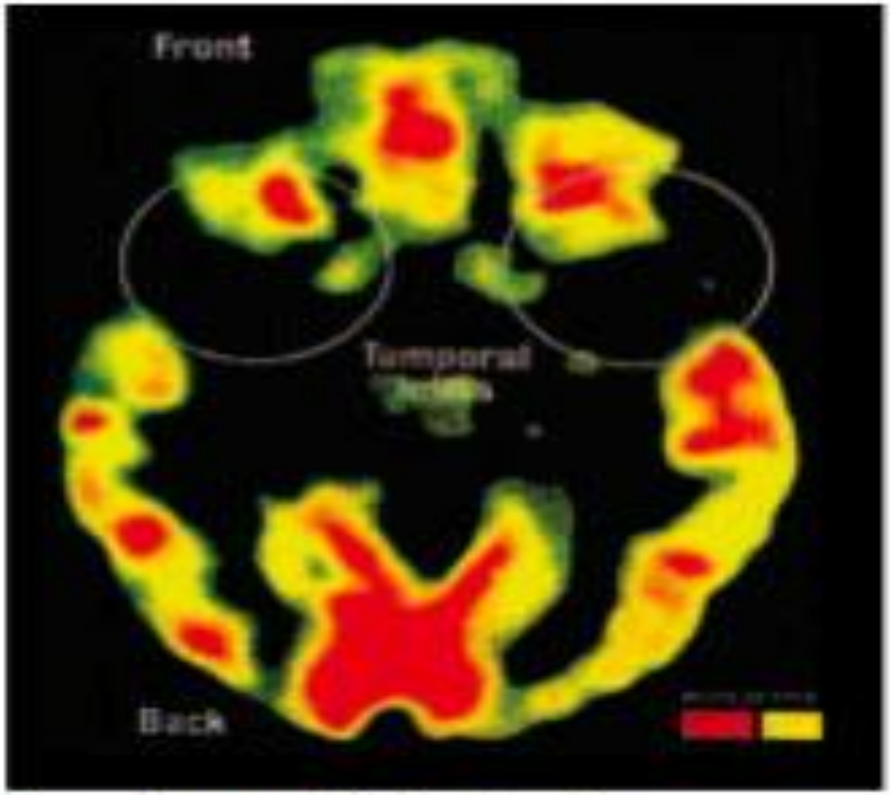


Too much fear and not enough love damages children's brains

Comparison of the Developing Brain



Healthy Development



Development Affected by Environmental Stress

Source: Dr. H. T. Chugani, *Newsweek*, Spring/Summer 1997 Special Edition: "Your Child: From Birth to Three," pp 30-31.

Developing a restorative approach to youth justice

- Why?
- Outcomes (FTE, victims, re-offending, VFM)
- Leadership
- Partnership
- Stakeholder involvement
- Values

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The Youth Restorative Intervention (YRI)

- What is it?
- Who is it for?
- When is it used / how often?
- Positive outcomes externally evaluated

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The Success of Restorative YJ

- 85-90% victim satisfaction
- 1000 YP's pa without a criminal record
- 62% drop in use of court orders
- 18% reduction in re-offending
- 93% fewer first time entrants
- £2m saved by YSS per year re-invested in preventative services

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A Restorative Surrey

- Schools, care services, criminal justice and beyond
- Restorative organisations
- Restorative leadership
- Transformed public services

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Lessons?

- Do the right things!
- *If at first we don't succeed.....*
- Together...restoratively
- Humility
- Culture